

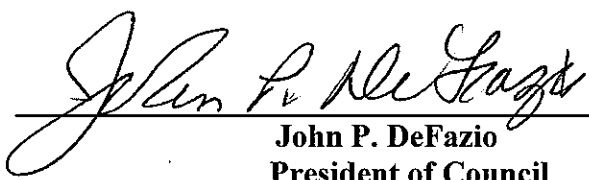
APPOINTMENT

Approving the appointment of Joseph Oliphant to serve as a member of the Council of Friends Organization (South Park) for a term to expire on July 1, 2016.


SPONSORED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PALMIERE

In Council July 1st, 2014.

Read and approved by Motion of Council.



John P. DeFazio
President of Council

Attest: 

Jared Barker
Chief Clerk
Allegheny County Council



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Nomination

Friends of the Parks Nomination Form

Council Member John Palmiere

Nominee: Joseph Oliphant

Address: 3572 Falmouth Drive South Park, PA 15129

Phone: 724-782-0307 Email: joeoliphant@hotmail.com

This nominee shall be a member of the Council of Friends of South
Park. He/She is representative of:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Labor	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disability Community
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sports & Athletic Programs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental Advocates	<input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape Architecture
<input type="checkbox"/>	Historic Preservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify)

Council Member Signature: _____

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John F. Palmiere".

Date: 6/16/14

3/25/14

RE: Friends of South Park Appointment

Good morning,

I hereby express my interest in being appointed to the Council of Friends for the Friends of South Park.

My goals include:

- Continue to raise awareness for the Friends of South Park.
- Engage a younger crowd to be involved in South Park.
- Involving the local schools to create service projects that directly benefit South Park.
- Continue to grow a larger social media presence within the region to benefit South Park.

I have attached my resume.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Employment

BUILDING PRINCIPAL

Propel Braddock Hills

2010-PRESENT

Braddock Hills, Pennsylvania

Assisted in the successful opening of the building in August 2010. During the first year my building consisted of both elementary and high school students, which allowed me to experience a broad spectrum of supervisory experience. I facilitate learning opportunities for children, support staff on a daily basis, listen to, support and encourage parents, serve as parent/teacher/student liaison, coordinate budgets, hire and supervise staff. I support the mission and vision of Propel Schools with a blended project-based learning model.

TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR

Propel Charter Schools

2008-2010

Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania

Responsible for training, modeling, and assisting teachers in integrating technology in the classroom to improve student achievement. Work in five buildings with students in grades kindergarten through 12 to oversee, model and plan effective implementation of technology.

TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION COACH/MASTER TEACHER

Propel Charter School East

2005-2008

Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania

Collaborated with teachers and administration to introduce and integrate various technological tools and resources for grades kindergarten through sixth. Emphasized enhancing curriculum lessons through the use of Smart boards, projectors, personal response systems and various other tools. Conducted in-service trainings, as well as one-on-one trainings for staff members.

▪ EDUWARE EDUCATIONAL PRODUCTS

Currently test interactive educational products in the classroom setting to make sure that the products are developmentally appropriate, standards-based, and a meaningful classroom instructional tool.

Taught second grade students in all general education subjects. Instructed multi-age groups in history and science. My duties included submitting standard-driven lessons, administering DIBELS, DRA's, SAT 10, and other progress-monitoring assessments. I utilized Math Investigations, Open Court and History Alive curriculums while teaching at Propel. Trained on Successmaker and Waterford Learning Computer Systems both of which were used extensively in my classroom. Started an initiative to raise science awareness in our building in attempt to raise Science PSSA scores. National Science Teachers of America (NSTA) member. Organized 1st annual science fair.

• ASSET SCIENCE

Participated in numerous professional development sessions Topics included: Inquiry, building investigative science notebooks, technology integration, and current

curriculum matters in the classroom. Assumed teacher leader responsibility in my building as well as the S.O.S. (Specialist on site). Extensive presentations regarding standards and science methodology. Assisted in the Kit Specialist program where I taught a science module unit to teachers at other districts. Taught the following science modules: Life Cycle of the Butterfly, Solids and Liquids, Insects, Balance and Weighing, Changes, Ecosystems, Electric Circuits, Food Chemistry and the Human Body.

