# Nomination Process for the Executive Board of the New York State Montessori Alliance

#### **Overview**

Use the form that follows to nominate yourself for the executive board of the New York State Montessori Alliance. The positions that are open beginning in July 2024 are:

- President
- Vice-President
- Treasurer
- Secretary

When completed, email the PDF of the questions on page 3, along with a clear head shot to the following email address: <a href="mailto:owmontessori@gmail.com">owmontessori@gmail.com</a>

The deadline to email the required documentation is end-of-day April 12, 2024.

### **Role of the Executive Board Member**

Board members have the rewarding opportunity to share time and talent to promote continued development and ongoing success of the organization. Administrators with a diverse set of skills and abilities are needed to form an effective board. Skills related to technology, financial processes, and communication, along with interest in providing strong leadership and professional development are necessary for various positions. Every board member provides the essential link between the organization and the constituents it represents, therefore models and supports an atmosphere of collaboration and mutual respect. Board members consistently adhere to and support the stated mission of the NYSMA; understand and accept all aspects of confidentiality during and after the term; and refrain from any activity which may constitute a conflict of interest. Board members refrain from expressing individual ideas as representatives of the Board or NYSMA.

#### **Time Commitment**

- Quarterly in-person group meetings
- Monthly virtual board meetings

### **Eligibility Requirements**

All Board positions are three-year terms. The candidate must be a current active or retired Montessori Administrator with three (3) or more years of experience, and is either associated with a New York school/organization which is a current member or is a current individual member of NYSMA. The candidate will demonstrate effective skills in communication and organization, demonstrate consistency in attending member and board meetings, and has the professional support necessary to allow for the successful completion of the board position. Serving on the Executive Board is both an honor and a responsibility.

#### **Selection of Nominees**

The NYSMA Nomination Committee will gather submitted nomination forms and communicate to each candidate regarding the election process. The selection of candidates for election will ensure that the board is representative of its constituents and a diverse pool of talent. Candidates are to be advised that written responses to questions and photos will be published as an aid to NYSMA member schools in election documents. This will ensure that schools may identify which nominee(s) they believe will best serve the organization.

#### **Contact**

If you have questions regarding NYSMA Executive Board Nominations or the role of specific board positions, please contact: <u>Diane Lanci, President, owmontessori@gmail.com</u>

Application for Candidates to the NYSMA Executive Board
Please complete, create a PDF, and submit with answers to questions on page 3, and a headshot via email to <a href="mailto:owmontessori@gmail.com">owmontessori@gmail.com</a> by <a href="mailto:April 12">April 12</a>, <a href="mailto:2024</a>.

Full Name	
For which Board Position are you applying?	
Home Street Address City, State, Zip	
Day Phone:	
Evening Phone:	
Email:	
Employer Name Address	
City, State, Zip	
Montessori Credentials, Level(s), Organization(s)	
Please provide 1 Professional Reference who will describe your skills/talents/abilities.  Name:	
Email:	
Phone:	
Relationship to candidate:	

## **Questions to be Answered by the Candidate**

Please answer the questions in a separate Word document, then create a PDF. Submit with the completed application on page 2 and a headshot via email to <a href="mailto:owmontessori@gmail.com">owmontessori@gmail.com</a> by <a href="mailto:April 12">April 12</a>, <a href="mailto:2024">2024</a>.

1.	Why are you interested in serving on the NYSMA Executive Board?
2. the wo	What talents, skills, and knowledge do you possess that would contribute to ork and/or process of the NYSMA?
3.	What personal characteristics or attributes do you bring to a group effort?
4.	Please attach a brief biography that can be used for the website.