

Candidates and Statements

Election Opens at 9:00 am on May 12, Closes at 5:00 pm on May 14

High School Rep

Anna Silarski: I am Anna Silarski and I'm running for HS Exec Rep. I've worked in numerous buildings while teaching orchestra. The spirit of collaboration I've experienced across grade levels and buildings is the approach I'll bring to BEA leadership. During this year's unprecedented challenges, I actively listened to fellow BEA members while being an engaged building rep, a district wide member organizer around working conditions, and a BEA social media campaign coordinator supporting the BEA bargaining team. Going forward, we must work collectively to defend members jobs, hold district leadership accountable, and bargain in the best interests of all BEA members.

Middle School Rep

Regen Lorden

Elementary Rep

Kyle Reimergartin: I have been honored to serve on your exec board these past few years. If re-elected I will continue to work to organize and build power with you and to make our union more just and inclusive.

ESA Rep

Michelle Mordaunt: I have been an SLP/ESA in BSD for 17 years, a BEA rep for four years, and the ESA Executive Board rep for the past two years. During the past two years, we have had a new CBA, rolled out the SSSLT and dealt with the numerous issues due to virtual learning, including the development and implementation of four MOUs impacting ESAs. I have developed a good working relationship with my BSD counterparts. I understand the unique job needs of ESAs and would be honored to continue to advocate and support the BEA counselors, psychologists, nurses, PTs, OTs and SLPs.

Sammamish UniServ Council

Regen Lorden

Patricia Gilbert: As a Sammamish UniServ Board member, I will seek to hear and understand the diverse needs of our membership and use my voice represent Bellevue educators. I am a 4th grade teacher and served as a building rep at Cherry Crest for almost 3 years. I come to this work as a white woman, but I strive to divest myself from systems of power to promote racial justice in our community. I see the hard work and dedication that my colleagues have put into this school year, and as a Sammamish UniServ Board member I will advocate for you.

MLK Labor Council

Brooke Weber: Brooke Weber identifies as a white, female teacher at Big Picture School, and BEA rep. She is part of the Transformational Leadership for Racial Equity cohort through the WEA, SOAR advisor, and anti-racist ally at Big Picture. Brooke lives in Seattle and is involved in community action and support for Black economic reform with her volunteer work. She has followed the work of the MLK labor council and wants to support the union by partnering with the MLK labor council to empower workers, their communities and families to enact policies that focus on improving and strengthening our racial equity work.

Rachel Tochiki

Megan Moreno: I'm a mixed-race Latina and educator who serves as a kindergarten teacher and as a building representative for Stevenson Elementary. As a white-presenting educator and someone who understands the inequities present in institutions such as public education, I am deeply committed to workforce issues that affect union members. If elected as one of the MLK Labor Council representatives, I will use my experience as a building representative to engage in conversations that will strengthen our union, promote positive growth for workforce improvements, and continue to combat the inequities that are present, while disrupting injustices within the current system in place.