



THE WILSON SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Overview & Purpose:

The Wilson School Board of Trustees has three main roles:

- Fiduciary: Oversight and assessment of the school mission and finances
- Strategic: Focused on multi-year planning
- Generative: Develop and share a vision for the future of the school

The Wilson Head of School (HOS) and Administrative Staff lead the day-to-day operations of the school. The board is not involved in decisions regarding student admission, student discipline, or faculty and staff hiring and evaluation. The board hires and appoints the HOS, evaluates HOS performance annually, and partners with the HOS to help deliver the Wilson School's mission.

Board Structure:

The Wilson School board operates via a committee structure. There are eight standing committees:

- Advancement
- Buildings and Grounds
- Excellence
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Executive
- Finance
- Strategic Planning
- Trustee Affairs

The board appoints sub-groups and ad hoc committees as needed to address topics such as Tuition Assistance, Investments, and Technology.

The full board normally meets nine times during the year. Typically, committees meet monthly during the school year. Their agenda is set by our long-range plan, direction from the Executive Committee, and emerging needs of the school. The committees make policy recommendations for consideration by the entire board. All policy decisions and major capital expenditures are discussed and voted on by the entire board.

In addition to trustees, meetings are attended by our Head of School, School Administrators, and Parents' Association President. Emeritus Trustees are also welcomed.

Board of Trustees Membership:

The board is diverse and can have up to 20 members. It is our goal to have representation on the board from parents of current students, parents of alumni, grandparents of existing students, alumni, and the community at large. Trustees may serve two three-year terms. Currently, the board has 18 members, as well as eleven emeritus trustees.

The board is self-perpetuating. Each year it recruits a new class of members to replace those retiring or whose term of service is expiring. New members are sought to represent a variety of constituencies, viewpoints, and talent sets. The board keeps a sharp focus on discerning the ability of prospective members to be stewards of Wilson into the future.

Interested in getting involved?

The board is always looking for dedicated parent volunteers to serve on board committees. Many of our current members were appointed as trustees after volunteering on these committees. Please contact the Trustee Affairs Committee Chairs for more information.