

**General Information**

Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:  
Education and Early Development Board, Third Judicial District seat

Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:  
None

State Boards/Commissions on which you have served:  
Education & Early Development Board Third Judicial District Seat

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Lorri	A	Van Diest

**Conflict of Interest**

Full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010 is required for certain boards and commissions. Are you willing to provide this information if required for the board or commission which you are applying?

Yes

Service in a public office is a public trust. The Ethics Act (AS 39.52.110) prohibits substantial and material conflicts of interest. Is it possible that you or any member of your family will benefit financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying? If you answer 'yes' to this question you MUST explain the potential financial benefit.

No

Please explain the potential financial benefit

**Employment History**

Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNSELOR • IDITAROD ELEMENTARY • MATANUSKA SUSITNA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (MSBSD) • 501 N GULKANA ST. • PALMER, AK 99645 • AUGUST 2018 TO PRESENT

SUBSTITUTE SCHOOL COUNSELOR • MSBSD • 2015-2018

HOMESCHOOL TEACHER • INDEPENDENT HOMESCHOOL PROGRAM • 2010 TO PRESENT

DISTRICT CURRICULUM COORDINATOR • MSBSD • 2004-2010

SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNSELOR • COLONY HIGH SCHOOL & TEELAND MIDDLE SCHOOL • MSBSD • 1993-2004

HIGH SCHOOL MATH TEACHER • COLONY HIGH SCHOOL & SEWARD JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL • 1988-1993

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL ASSISTANT COACH • COLONY HIGH SCHOOL • MSBSD • 1991-2002

SAXON MATH CONSULTANT • VARIOUS ALASKA SCHOOL DISTRICTS • 2011-2013

**Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications**

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:  
GUIDANCE & COUNSELING, M.S. • 1996 • OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY • CORVALLIS, OREGON  
Summa Cum Laude

MATHEMATICS, B.S. • 1986 • SEATTLE PACIFIC UNIVERSITY • SEATTLE, WASHINGTON  
Cum Laude

SEVERAL COLLEGE COURSES USED TO RE-CERTIFY TEACHING & COUNSELING CREDENTIAL •  
1989 TO PRESENT • UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA • ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

SEVERAL EDUCATIONAL & NATIONAL CONFERENCES • VARIOUS TOPICS • 1990 TO PRESENT •  
ALASKA & OTHER STATES

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as  
qualifying criteria:  
LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR • 2000 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA LICENSE#087

CERTIFIED SECONDARY MATHEMATICS TEACHER • 1988 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA

CERTIFIED K-12 COUNSELOR • 1993 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.  
BOARD OF EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT MEMBER • JANUARY 2018 TO PRESENT •  
SECOND VICE-CHAIR FEBRUARY 2019 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA

BOARD OF EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR • MARCH  
2019 TO PRESENT • STATE OF ALASKA

LAZY MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL BOARD • PRESIDENT 2016 TO PRESENT & 2009-2011 •  
PALMER, ALASKA

MAT-SU COMMUNITY COUNCILS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY • MEMBER 2019 TO PRESENT • WASILLA,  
ALASKA

HEARTREACH PREGNANCY CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS • 2009-2012 • PRESIDENT 2009-  
2010 • WASILLA, ALASKA

ALASKA PRIVATE & HOME EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBER • 2012-2015 • WASILLA,  
ALASKA

### Conviction Record

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten  
years?

No

Conviction Circumstances

### Certification of Accuracy & Completeness

By submitting this online application, I swear the information I have entered on this form is true to the  
best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form  
my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be  
removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former  
employees or other persons who know me to obtain an additional information about my skills and  
abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released  
through a legal request for such information.

Type "I certify"  
"I certify"

Resume Addendum:



**LV****LORRI VAN DIEST**  


## OBJECTIVE

I am a sincere, conscientious trustworthy individual, re-applying for the Board of Education & Early Development. My experience as a current State Board of Education member, elementary school counselor, and district curriculum coordinator, makes me a strong candidate.

## SKILLS

I will continue to offer the Board of Education & Early Development skills as an experienced facilitator, coordinator, organizer, accurate record keeper, solid team player, confidential counselor, and skilled communicator in verbal and written language.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNSELOR • IDITAROD ELEMENTARY • MATANUSKA SUSITNA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (MSBSD) • 501 N GULKANA ST. • PALMER, AK 99645 • AUGUST 2018 TO PRESENT**

- Counseled individual students and parents
- Facilitated small group counseling
- Worked with community agencies regarding individuals and families
- Maintained accurate and confidential records
- Member of Crisis Response Team
- Professional Development presenter to school staff

**SUBSTITUTE SCHOOL COUNSELOR • MSBSD • 2015-2018**

- Filled-in for regular counselor at various secondary schools
- Worked up to 8 weeks at a time
- Responsibilities equivalent to the full-time counselor

**HOMESCHOOL TEACHER • INDEPENDENT HOMESCHOOL PROGRAM • 2010 TO PRESENT**

- Planned, taught, and assessed all school subjects to my three children
- Coordinated learning opportunities
- Traveled extensively throughout the Pacific Northwest of the United States

**DISTRICT CURRICULUM COORDINATOR • MSBSD • 2004-2010**

- Coordinated district curriculum development for all core content areas in a district of 18,800 students
- Facilitated Curriculum Council, curriculum writing and selection meetings for up to 40 people
- Organized the selection process for district-wide instructional materials
- Teamed with other district leaders on various initiatives, including district improvement plans, federal grants, and AYP efforts

**SECONDARY SCHOOL COUNSELOR • COLONY HIGH SCHOOL & TEELAND MIDDLE SCHOOL • MSBSD • 1993-2004**

- Advised and assisted high school seniors' transition to various post-secondary opportunities
- Conducted scholarship, financial aid, post-secondary education workshops
- Coordinated school wide counseling program
- Built the master schedule for TMS and CHS

**HIGH SCHOOL MATH TEACHER • COLONY HIGH SCHOOL & SEWARD JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL • 1988-1993**

- Taught and assessed all levels of high school math, including 12<sup>th</sup> grade Pre-Calculus
- Maintained accurate student records
- Planned classroom instruction and organized classroom environment

**HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL ASSISTANT COACH • COLONY HIGH SCHOOL • MSBSD • 1991-2002**

- Coached all levels – C Team, Junior-Varsity, Varsity
- Designed and conducted C team practices
- Chaperoned all basketball trips, including travel to other states

**SAXON MATH CONSULTANT • VARIOUS ALASKA SCHOOL DISTRICTS • 2011-2013**

- Planned and facilitated training for district teachers
- Operated distant learning technology for trainings
- Prepared written reports for school officials

## **EDUCATION & CERTIFICATES**

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## **VOLUNTEER & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

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**REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST**