

Hello, Innovation Academy Parents!

My name is Doug Marcoux and I'm excited to be running for President of the PTO because I love the students, teachers, and families that make Innovation Academy so great!

For those who I haven't had the chance to meet yet, I'm the dad who worked with Principal McConnel and Officer Lopez to launch the WatchDOGS (Dads Of Great Students) program at our school. In this first year, our program has made a very positive impact on both students and staff, and these great dads have laid a strong foundation from which we'll continue to grow the program next year!

Around campus, I can often be found sitting on the alphabet rug reading in kindergarten, helping with science fair projects in the maker space, playing basketball at recess, walking with a student to the nurse, or just showing up for a kid who needs a positive male role model. I'm committed to these students and teachers, and I'm excited to lead our incredible PTO team to keep Innovation Academy the best school around.

When it comes to the business of the PTO, one of the biggest challenges is getting people involved. Being a member of the PTO should be about more than fundraising and pleading for volunteers. It should also be a way for parents to get to know each other, and by doing so, to build a community. My goal is to increase engagement by making our PTO events as much fun for parents as they are for the kids, and by making our events accessible to all families in our school.

I take opportunities to serve our school very seriously and trusting me with your vote for PTO President would mean so much. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to seeing you at the PTO meeting **Wednesday** night!

Warmly,
Avery and Dylan's dad, Doug Marcoux