

**Mellanie Page** is a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) with education and experience supporting children with behavioral challenges. She has worked directly as a clinician with children diagnosed with ADHD & Autism for over a decade. She's extended that experience and obtained her MBA in order to understand and improve organizational operations. She currently serves as EVP of Operations at a behavioral health company, supporting the workflows, procedures, and culture of the organization. This unique and blended experience positions her to contribute meaningfully to our students' experience,

the operations of the school, and the sustaining culture that attracts and retains families. Finally, and most importantly, Mellanie is a mother of three children at Vista and is invested in their future. She's volunteered on the school's community council for two terms and has learned what kind of experience teachers and parents are seeking for their students. She has committed to diligently serving their needs for the greater benefit of the school.

## Mellanie's Skills and Experience:

I am a leadership facilitator and appreciate opportunities to learn from others. My goal is to listen to families and represent their needs and desires. I am trained in organizational change management and believe that communication, collaboration, and interest in others brings about the best decisions. It's also not enough to make the right decisions - my skills allow me to bring others along on the decision-making process in order to increase their buy-in and excitement about changes. Listening and responding to feedback is critical and I believe my experience personally and professionally has allowed me to exercise these talents. I am also naturally strategic and pride myself in finding creative ways to solve problems. From fundraising to marketing to increasing parent engagement and improving academic outcomes, I know that I can help identify ways to support our personnel and make our great school even better.

## Relevant Community Experience and/or Employment:

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## Why am I running as a board member:

I have three children at Vista and I'm invested in their future. I have the experience, skills, and ability to contribute meaningfully to the Board and to the school's future. I have been in clinical and operational roles, preparing me to observe and advise with a balanced perspective. I have a vested interest in seeing all the children at Vista receive every benefit and opportunity we can offer.

## Areas of expertise that demonstrate how I will contribute:

I believe I can support the roll out of changes, inform the marketing of the school's benefits, advise on systems and strategies to support all learner types, effectively engage families and students, and generally enhance the educational experience. I've also worked on business development teams and believe I can advise Vista personnel in doing more strategic fundraising that can support the school's growth and the benefits we offer. I've also worked in school settings to consult on behavior and believe there are systematic changes we can make that would increase positive behavior throughout the school and enhance the learning environment.