



Kim Hainline

My name is Kim Hainline. I previously served two terms as an advisory board member, two of those years as president. I came back aboard this year because I like to be involved in the decisions made at my children's school. Advisory Board is a been a great way to do this!

I currently teach a combination of first, second, and third grade at Garfield Montessori Magnet School here in Decatur. I have taught at this level for twenty years. I have a Bachelor's Degree in elementary education from Eastern Illinois University, a Master's Degree in education from Loyola College in Baltimore, Maryland, and am a graduate of the Montessori Institute of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

I taught for the first five years of my career at a private Montessori school in the south suburbs of Chicago. I have been teaching in Decatur for fifteen years and have just started my sixteenth year. As someone who has been a part of education in both the private and public sector, I bring experience from these two different worlds. I want to help the advisory board face the challenges that small private schools face and keep current with trends in public education.

I chose to keep teaching after my children were born because it is one of the most important jobs in the world. I greatly appreciate the wonderful staff at St. Patrick's School. Giving my children the gift of faith is extremely important to me. I feel that St. Patrick's School is an excellent place to send them for this reason.