



Dear Maureen Joy Parents,

Hello my name is Dafina Laukam and I am running for the position of Vice President for Maureen Joy Charter School. My son Tryumph Laukam is six years old and is in Ms. Hall's first grade class. Tryumph began at Maureen Joy last year in Kindergarten and I am so pleased with the progress he has made academically and socially. Tryumph was very shy and sometimes not comfortable in crowds but over these past two years his progress has been outstanding! The Kidz Notes program has also provided him with more confidence. These experiences of constant support from dedicated teachers have given him so much and have given me the confidence to enroll my other son Syncere (current age 4) in Kindergarten here next year.

Maureen Joy has a great principal and teachers that give our children tremendous support and discipline. For all their dedication I would like to give back more to the school and have the staff feel like the parents appreciate them and are there to assist them in all capacities. To date I have collected over 300 box tops and labels for education for our school. Currently, I volunteer in the library for Mrs. Garcia but would love to help make a difference in a more official and memorable way as well.

I have not served on the PTO before but I have strong organizational, planning, and money management skills. I graduated from John Jay College of Criminal Justice with a BS in Criminal Justice/Law and a minor in Literature. I started my Masters in Public Safety and Administration. I am on the School Readiness Committee at my other son Syncere's school, Operation Breakthrough. I do run my own small business of natural hair and skin care products named Naturally Passionate. And of course being a wife and mother of three young children I know how to budget my time and money. I know I can bring great qualities to the PTO. Education is so important to me and I that is why I would like to be involved.

We have a wonderful school with dedicated teachers and staff and I look forward to a successful and enlightening year!

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