

## **Run for School Council and Serve Your School**

In preparation for a busy school year next year, we are looking for parents, staff members, and community members who would like to serve on the Colinas del Norte Elementary School advisory school council. The council advises the principal on school budgets, curriculum, and rules and policies and are champions for students in building community support for schools.

School councils consist of two school staff members, two parents, and two community representatives who must be Rio Rancho residents or have a student enrolled in a Rio Rancho public school. The principal serves as an active member of the council. Meetings are held four or more times per year.

Candidates for school council are chosen through elections conducted at the beginning of the school year. Those wishing to serve should file a declaration of candidacy at our school office. Further information and declaration of candidacy forms are available at any Rio Rancho school, at the district office at 500 Laser Rd. NE, or on the district Web site at [www.rrps.net](http://www.rrps.net). Declarations of candidacy should be returned in person to the school or to the district office, 500 Laser Rd. NE. Candidates will be asked to show ID and proof of residency when submitting their declarations of candidacy.

The deadline for filing for all schools except Rio Rancho Middle School and Cleveland High School is Friday, May 22. Deadline for filing for positions at Rio Rancho Middle School and Cleveland High School will be Friday, August 21, and candidates wishing to file for those positions may file through our school office or through the district office.

Parents whose children are "graduating" from Colinas del Norte Elementary School and moving up to Middle School are encouraged to run for school council at their prospective school.