- ODYSSEY OF THE MIND -COACH/SCHOOL COORDINATOR
Achieved state final recognition 2 years in a row while coaching third, fourth, and fifth graders in Odyssey of the Mind. This program teaches students to learn creative problem-solving methods and team-building activities while having fun in the process.
- PSSA MATH RANGEFINDING COMMITTEE
Selected through application process to participate in Math Rangefinding committee to review/score appropriate grade-level responses from the PSSA tests.
- STAR DISCOVERY EDUCATOR
Selected through application process to be a member of a global online collection of educators who share technology strategies

THERAPEUTIC SUPPORT SPECIALIST

Mercy Behavioral Health

2005-2008

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Provide mobile therapy and clinical support to behaviorally challenged children. Design and assist parents in implementing behavior management programs for home, school and community.

SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Holy Family Learning/Residential Education

2002-2005

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Taught sixth through tenth grade students with diagnosed emotional and behavioral disabilities. In this role, I developed, implemented and evaluated Individual Education Plans and daily lesson plans that met the individual objectives of each student. Also managed crisis situations through utilization of skills learned in agency-approved training. I also attended several Asset Incorporated training sessions.

- STARFISH COMMITTEE
Committee formed to implement a program to eliminate peer intimidation through violence and verbal insults within the school.
- BEHAVIORAL MODIFICATION COMMITTEE
Committee formed to develop and implement behavior plans as well as managing challenging situations that may arise in the classroom.
- VOCATIONAL EDUCATION
Taught carpentry skills and general home remodeling to students from throughout the Holy Family Organization.

Awards and Honors

**PAECT OUTSTANDING LEADER OF THE YEAR
2010**

Pennsylvania Association for Education Communications and Technology

DISCOVERY EDUCATOR NETWORK MEMBER 2008

Member of a distinguished global community of educators

KEYSTONE TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATOR 2008

One of fifty educators chosen from around the state to be honored in 2008 for outstanding use of technology in the classroom. This title is awarded to a classroom teacher who fully utilizes the many benefits technology offers to improve instructional practices across content areas. In doing this, the teacher does not focus on the technology itself; rather focuses on student learning and uses technology as a tool to support this end.

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Experience and Qualifications

SMART NOTEBOOK 10 CERTIFIED TRAINER 2008

Completed three day training to become certified to train fellow educators on effective uses of the Notebook 10 software.

STUDENT TEACHER SPRING 2002
Ben Franklin Elementary School *Bethel Park, Pennsylvania*

Taught a self-contained fourth grade classroom. This involved preparing and implementing lesson plans for all subjects. During this time, co-coordinated the Hop-a-Thon for Leukemia/Lymphoma.

MENTOR/VOLUNTEER 1998
Halls Cross Roads Elementary *Aberdeen, Maryland*

Mentored in the S.T.A.R. program helping at-risk students. Also tutored one-on-one as well as small group instruction.

Education

MASTERS OF EDUCATION AND PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATION <i>California University of Pennsylvania</i>	2007-2008 <i>California, Pennsylvania</i>
B.A. ELEMENTARY EDUCATION <i>Point Park University</i>	2000-2002 <i>Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania</i>
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION <i>Harford Community College</i>	1997-2000

Interests and Activities

NSTA MEMBER	2006-PRESENT
UMPIRE <i>Various</i>	1995-PRESENT
Member of various distinguished umpire organizations, umpiring games for players from age seven to adult.	
CLOWN	1990-PRESENT
Entertain children and adults at birthday parties, hospitals, nursing homes, company picnics and other types of gatherings. Organized games, activities, face painting, balloon creations and magic tricks.	



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July 2, 2014

Mr. Joseph Oliphant
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South Park, PA 15129

Dear Mr. Oliphant:

This letter is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on July 1, 2014 Council approved your appointment to serve as a member of the Council of Friends to South Park for a term to expire on July 1, 2016.

We congratulate you on your appointment and wish you the best of luck in this undertaking. We look forward to receiving your recommendations and stand willing to assist you in any way you believe appropriate.

Sincerely,

John Palmiere
District 6 Representative

cc: Andy Baechle, Director, Allegheny County Parks Department

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