



PATTI ORTIZ FOR VICE PRESIDENT

I am Head of Data Analytics at Elsevier, an education technology company. I'm the proud parent of Nina, a first grader here, and together with my husband, Charles, we love exploring new cultures through travel and cuisine. My professional background in data-driven EdTech, combined with my personal investment in our children's educational success and wellness, motivates my desire to contribute positively to the McKinley community. Looking forward to the possibility of contributing to our children's bright futures!

**VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE
AT THE ANNUAL PTO MEETING
MAY 2, 2024, 7:00PM
IN THE LIBRARY**



The MCKINLEY PTO

Board Candidates

Vice President Candidates

(2 Open Positions)

Patti Ortiz

Lisa Torres

Treasurer Candidates

(1 Open Position)

Elizabeth Anastasio

Tia Barnhardt

Brent Cantrell

I am a proud McKinley mom of 1st grader Jonathan, and future dragon, Benjamin. I joined the PTO last year, and I quickly became interested in becoming more involved after seeing everything the PTO works hard to achieve for all the children and their families at McKinley. In fact at the very first PTO meeting I attended I was so excited for all the events the PTO hosts throughout the year, I thought what can I bring to the table, and came home and told my husband I want to make him the 'resident' DJ at McKinley, and now we have DJ Apex, also a McKinley dad, getting the PTO parties started. I volunteered the last 2 years to co-chair the VIP dance, and I had a great experience planning for this event, but I enjoyed even more the sense of accomplishment, and working along with other amazing dedicated PTO members to host this event for the McKinley community to enjoy, Although, I keep busy working from home as a nurse, and mom of course, it is my hope to be an active member of the McKinley PTO for years to come. It would be my honor to serve as one the Vice Presidents for the McKinley PTO and to make the time spent here a time to remember for all.

LISA TORRES FOR VICE PRESIDENT





ELIZABETH ANASTASIO FOR TREASURER

I'm excited to announce my candidacy for Treasurer. I have a second grader, Michael, and two girls: Gemma, who will be a Kindergartener in the fall, and three-year-old Charlotte. Though not an accountant by trade, I've been around numbers my whole life. I studied meteorology in college (though I was never interested in being on TV), currently work as a project manager for a software development team, and recently earned a Masters in Education with a focus on math and science. I get genuine joy out of maintaining my family's budget, and I look forward to bringing that energy to McKinley! I love listening to and making music - I'm a singer, handbell player and tap dancer. And I love all sorts of puzzles. Escape rooms are my happy place! I'm passionate about STEM education and building community, and I'm excited to meet you and continue to strengthen our community. I hope to be able to serve you well as the next McKinley PTO Treasurer.

TIA BARNHARDT FOR TREASURER



I have two littles, Aurora, who started Kindergarten at McKinley this year, and Arianna who is currently six months old. I'm the GM of Iron Hill Brewery and Restaurant in Huntingdon Valley and can often be found running around the restaurant. In my free time, we love spending time outside and doing everything from jumping in puddles to taking walks. Attending Abington High School myself and being a part of the local community in my person and professional career, has been guiding me towards being more involved in the PTO and lending a helping hand in any way that I can. Thank you for your time and consideration.

I am thrilled to express my interest in serving as the Treasurer for the McKinley Parent-Teacher Organization. As a parent and advocate for our school community, I am committed to ensuring the success and sustainability of our organization's financial endeavors. With over a decade of experience in financial management and budgeting, including my current role as VP of Performance Operations at United Healthcare, I bring a wealth of expertise to this position. My attention to detail, strategic planning skills, and fiscal responsibility will enable me to effectively manage the PTO's finances, ensuring transparency and accountability along the way. I am excited about the opportunity to work closely with fellow board members, school administrators, and community stakeholders to enhance our fundraising efforts and allocate resources wisely to support McKinley's diverse needs. I am committed to upholding the highest standards of integrity and professionalism in fulfilling the duties of the Treasurer role. With your support, I am confident that together we can make a meaningful and lasting impact on our school community. Thank you for considering my candidacy. I look forward to the opportunity to serve as your Treasurer and contribute to the continued success of our PTO.

BRENT CANTRELL FOR TREASURER

