

OPEN CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR INTERIM BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER

Saint Paul Public Schools Board of Education Vacancy

The Saint Paul Public Schools Board of Education seeks qualified applicants to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Director Jim Vue.

About This Opportunity

The Board welcomes applications from Saint Paul residents who care about the wellbeing of students and want to give back through public service. The appointed Board member will serve for the remainder of Director Vue's term, which concludes on December 31st, 2026.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for appointment, applicants must:

- Meet the legal requirements to be elected to the Saint Paul Public Schools Board of Education
 - At least 21 years of age
 - Resident of the school district for at least 30 days
 - Have not been convicted of an offense for which registration is required under Minn. Statute Section 243.166
- Not be an employee of Saint Paul Public Schools
- **Not plan to run for election to the school board in the November 2026 election**

Time Commitments

Service on the Saint Paul Public Schools Board of Education requires a significant time commitment, including:

- Two regular Board meetings per month on Tuesday evenings
- An expectation that Tuesday evenings remain available for Board work
- Special meetings scheduled on some evenings and weekends as needed
- Potential committee assignments requiring additional meeting attendance
- Interview at Special Board Meeting on March 10th
- Board Retreat on Saturday, May 30, 2026
- Participation in graduation ceremonies June 1st-3rd

Application Requirements

Interested candidates should submit the following materials to uriah.ward@spps.org:

1. **Resume**

2. **Completed form: SAINT PAUL BOARD OF EDUCATION APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT AS BOARD DIRECTOR**
3. **Letter of Interest** (one to two pages) explaining why you would like to serve and your ability to meet the time commitments of the role
4. **Responses to the following questions** (no more than 500 words each):
 - **Question 1:** Please describe your background and experiences with the Saint Paul community. How would these serve you as a board member?
 - **Question 2:** What experiences have you had serving on either private sector or public sector boards, what was your role, and what were your take-aways from that experience? If you haven't served on a board, what experiences do you have that would prepare you to navigate board service?
 - **Question 3:** Describe your understanding of the decision-making process for the Saint Paul Public Schools Board of Education. How would you react/respond if the majority of the board took an action that you voted against?
 - **Question 4:** What values would guide your work as an interim member of the Saint Paul Public Schools Board of Education?

Under Minnesota Statute 13.601, the following information about applicants is public data: 1) name; 2) city of residence; 3) education and training; 4) employment history; 5) volunteer work; 6) awards and honors; 7) prior government service; and 8) veteran status

Selection Process

The Board's Executive Committee will review all applications and identify two to four finalists based on relevant qualifications, time availability, ability to contribute to Board work, and perspectives that complement the current Board. The full Board will conduct public interviews with all finalists on March 10th before deliberating and voting in that open Board meeting.

Questions?

For questions about this opportunity, please contact uriah.ward@spps.org.

Application Deadline: January 30, 2026