

Dear Wellsville Community,

Thanks to Layton Real Estate for this opportunity to "meet the candidates."

I'm Sheila Robertson, candidate for position 2 (north). I'm running for the Board of Education because over the next term I will have children in all 3 district schools and believe my work experience in adult education can be of benefit to this role.

Background and Family

I was born and raised in Topeka, graduated KU, and lived in Kansas City and Indiana before moving here in 2009. We chose Wellsville for its small town atmosphere and location midway between our extended family. I have sons at the middle and elementary schools and a toddler daughter. My husband, Jeff, is a chef at Options for Animals (south of town). We are active in scouts, sports, gardening, music, and church.

Education and Experience

I have BA and Master of Public Health degrees from KU. In college I also spent a year at Duke University and studied abroad in Europe. I previously worked at KU Med Center. Since 2001, I've worked at Forefront Collaborative on grants for healthcare education projects. Currently Executive Director, my experience has included collaborating with regional and national organizations, curriculum design and evaluation, budget development and monitoring, accreditation and policy adherence, and more. I've also served on a church finance board, multiple professional committees, and as a presenter at national conferences for continuing education professionals.

Values

I am excited about Wellsville's future! I want to maintain our strong school system, small town benefits, and big heart. If elected, I will:

- Work collaboratively with the board and community to be fiscally frugal without compromising our highest priorities
- Prioritize total student health, valuing the roles nutrition, fitness, music, and social connections play in academic achievement, character development, and overall success
- Value our dedicated educators and low student-to-teacher ratio

I look forward to meeting more of you and serving as a board member. If you have questions or I can be of help, please contact me at sheilakansas@gmail.com or 883-4487.