

**Education and Early Development Board****Lorri Ann Van Diest****General Information**

Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:  
Education and Early Development Board, Seat vacated by John Harmon

Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:  
None

State Boards/Commissions on which you have served:  
None

First Name Lorri	Middle Name Ann	Last Name Van Diest
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Military Service  
None

**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.  
Substitute Counselor, Mat-Su Borough School District (MSBSD), Palmer, Alaska, 2015 to Present  
Saxon Math Consultant, Various Alaska School Districts, 2011-2013  
Retired Educator, MSBSD, 2010 to Present  
District Curriculum Coordinator, MSBSD (District Office), 2004-2010  
Secondary School Counselor, MSBSD (Colony High School & Teeland Middle School), 1993-2004  
High School Math Teacher, MSBSD (Colony High School) & Kenai Peninsula School District (Seward Jr/Sr High School), 1988-1993  
High School Girls Basketball Assistant Coach, MSBSD (Colony High School), 1991-2002

**Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications**

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:  
Renewed and maintained LPC with 40 CEUs every 2 years  
Renewed and maintained teaching certificates with 6 semester credits every 5 years  
Guidance & Counseling, M.S., Oregon State University, 1996 Summa Cum Laude  
Mathematics, B.S., Seattle Pacific University, 1986 Cum Laude

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:  
Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), State of Alaska, 2000 to Present  
Certified Mathematics Teacher, State of Alaska, Grades 7-12, 1988 to Present  
Certified School Counselor, State of Alaska, Grades K-12, 1993 to Present

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.  
Lazy Mountain Community Council Board, Palmer, Alaska, President 2016 to Present, 2009-2011  
Alaska Private & Home Educators Association Board (APHEA), Wasilla, Alaska, 2012-2015  
Board of Directors for HeartReach Pregnancy Center, Wasilla, Alaska, 2009-2012, President 2009-2010

### 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"

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Resume Addendum:

### Press Release Wording

Lorri A. Van Diest, 53 of Palmer, is a retired educator from the Matanuska Susitna Borough School District holds a bachelor's degree in Mathematics from Seattle Pacific University and a master's degree in Counseling from Oregon State University. Van Diest is a Licensed Professional Counselor.

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# Lorri A. Van Diest

## PROFILE

I am a sincere, conscientious, and trustworthy individual who is seeking to expand my professional skills. I can offer the Board of Education my skills as a facilitator, coordinator, organizer, team player, and counselor.

## VOLUNTEER SERVICE

- Lazy Mountain Community Council Board • Palmer, Alaska • President 2016 to Present, 2009-2011
- Board of Directors for HeartReach Pregnancy Center • Wasilla, Alaska • 2009-2012 • President 2009-2010
- Alaska Private & Home Educators Association (APHEA) Board • Wasilla, Alaska • Board Member 2012-2015

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Mat-Su Borough School District • 501 N. Gulkana • Palmer, Alaska

### Substitute Counselor • 2015 to Present

- Fill-in for regular counselor at various secondary schools
- Work up to 8 weeks at a time
- Responsibilities are the same as the full-time counselor

### District Curriculum Coordinator • 2004 to 2010

- Coordinated district curriculum development for all core content areas
- Facilitated curriculum meetings and Curriculum Council meetings for up to 40 people at a time
- Organized the process for selecting district-wide curriculum materials
- Teamed up with other district leaders on various initiatives, including district improvement plans, federal grants, and AYP efforts

### Secondary School Counselor • Teeland Middle School & Colony High School • 1993 – 2004

- Counseled individual students and parents
- Facilitated group counseling situations
- Worked with community agencies regarding individual students
- Maintained confidential records
- Advised and helped high school seniors transition to various post-secondary opportunities
- Conducted scholarship, financial aid, post secondary education workshops
- Coordinated a school wide counseling program

- Built the master schedule for TMS & CHS and scheduled up to 600 students

High School Math Teacher • Colony High School & Seward Jr/Sr High•  
1988– 1993

- Taught all levels of high school math courses, including Pre-Calculus
- Maintained accurate student records
- Planned classroom instruction & organized classroom environment

High School Girl's Basketball Assistant Coach • Colony High School •  
1991 – 2002

- Coached all levels - C Team, JV and Varsity
- Designed and ran •C team practices
- Chaperoned all basketball trips, including travel to other states
- Worked closely with Head Girls Basketball Coach

Saxon Math Consultant • Various Districts across Alaska • 2011 – 2013

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

**CERTIFICATES**

- Licensed Professional Counselor • State of Alaska • License #87 • 2000 to Present
- Certified Secondary Math Teacher • State of Alaska • 1988 to Present
- Certified School Counselor • State of Alaska• 1993 to Present

**EDUCATION**

- Guidance & Counseling M.S. • Oregon State University •Corvallis, Oregon • Summa Cum Laude 1996
- Mathematics B.S. • Seattle Pacific University •Seattle, Washington • Cum Laude 1986

**QUALIFICATIONS**

- Skilled and experienced facilitator
- Skilled communicator in verbal and written language
- Accurate and confidential record keeper
- Solid team member



