

## SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE APPLICATION & BACKGROUND

*Note: This information will be released to media personnel and the general public.*

<b>Candidate First &amp; Last Name:</b> Tim Flynn	<b>Home Phone:</b> 507-382-2148
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<b>Place of Employment:</b> Kato Karate	
<b>Children in the District:</b> 2	
<b>Background:</b> Tim Flynn, a dedicated father of five and the owner of Kato Karate, is not just a local business owner but a familiar face in the community. His commitment to child development and his partnership with Greater Mankato United Way's Anti-Bullying committee are inspiring, showing that change is possible when people work together.  Tim has combined his skills to help children navigate their formative years with compassion for others. Tim's teachings focus on children growing physically, intellectually, emotionally, and socially. He teaches kids self-discipline, self-esteem, self-confidence, life skills, anti-bullying, and more.	
<b>1. Explain why you would like to serve on the Mankato Area School Board.</b> I am profoundly dedicated to ensuring the safety and mental well-being of children in our community. My heart is fully invested in supporting children and nurturing their self-confidence and self-esteem. I understand the significant impact that mental health has on their academic performance and overall learning experience.	
<b>2. How can you contribute to a successful school board?</b> I deeply care about implementing policies that help students and parents feel secure and nurtured in the school environment. I am committed to collaborating within the system to enhance inclusive policies that benefit all.	
<b>3. Is there anything else you would like to share with the School Board?</b> Tim Flynn's advocacy against bullying has not gone unnoticed. The National Martial Arts History Museum in Glendale, CA, recognizes him as one of the Top Advocates to speak against bullying in the country. Tim's partnerships with celebrities and his national podcast, Breaking Bullying <a href="http://www.breakingbullying.com">www.breakingbullying.com</a> have inspired many to see something and say something, to be kinder, more compassionate, and to be better people overall, making him a significant candidate for the Mankato School Board.	
<b>Signature:</b> 	<b>Date:</b> 7-30-2024