

My name is Jordan Lichtenauer and I am running for a seat on USD 290 School Board.

In 2019, my family and I made Ottawa our home. My husband and I are proud parents to two children currently enrolled in the Ottawa District. Our Daughter attends preschool at Garfield Elementary and our son is a sophomore at Ottawa High School. We are invested in this community and its schools.

I am passionate about joining the school board to promote equity in education and to support our dedicated educators who commit themselves to our students every day. I want to ensure our district remains a competitive and appealing choice to students and families. I am also interested in continuing our district's investment in quality early childhood education and comprehensive career development programs for the high school, ensuring that all students have the tools and opportunities they need from first enrollment to their graduation and beyond.

I hold a Bachelor of Science in Communication from Emporia State University. This, combined with my professional experience as a Compliance Specialist, has equipped me with valuable skills for board service. My experience consists of researching and understanding state and federal regulations, effective communication with people from different backgrounds, and an ability to work in partnership on tough projects with solution-based approaches.

I wholeheartedly believe that communities have a responsibility to prepare future generations for an ever-changing world. Supporting our school systems is one of the most impactful and fulfilling ways to meet this responsibility. I am eager to contribute to the continued growth and success of our district.