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# Van Eck News

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- August 28<sup>th</sup>  
Golf  
Tournament
- August 29<sup>th</sup>  
Campaign  
Canvassing  
Kick-Off
- August 31<sup>st</sup>  
First Day of  
School
- Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>  
School Board  
Meeting
- Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>  
Fundraiser at  
Cantone’s  
Restaurant
- Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>  
School Board  
Meeting
- Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Election Day

## Melissa Van Eck Candidate for CD School Board

Melissa Van Eck is a local attorney and businesswoman. As the managing partner of a successful law firm, she understands the importance of financial responsibility. As a parent of two young boys, she understands the importance of quality education.

Melissa believes that many of the problems facing the board should have been addressed years ago, but that personality conflicts have prevented that from happening. “Personal differences and political infighting have characterized this board for too long...it is time to set

that aside and place the best interest of our students and schools where it belongs, front and center.” Melissa will work to provide a quality education for all of our students, transparency in making decisions and financial responsibility with taxpayer money.

## Melissa Van Eck Advocates Transparency

Melissa Van Eck has been attending every school board meeting and workshop since September of last year. During this time she has kept parents and taxpayers informed of issues affecting them. During the August 10, 2009, School Board meeting Melissa spoke out on behalf of taxpayers and parents about the absence of

transparency and public participation prior to the board’s decision to outsource transportation. Melissa asked the board to table the issue. “Neither the Board nor the public have been provided with a meaningful opportunity to properly consider the impact of this decision on the taxpayers in this District”, said Van Eck

Melissa further indicated that, “the public deserves the opportunity to participate in the decision making process. Any decision made by the Board regarding this issue will certainly impact each and every person within this District.” Melissa will continue to be an advocate for taxpayers once elected.

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## Back to School Nights....

Linglestown Elementary	Sept. 10 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.
Mountain View Elementary	Sept. 10 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.
Northside Elementary	Sept. 10 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.
Paxtonia Elementary (K-2)	Sept. 14 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.
Paxtonia Elementary (3-5)	Sept. 16 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.
West Hanover Elementary	Sept. 16 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.
CD East Middle School	Sept. 17 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.
CD Middle School	Sept. 15 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 p.m.
Linglestown Middle School	Sept. 17 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 p.m.
Central Dauphin H.S.	Sept. 24 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.
Central Dauphin East H.S.	Sept. 24 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 p.m.

## Back Pack Safety

Pack light – a backpack should never weigh more than 10 to 15 percent of your child's body weight.

Organize the pack to make use of all compartments and pack heavier items closest to the center of the back.

Choose a pack with wide padded shoulder straps and a padded back. Always carry the backpack using both shoulder straps.

## Note from the Candidate...

I look forward to discussing the issues affecting the students, parents and taxpayers within this district in the months ahead. I will continue to keep my constituents aware of important issues being placed before the current board. If you have any questions or would like to discuss an issue of interest to you, please contact me.

Sincerely,

*Melissa L. Van Eck*

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