

Sarah Dettmann – Parent Member

What is your connection to Odyssey Academy?

I have two kids, Jake and Addison, who attend Odyssey Academy. Jake is in third grade with Mrs. Pouliot and Addison is in first grade with Ms. Shellum.

How will your service with other Board Members help fulfill the mission of Odyssey?

I feel that with my experience as a parent, I can help Odyssey Academy create a safe learning environment, which helps each student to become more involved citizens in their own community.

What strengths and skills do you bring to the Odyssey community?

I am a great team player, good at communicating what I feel is important and I will stay focused on student academic achievement or otherwise.

What is your vision of a “nurturing, innovative, and challenging environment that emphasizes independent thinking, active learning, high academic achievement, and social responsibility”?

A place where the students and staff can respect themselves, others and the environment. That each student is responsible for their learning, their actions and their environment. And each student supports other students, families, and staff. Otherwise a well-rounded student who is able to succeed and thrive outside of Odyssey.

How do you see the school administration and Board of Directors working cooperatively to keep alive the vision that started Odyssey?

To be able to keep the vision alive, the school administration and the Board of Directors would need to set examples for the students and staff. For example, creating a supportive environment, developing strong relationships, keeping each other accountable, having compassion for our students and self-discipline.