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RCS Community,

One of our Board Members, Katherine Johnston, has resigned from the Rantoul City Schools Board of Education due to relocation. Her term was set to expire in April 2027. Due to this vacancy, the Board must seat a new member by September 18, 2026, and the selected member will serve through April 2027. At that time, the seat will be filled through the regular election process.

The Board is seeking qualified candidates to be considered for appointment. We encourage any interested community members to submit a letter of interest and the attached questionnaire to RCS by Wednesday, August 8, 2026 at noon. You may email your letter and questionnaire to rcsboard@rcs137.org or leave a hard copy at the district's main office. The Board will review all applications and determine which applicants to invite for an interview.

- Based on the number of applicants, the Board may choose not to interview all applicants.
- Applicants will be contacted individually to schedule interviews.
- Interviews will occur during a closed session meeting of the Board.
- After interviews are conducted, the Board anticipates voting to appoint the new member during open session at or before the regularly scheduled September 17, 2026 meeting.

To be a Board member, you must be, on the date of appointment, a US Citizen, at least 18 years of age, a resident of RCS for at least one year immediately prior to the appointment, and a registered voter. Additional qualifications are outlined in [Board Policy 2:40](#). Applicants should show familiarity with the Board's policies regarding general duties and responsibilities of a Board and Board member including fiduciary responsibilities, conflict of interest, ethics and gift ban. These Board policies may be found here in [Board Policy Section 2](#). An additional reference to consider is the [School Board Member Handbook](#).

If you have any questions about this process, you may email rcsboard@rcs137.org or contact individual Board members. Our contact information can be found [here](#).

Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,

Robin Vaughn
Board President

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Board Applicant Questionnaire

1. Are you a U.S. Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No
2. Are you at least 18 years of age? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 - Date of Birth: _____
3. Are you and have you been a resident of Rantoul City School District #137 for at least one year preceding September, 18 2026? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 - Address of residence: _____
4. Are you a registered voter? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Are you a child sex offender? ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. Do you hold another incompatible public office? ☐ Yes ☐ No
7. Do you have a prohibited interest in any contract with RCS? ☐ Yes ☐ No
8. Do you hold any type of prohibited State or federal employment? ☐ Yes ☐ No

In your cover letter, please respond to the following:

1. Why do you want to be a Board member?
2. Describe your previous community and/or non-profit experiences.
3. What do you see as the role of a Board member?