



## 2018-2019 Kinder Advisor Candidate Statements

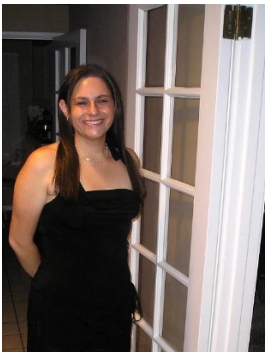


**Heather Arter**

Hi! My name is Heather Arter, and I am running for Kindergarten Advisor. My daughter, Daisy, is a student in Ms. Schwimmer's Kindergarten class. As a brand new Encino Charter Elementary family (and a mom who was slightly overwhelmed by the transition from private preschool to LAUSD), I was so grateful for the events that Kim and Christina planned prior to the start of the school year for the incoming Kindergarten families. Having a few friendly faces on day 1 was really meaningful. I'd love to give back and help next year's new families navigate this process.

I'm an Executive Assistant in Film Publicity at Netflix, and two of the biggest parts of my job are event planning and making sure that our department's new hires (over 40 in the past 10 months!) feel like they are being welcomed with open arms. Since I already do these things professionally, I'm happy to volunteer my time and skills in an effort to give back to my daughter's school and our community.

Thank you for considering me for this position.



**Stephanie Porter**

My name is Stephanie Porter, and I am running for Kindergarten Advisor. My son, Maddox, started Kindergarten this year – joining the ranks of the illustrious Encino Charter student body. By no means are we new comers to the school, my older son, Aiden, is a thriving 4th grade student. Our family has been a part of this dynamic school for the past 5 years and words cannot describe how fortunate we feel.

Being born and raised in this community, and from having attended Encino Charter myself as an elementary student, I know firsthand the quality education our children obtain here. A lot has changed over the years, but one thing holds true, Encino Charter is a staple of the community and a beacon to families wanting to offer a phenomenal, state-of-the-art foundation to their children.

Presently I'm a stay-at-home mom. Having been a part of the Encino Charter parental community for so long, I'm hoping for the opportunity to take on the role of Kindergarten Advisor and help new families become settled and feel as welcome and a part of the school family as we do.