



PROFILE

RENEE WILSON - ECASB President



"Although I have served on the Cheektowaga CSD School Board for over 15 years, I am also proud to serve on the Erie 1 BOCES Board because I am a graduate of the LPN program at the Potter Road campus. My training at BOCES has led to a wonderful career as a nurse after further completing studies at Trocaire College."

Renee Wilson has served as the Vice President of the Erie County Association of School Boards for the past two years and has been instrumental in the reorganization of the leadership at ECASB. Renee brings to the Presidency quite a bit of experience with ECASB as she has served on the Delegate Assembly, Budget and Finance Committee, and the Legislative Team. She has attended numerous events sponsored by ECASB and has been awarded the Rising Star, Shining Star and Medallion Awards. In 2016, Renee was awarded the Laura Burns Advocacy for Children Award at the Annual Dinner Meeting.

Renee fully understands the role of a Board Member in a district as she has served on numerous committees to include the CDEP Committee, the District Safety Committee, the Health and Wellness Policy Committee, and the Code of Conduct Committee. Prior to her board service, Renee was both the PTA and PTSA President and Vice President for over 10 years and organized many Kids Voting Programs and After Prom Parties at the high school. Renee ran for her local school board because she wanted to make a difference in the school, the community and the school family. Renee is a Meals on Wheels volunteer and a Team Leader for Meal Ministry. She enjoys listening to the concerns of the community members as well as educating them on school board issues both on the local level but the state and federal level as well. Renee later ran for the Erie 1 BOCES Board of Education because she realized the benefit of BOCES through personal experience. Renee, after attending the LPN BOCES Program furthered her education at Trocaire College where she obtained a Nursing Degree.

Renee has been a member of the Cheektowaga community for over 30 years. She has been married to her husband Bob for 24 years and they have two children who are both graduates of the Cheektowaga CSD. Her son Russell is a graduate of Niagara University with a Bachelor's degree in English and Theatre Performance and Design and a Master's Degree in English Education. Her daughter Taylor has a Bachelor's degree in Fashion Design and Business Merchandising from Buffalo State College, and will attend LIM fashion school in New York City in the fall of 2020 to earn a Master's Degree in Fashion Merchandising. Her daughter Taylor attended BOCES just like Renee did, however for Fashion Merchandising.

When Renee and her family are not busy with school, she enjoys taking the dogs Mo and Jazy to the Losson Town Park for a walk on the many nature trails and attending concerts at the band shelter at the Cheektowaga Town Park. My goal is to continue to build on the strength of ECASB so that they can provide board members with the much needed Professional Development to serve their district. The advocacy efforts of ECASB continue to bring about positive change to public education. Without the strength of the ECASB organization, we are just 30 different school districts working within a silo working with a single legislator in Albany that will result in little change.

My favorite quote is "The purpose of life is to not be happy, it is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to make some difference in another persons life". My parents taught me to have a great work ethic, to respect others, and to NEVER give up HOPE. I HOPE to be the inspiration to others.