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Position	Name
President	<u>Lwendo Davis</u>
Vice President - VP to President	Rachel Waldroff
Vice President - VP of Enrollment	Julie Moretti
Secretary	Jessica (Jess) Weiss
Membership	<u>Diana Sisson</u>
Treasurer	Michael (Mike) Guoynes
Class Rep - Pre-K	Mary DeStefano
Class Rep - 3/4s	Peter Gonzalez
Class Rep - 3s	Cory Templeton
Class Rep - 2s	<u>Daniana Lerose</u>

Lwendo Davis

Hi, I'm Lwendo Davis! My husband Carlyle and I, along with our children Amara and Jeremiah, have truly loved being part of the CPNS community. Amara has been at CPNS since the 2s class, and this past year she was in Ms. Robin's Pre-K class while Jeremiah just began his journey in the 2s. We're excited that Jeremiah will be continuing on to the 3s class this coming year!

It's been such a joy to be involved through co-oping and our family jobs, and I've really valued the strong sense of connection and support that defines this community. I'm thrilled to take on a new role this year as President of the Board and look forward to contributing in new ways to help our school continue to thrive.

Looking forward to a wonderful year ahead!



Rachel Waldroff

I'm Rachel Waldroff, mom of Jude Waldroff who is finishing a wonderful year in Ms. Ann's 3s class, and will be entering Ms. Robin's Pre-K class in the fall. My daughter Lydia was in Ms. Robin's Pre-K class in 2021/2022 when CPNS was almost 100% outdoors, and we were so happy to have found the school and the community. We have loved spending time in the classroom this year, and I would love to contribute as a member of the board in the upcoming year.



Julie Moretti

Hello, I am Julie, mom of Asher and Noah, who are currently in Ms Ann's 3s class and moving to the Pre-K class in 2025-26. Our family has loved our time at CPNS and learned so much through co-oping and being a part of the Board! The CPNS school and community has been a great fit for our family and we are so happy to continue supporting and connecting with new and existing families in the upcoming year. I work as a Graphic Designer, have two big dogs, and enjoy biking and running around Hyattsville!



Jessica (Jess) Weiss

Hi, I'm Jessica Weiss (Jess) and next year will be our second year at CPNS. This year Amos has been thriving in Ms. Joanne's 3/4s class. I have loved serving as the school's social media manager and as a co-opper, getting to know and be part of this incredible community. I would love to continue serving CPNS next year in the role of secretary. I look forward to a fantastic year!



Michael (Mike) Guoynes

Hi I'm Mike, my family is proud to be a part of this community. Our son Remi is going into his 2nd year, and we plan to have Rowan join soon! I'm running for treasurer to keep CPNS accessible and to position us in a way that we can continue to provide an exceptional experience for all families. My approach is to be transparent, clear and balanced. Thank you for your consideration and to everyone in this CPNS community for making this a memorable and enjoyable experience!



Diana Sisson

Hi, I'm Diana Sisson and our family will be entering our fifth year at CPNS. Our oldest, Lillian, graduated from CPNS in the Spring of 2024, and our middle child, Pantel, will be entering the Pre-K class in the Fall. This will be my second year filling the Membership Coordinator role. I have also supported the board as a class rep. I have loved getting to know families, teachers, and Board Members over the years. We have always found this community to be supportive, and I look forward to continue supporting our families and schools in the Membership Coordinator role.



Mary DeStefano

Hi, I'm Mary DeStefano, and I live with my husband Jamiyl, son Evan (6), daughter Lena (4), and our two cats in Hyattsville. I am an artist and a PhD student at UMD, and Jamiyl works in politics and government affairs in DC. We were thrilled to learn about CPNS when we moved to Hyattsville, and next year will be our family's fourth year at CPNS. Evan started in Ms. Ann's 3s class and then had PreK with Ms. Robin. And Lena has been lucky enough to have all the teachers, starting with Ms. Ann in the 2s, now she's with Ms. Joanne in the 3/4s, and she is excited to have Ms. Robin next year for PreK. When Evan (now in Kindergarten) was told he could dress up for his favorite teacher for Teacher Appreciation Week, he asked if he could dress up as Ms. Robin - we love CPNS! And I am excited to be more involved in this community next year.



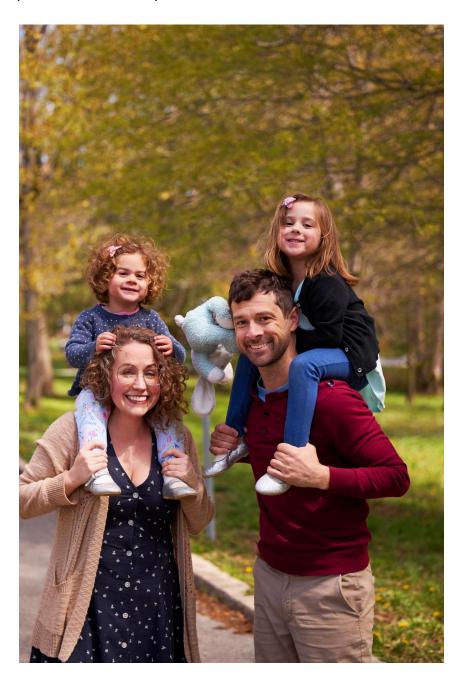
Peter Gonzalez

Hello! My name is Peter Gonzalez and here's a little bit about myself. I am a Maryland native, a veteran, and passionate law enforcement officer. I want to become a class rep because I want to help and be a part of the amazing things this school does. I believe that this school provides great stepping stones for little ones to begin their educational journey!



Cory Templeton

Hi my name is Adelaide's Dad and Oswin's Dad, but some of you may know me as Cory. My family has been at CPNS for the past two years, and I am also the coach of the unofficial CPNS Pre-K soccer team. I love how CPNS builds community and I would love to help facilitate that process as a class rep.



Damiana Lerose

Hi, I'm Damiana Lerose, and I live with my husband Ryan and my son Albert who will start attending the class of 2s in September, so that for the first time we will be part of the CNPS community. We are excited as we have heard great things from our neighbors and friends about CNPS, and look forward to contributing to the community. We moved to University Park two years ago from California, and we loved the welcome and getting to know the community here, hence I hope to continue and expand that as a Board Member. I work as an Engineer building quantum computers and bake bread or play the piano in my spare time.

