



Tiller School

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TILLER SCHOOL 2024 BOARD MEMBER APPLICATION

Thank you for considering serving as a Board of Directors member for Tiller School. Please find some general information about Tiller School and the Board of Directors below. If you are interested in being considered for Board membership during our annual election in June 2024, with term of service beginning in July 2024, please submit a completed application by March 18, 2024 via the [Google Form linked here](#). Paper copies of the application are available from the Tiller School Front Office upon request. Applicants will be contacted by a current member of the Board of Directors to complete and submit a background check form to the Tiller School Front Office by March 29, 2024. *Please note, per the Tiller School bylaws, applicants are expected to have attended at least **two** regular Board of Director meetings prior to the election in June, either in person or virtually.*

Applications will be reviewed by the Board of Directors who will vote at the April Board meeting to accept and nominate candidates from the applications received. Nominated candidates will then be interviewed virtually by two members of the current Board of Directors and references checked. At the annual Board meeting in June, current Board members will vote to elect new members of the Board from among the eligible candidates. Newly-elected Board members will be seated at the July Board meeting. Prior to being seated, elected Board members will need to provide two proofs of residence and sign conflict of interest and confidentiality statements.

About Tiller School

Tiller School is a FREE public charter school that is dedicated to fostering curiosity, creativity, confidence and competence through an innovative academic and social curriculum. We envision Tiller School as a compassionate community that engages in rigorous academics, intellectual and esthetic exploration and social responsibility. Tiller School combines the North Carolina Standard Course of Study and Hirsch's Core Knowledge curriculum. Tiller School has adopted the Responsive Classroom approach to elementary teaching that emphasizes social, emotional and academic growth in a strong and safe school community.

About the Board of Directors

Tiller School is a nonprofit corporation, run by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors is granted authority to govern by a Charter issued by the State Board of Education. The Board of Directors is responsible for the governance, policy and overall financial health of Tiller School. The Board of Directors governs within the established bylaws of The Tiller School of Carteret County.

Board members can serve up to two consecutive, three-year terms, with terms beginning at the July Board meeting. The Board of Directors will have at least five (5), but no more than twelve (12) members. The majority of members will be parents of children enrolled at the school; a community member with no current affiliation with the school will fill at least one position. The officers of the Board of Directors are President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Other members are at-large members. Board members shall serve on at least one Board committee.

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. All meetings of the Board of Directors are open to the public. All Board actions are recorded in the minutes as the official permanent record of the Board. Learn more about the Tiller School Board of Directors on the Tiller School website [here](#).

Board Member Qualifications

- A. Be a resident of the state of North Carolina.
- B. Be an advocate of public education in NC, and the charter school role in the public education system.
- C. Have a desire to be an active Board member in a non-profit organization.
- D. Be a team member who can provide solutions and a positive attitude.
- E. Have experience and/or a skill set that adds value to the work of the Board. *The Board is currently seeking members with experience and skills in one or more of the following areas: previous non-profit board experience, organizational management, accounting and finance, fundraising, educational field experience, and facilities and construction experience.*

Board Member Responsibilities

- A. Uphold the mission of Tiller School.
- B. Oversee and ensure fiscal responsibility in the operation of Tiller School.
- C. Set up, review and revise, as necessary, Tiller School bylaws and associated processes and procedures.
- D. Initiate and create long range planning for financials and operations of Tiller School.
- E. Actively participate in monthly Board meetings and on at least one [Board committee](#) needed for the operation of Tiller School.
- F. Designate the job responsibilities of the Executive Director.
- G. Hire and evaluate the Executive Director and approve the hiring of other school positions as recommended by the Executive Director.

Please contact Board Member Rebecca Ellin at rellin@tillerschool.org with any questions you may have. Thank you for your interest in serving on the Tiller School Board of Directors.

“This institution is an equal opportunity provided, and employer. Federal law prohibits discrimination. Complaints of discrimination can be filed with the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250. No indebtedness of any kind incurred or created by the charter school shall constitute an indebtedness of the State of its political subdivisions, and no indebtedness of the charter school shall involve or be secured by the faith, credit, or taxing power of the State or its political subdivisions.”