

Kirill Kruger- statement supporting Parent/Caregiver Representative nomination

When my daughter started Pre-Primary at MPPS this year, I was struck by how genuinely welcoming this school community felt. With her younger sister joining kindy next year, I find myself thinking about this school as someone with a stake in its long-term direction. That sense of belonging is something I don't take for granted, and it's a large part of why I am nominating for the Parent/Caregiver Representative position.

I work in public policy, with a focus on strategic and regulatory policy for emerging technologies. I am shortly taking up a Principal Advisor role with the WA Department of Justice. Before this, I worked in corporate advisory, ran my own business, and spent several years advising clients on complex regulatory and immigration matters in New Zealand. Across these roles, a consistent thread has been translating complicated frameworks and policy into clear, practical decisions and bringing together diverse stakeholders to get there. These skills sit at the heart of what a school board does: governing thoughtfully, making evidence-informed decisions, and remaining accountable to the community it represents.

I also bring a personal understanding of how learning can look different for different children. As someone diagnosed with ADHD as an adult, I've reflected a great deal on how early environments and support systems shape outcomes in ways that aren't always visible at the time. I would bring that perspective, with care and without assumption, to conversations about student wellbeing and inclusive learning.

My family and I moved from New Zealand to Perth 2 years ago and I know what it means to navigate an unfamiliar system while finding your footing. I have a deep appreciation for communities that make that easier. MPPS' commitment to diversity and inclusion resonates with me personally, and I am committed to helping protect and strengthen that culture.

I am not standing for this role to add a title. I am standing because I want to contribute something real, as a parent, as a professional, and as a member of this community.

I would be grateful for your support.