

# Lord Aylmer School



**\*Please note that the below is an example and not the mandatory format. The selection committee will review all applications\***

## EXAMPLE:

### Application for Community Member Seat on School Governing Board

**To:** The Governing Board of Lord Aylmer Elementary

**From:** [Applicant Name]

**Date:** [Insert Date]

**Subject:** Application for Community Member Seat on the School Governing Board

Dear Members of the Governing Board,

I am writing to express my interest in serving as the community member representative on the governing board of Lord Aylmer. As an engaged member of the Aymer/Gatineau community with a deep commitment to fostering strong partnerships between schools and their surrounding environment, I believe I can provide valuable insights to support the board's work.

### Qualifications and Relevant Experience

- **Community Engagement:** [Provide an example, e.g., "I have been an active member of the [City/Town] Community Outreach Organization for five years, working closely with families and local businesses to create programs that benefit youth and support education."]
- **Understanding of Local Needs:** [Example: "Through my work with [Organization/Initiative], I have developed a nuanced understanding of the challenges and opportunities in our area, including access to resources, cultural dynamics, and employment trends."]
- **Bridge Between Communities:** [Example: "I have coordinated initiatives that bring schools and local organizations together, such as career exploration fairs, literacy campaigns, and neighborhood cleanup efforts."]

### Vision for the Role

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I understand that the community member seat is designed to provide additional context and insight into the surrounding school community. My goal in this position would be to:

1. **Provide Perspective:** Share information about broader community initiatives and trends that may inform school decisions.
2. **Foster Collaboration:** Build relationships between the school and community organizations to support mutual goals, such as increasing access to extracurricular opportunities or addressing barriers to student success.
3. **Broaden Perspectives:** Advocate for diverse voices and ensure the board has a holistic view of how school policies and practices align with the needs of the community.

I respect the distinction between this seat and that of a parent/guardian representative. My contributions will focus on enhancing understanding and supporting the school's goals through a community-centered lens, rather than sharing personal opinions about the school's internal functioning.

## Conclusion

I am confident that my experience and dedication to community development would make me a strong asset to the governing board. I am excited about the opportunity to collaborate with you in strengthening the relationship between Lord Aylmer and its community, ensuring that all students benefit from a supportive, connected environment.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the possibility of contributing to the important work of the governing board.

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