Dear Parents and Guardians,  
  
The Linden S.T.E.A.M. Academy is guided by a Governing Board, made up of Linden teachers and administrators, parents/guardians of Linden students, local community members, and representatives from Malden Public Schools, the Malden Teachers Association, and the Malden School Committee. The Governing Board is responsible for setting school policies in alignment with school’s Innovation Plan, established in 2012.   
  
There are two parent/guardian positions opening up for election this spring. If you are interested in running in the election, please fill out the attached form and return it to the school office by May 22nd, 2015. Alternatively (and most preferred) you can download a copy of the form below and email it to the governing board at [www.lsa-gb@live.com](http://www.lsa-gb@live.com). We cannot put your name on the ballot if you return your form after that date. Elections will be held during the Linden S.T.E.A.M. Academy’s Exhibition Night on June 18th, 2015..   
  
Each elected position is for two school years. So the newly elected members would be on the board for both the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years. If elected, you will be expected to attend the June 22, 2015 meeting. Additionally, you will be required to attend future meetings and participate on at least one subcommittee.

The board meets monthly on the fourth Monday of each month at 5:45pm, for two hours. The meetings are open to the public, and you are welcome to come and observe at any time.  
  
Sincerely,

The LSA Governing Board

**Co-Chair:** Sonia Miller (Teacher)  
**Co-Chair**: Franklin Shearer (Parent)  
**Treasurer:** Alisha King (Teacher)  
**Secretary:** Rachana Gray (Parent)

**Board Members:**  
Sarah Boswell (Parent)  
Diana Buonopane (Teacher)  
Richard Bransfield (Principal)  
Laura Degelmann (Teacher)  
David Deruosi (Superintendent)  
John Froio (School Committee)  
Susan Goldstein Fghani (Parent)  
Marguerite Gonsalves (Union Representative)  
Jocelyn Ken (Teacher)

Judith Leisk (Teacher)  
Conrad Mitala (Parent)  
Elaine Rittershaus (Teacher)  
Susan Terban (Teacher)  
Leonard A. Young Jr. (Community Member)

Contact us: email: lsa-gb@live.com

Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Please List your children that attend the Linden S.T.E.A.M. Academy:

Child Name Grade (currently)

1.

2.

3.

4.

Write a short description (250 words or less) of whom you are and why you would like to be on the Linden S.T.E.A.M. Academy’s governing board. (This will be included with the ballot for the election)