



**GOVERNANCE BOARD
INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR
CANDIDATE**

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Karla Lindgren



Please describe your background and relevant skills, as well as a few statements regarding your interest in serving on the Board.

As an education attorney working for a charter school network in Denver, I recognize the need charter schools have for strong, accurate, and relevant legal advice. I work closely with our People team (HR/talent), Operations team (school and network ops), and manage our risk and compliance team which includes Title IX, ECE, and Special Education.

I'm interested in serving on the Stargate Board of Directors because I'm incredibly passionate about my community. I've lived in Adams 12/Thornton for the last 8 years and have only heard amazing things about Stargate. As someone who was classified as gifted at a young age, I know how important it is to serve students who learn differently than others. Further, as someone who sits on an executive team, I understand firsthand the support that is needed from a Board to run a strong school.

Have you had any previous involvement with Stargate School as a parent, employee, or volunteer? If so, please describe.

No

What strengths will you bring to this position, and what do you hope to accomplish while serving in this position?

I am an attorney so I bring legal expertise, as well as operations expertise. Personally, I am quick, astute, and always willing to step in when needed. If selected, I hope to initially work to understand the current ins and outs of the organization, as well as the needs of the Executive Directors. From there, I hope to use my skills to position the network to be stronger during my tenure in all aspects, but especially legal and compliance.

What is your understanding of the Stargate Mission and Vision? How can you help support and advance them?

The Stargate mission and vision is intended to support gifted students individually, which they wouldn't generally receive at a traditional school, as well as fostering strong SEL supports, to create lifelong learners.

I believe that strong compliance and operations systems ultimately create an environment where students and staff feel safe and do their best work every day. I hope to build on the current compliance and operations systems to create that environment.

Skills and Areas of Expertise

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Academic/Education	X
Accounting	
Administration	X
Banking and Trusts	
Business Owner	
Charter School Law/Regulations	X
Community Development	
Financial	
Government	X
Law/Legal	X
Marketing	
Organization and Financial Management	
Former Parent	
Personnel	X
Public Relations	
Real Estate	
Strategic or Long-range Planning	
Surveys and Data Analysis	

