

For Immediate Release

Jonathan Greene, NPS alum and current NPS parent, has announced that he is running for the Newton Ward 6 School Committee seat. The election will be for an open seat as the incumbent is not running for re-election.

Jonathan has a deep commitment to the Newton community and the Newton Public Schools. He grew up in Newton and went to Cabot, Day, Bigelow and Newton North. He believes public schools are the cornerstone of thriving communities, and will work to ensure that all students have access to the world-class education that he received as a student.

Greene's NPS journey was marked by challenge and support. "After I was diagnosed with dyslexia, NPS provided me with the special education support necessary for me to learn to read. I also benefited from engaged parents who made sure standards were never lowered for me, but rather, I was held to the same high bar as all of my peers. It is vitally important that all children are made to feel, from every professional in our school system, that they matter and that they can succeed. That mix of challenge and support, and belief in each child's ability to advance, in a school system where parents are engaged and part of the learning journey is critical to making public school work. It was critical in my success in NPS and beyond - at college and in my professional career. All students must be able to excel and receive an excellent education in a system that aspires to be among the best school systems in the country" Jonathan said.

Jonathan's professional experience includes leadership roles at Bain Capital and Wayfair, and he is currently Chief Digital and Technology Officer at US LBM. He studied Economics at Colby College and the London School of Economics. Greene says, "I've spent my career helping companies build a vision for the future and chart a course to get there. I'm experienced at navigating the big and small, easy and hard decisions needed to achieve a vision. I believe these skills will be helpful for NPS as we transition to a new school committee, a new mayor and a future in which we are driven to improve all aspects of the Newton Public Schools."

Greene and his wife moved back to Newton in 2017 to raise their family. He is committed to ensuring his son, a 3rd grader at Bowen, is able to benefit from the same educational experiences he had himself in Newton Public Schools.

Greene says, "We have a unique moment-in-time opportunity for the city to put the conflicts and disagreements of COVID and the emotions and frustrations of the strike behind us while setting a course for the exceptional school system we want for our families. I'm excited to partner with Dr. Nolin, our Superintendent, and a new mayor to do just that."