

Meet your KSD school trustees

Jennifer Olinyk - Ward 3 (Rall's Island-Wanless)



Jennifer was born and raised in the Swan River Valley, and graduated from SVRSS. She was enrolled in the vocational program of cosmetology, which allowed her to be a licensed hairdresser upon completing Grade 12. Her vision was to one day use this education working at a funeral home.

Jennifer and husband Verne have lived in The Pas for over 30 years. They have raised a daughter and a son, and both children have graduated from MBCI. They also have three grandchildren, one who lives in The Pas and attends school in the Kelsey School Division.

Jennifer had worked in healthcare for over twenty years and had many leadership roles within the system. She earned a certificate in Management Development. In 2014 she fulfilled her vision, graduating from The Canadian College of Funeral Directors. Jennifer continues to hold a funeral director's license in Manitoba.

She has recently taken on a pre-retirement temporary job at Canada Post. Jennifer is also the business owner of her ladies clothing shop, Northern Skies With Jen.

Jennifer has continued to be a school trustee since first elected in Ward 3 in 2002. Jennifer currently chairs the Transportation Committee, and is a member of two Board committees: Community Liaison and Policy.

"We need to ensure our schools are sensitive and responsible to the community we serve," she says. "I want to ensure that our school system can excel, be worthy and responsive to the needs of all students in our community. For students to be successful in the world, they need the support of our community."

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