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RADNOR 2011 CANDIDATES FOR SCHOOL BOARD QUALIFIED TO LEAD—DEDICATED TO SUCCEED

Dear Radnor Residents,

Election day, Tuesday, November 8th, is fast approaching. This year, you have an important opportunity to cast a vote that will have significant impact on the future of our schools. There are five seats up for election on the Radnor Township School Board. Electing school board officials is one of the most significant ways you, the taxpayer, can have a direct say in how your tax dollars are spent.

Our opponents are saying “this is not a popularity contest.” We couldn’t agree more. This is an election about **qualifications and effective leadership**. This election is **critical** because it is our schools that have the most to lose, not a party or an individual. Our schools need leaders who have demonstrated commitment and involvement at all levels, from our PTOs and District-wide initiatives to regular attendance at School Board meetings; leaders who have raised more alternative funding in the last two years than the Republican-controlled board has in the last decade; leaders who bring professional expertise to the job; and, leaders who are already engaged and clearly understand the issues facing our schools.

When deciding who to elect, we ask that you consider what we have lost and what we stand to lose. Working within the Act 1 Index, we must thoughtfully address critical issues that impact school quality including:

- Effective integration of technology in the classroom
- Meaningful professional development for teachers and staff
- Reduction of paraprofessionals and instructional support personnel
- Increased workload on guidance services
- Formalized class size guidelines
- Modernized science, technology, engineering and math offerings

How have losses in these areas impacted our students and teachers? How have they affected our schools’ ability to prepare our students for the future? These are questions that cannot be ignored.

We hope you will consider these questions when voting on November 8th and encourage you to **choose candidates who have the experience and expertise** to carefully balance the needs of our schools, teachers and students, while also managing the significant investment all taxpayers make in our schools.

Sincerely,
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About the Candidates...



Lisa A. Borowski

A Radnor High School Class of '84 graduate, Lisa is committed to enhancing Radnor's educational opportunities and challenging the District to move beyond the status quo. With 20-years experience in non-profit communications/marketing and development, Lisa is a proponent for improving dialogue between the School District and the community, supports implementing a strategy that identifies and seeks alternative funding and advocates taking an active role in addressing State legislative decisions that affect public education. Lisa served as President for both the Ithan Elementary and Radnor Middle Schools' PTOs, is actively engaged in School Board Business and Committee Meetings, currently serves on the Executive Board for the Radnor Educational Foundation and is a member of the Radnor Township School District Communications Committee. She is also a founding member of the Radnor Alumni Council, a group committed to engaging and cultivating alumni support.

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Eric Budin

Eric brings 20+ years of business experience to address the financial and strategic issues RTSD faces. Eric is Vice President of Business Development for Comcast, where he works on strategic planning and external partnerships. This role requires the same balancing of budgets, evaluating business cases, negotiating, and creating new revenue needed to successfully steward our District. Eric has held a series of leadership positions at early-stage companies, including founding more.com, which was a top ten ecommerce site. Eric helped found Full Circle Fund, which has raised over \$5M to invest in key social issues, including education. Eric moved back to the area in 2003 with his wife and two daughters (who attend RES) largely because of the great schools and wants to ensure their continued excellence. Eric has a B.A. in economics from Michigan and an MBA from Stanford.

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Kimm Doherty

Kimm is both passionate and knowledgeable about high quality curriculum. She holds a B.A. in Elementary Education and an M.A. in Educational Psychology, which focuses on the intersection between curriculum and motivation. A certified teacher with ten years experience in public schools, Kimm understands both the constraints and the possibilities of public education. As the mother of four children who have attended Radnor schools since 1997, Kimm has volunteered in numerous ways -- through the PTOs, Radnor Educational Foundation, Radnor PAGE, RTSD Strategic Planning and the League of Women Voters. Currently an educational consultant and regular participant in RTSD Curriculum Committee meetings, Kimm believes that strong curricular offerings are the lifeblood of great schools.

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Sheila G. Palmer

Sheila is qualified, invested and engaged. She worked in corporate banking for ten years with a specialization in Education, Healthcare and Not-for-Profit Finance. During her two terms as the Radnor Elementary School PTO president, she managed a fundraising effort that provided over \$80,000 in technology and curricular support to RES with an additional \$30,000 in reserves for future efforts. She is on the Radnor Educational Foundation Grants and Strategic Planning Committees. She is also an active member of the RTSD Communications Committee. She will use her expertise to develop and execute a clear academic vision for our school district; identify and prioritize District needs; and strike the right balance between tax dollars and alternative funding resources. Sheila will uphold the importance of collaborating with and communicating to all members of our community on all of our endeavors.

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Eric Zajac

Eric was first elected to the School Board in 2005. He has been a member of the Finance Committee for six years and has served on most of the Board's Committees. In 2010, he was the Board Vice-President. He currently serves as the Chairperson of the Policy Committee. He has been directly involved in the budgeting process, the writing of Board policies, the hiring of administrators, and the negotiation of labor contracts. He supported the move to taping and playing back committee meetings, has pushed for lower taxes, and has argued for a complete curriculum audit. He has earned a reputation for being an accessible, responsive, and effective Board leader. Eric lives with his wife Jennifer and their three daughters in Villanova. He is an attorney.

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VOTE NOVEMBER 8th!