

## **Georgetown Community School Board of Directors Candidate**

### **Molly Paxton**

My name is Molly Paxton and I have lived in Clear Creek County all of my life. I grew up in the town of Empire and eventually moved to the big city of Georgetown.

My son, who has just started kindergarten, will now be the 4th generation of our family to live, and attend school, in Georgetown. Before becoming a stay-at-home mom, I enjoyed a career in marketing at Loveland Ski Area and then took the position of General Manager at Colorado Adventure Center. I might be one of the few people who are able to say I benefited from the COVID 19 pandemic. After being career driven for many years, the pandemic forced me to take a step back and look at what was really important to me. During the pandemic I realized how much time I was missing with my son and how important those moments are. With my husband's full support, I decided to be a stay-at-home mom. Since then, I have been showing my son how lucky we are to live in a place like Clear Creek County. In the winter we ski at Loveland and other local mountains, go ice racing on Georgetown Lake, enjoy snowy evening walks, and attend the annual Georgetown Christmas Market. In the summer we ride our bikes to summer reading at the local library, walk into town for ice cream, go camping up Guanella pass, play on the local t-ball team, go skateboarding at the Georgetown skate park, and enjoy the annual Georgetown 4th of July festivities. Growing up in Clear Creek myself I feel so blessed to be able to raise my son in this majestic valley.

The main reason I am running for the school board is to become more informed and involved with the Georgetown Community School. For the last couple years, I have substituted for GCS pre-school. During this time, I was able to observe some of the strengths as well as areas for improvement for GCS. The pre-school is a small part of GCS but is the place where many of the students begin their education. Having this experience, I realized I would like to expand on the role I can play in helping GCS be the best school it can be. Because I have gone to school there myself, and now with my son being a GCS student, I feel that I have an understanding of what works well for students and parents alike. I look forward to becoming more involved with the community's questions, comments and concerns regarding GCS.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Molly Paxton