



Stephanie Strazza

Candidate for Board of Education, New Fairfield

Stephanie is currently on the **New Fairfield Board of Education**.

Stephanie is a 6-year resident of New Fairfield, and a mother of two young children who attend New Fairfield public schools. A strong sense of pride in her community and her passion and expertise in education, is what intrigued her to volunteer for the Board of Education. As a member of the board, she has the opportunity to utilize her personal and career experiences, which gives her the ability to provide insight from multiple perspectives.

Stephanie works as a special education teacher, who serves secondary students with acute and profound disabilities. She has earned a master's degree in music education and is completing a second master's degree in Special education. Additionally, she has worked as an ABA therapist, a music teacher and an early childhood educator.

As a parent and resident, Stephanie has a clear understanding of the monetary concerns of the town, which she has gained through active communication with the community and other town boards. Members of the Board of Education have a difficult responsibility of balancing the mandates of the school district and the needs of the local taxpayers. This is a responsibility that she intends to adhere to while serving the town.

Stephanie firmly believes that "Collaboration and cooperation with town officials, community members and staff is the key to a successful and progressive school system" As a member of the Board of Education, Stephanie plans to assist with district's progression toward student success in the 21st century. She will support the needed physical and curricular changes to ensure that this is possible for all of New Fairfield's students.

Stephanie understands the importance of commitment to the **Board of Education** and its important role in serving all the citizens of New Fairfield.

If elected, Stephanie pledges to:

- Continue to support the curricular and physical updates required to bring New Fairfield Schools to 21st century standards.
- Continue to ensure that the board of education and administrators remain transparent and communicative with the public and all town boards.

About – Stephanie Strazza, continued

- Work to preserve and improve learning opportunities for all students including art, music and special education programs.

“I am committed to providing all of our learners with an education that meets 21st century standards. This includes improvements to our curriculum, facilities, technology, and safety. Progress in these areas will potentially contribute to improvements in overall student/district performance, and success after graduation.”