



My name is Bruce Melendy and I am running for the School Board – 1 year position.

I have lived in Danville since 1991. I moved to Danville when I was promoted to Sergeant with the Vermont State Police. I grew up in Barre Town and after graduating from Williamstown High School in 1978, entered the United States Marine Corps. I served four years in the Marines, achieving the rank of Sergeant and was Honorably Discharged in August, 1982. While in the Marine Corps, I became a Military Policeman, which began my interest in Law Enforcement. I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Human Services from Springfield College.

I served with the Vermont State Police from June 1983 until December 31, 2010, when I retired as a Lieutenant. I am currently employed as the Emergency Management Coordinator for Northeastern Vermont Development Association where I work with communities in Caledonia, Essex, and Orleans Counties to keep their Emergency Plans updated and I participate in training exercises with Fire Departments, Law Enforcement Agencies, local Schools and local Hospitals. I work closely with the State of Vermont Division of Emergency Management/Homeland Security on conducting exercises and work at the State Emergency Operations Center during a state-wide emergency.

I am also employed at Northeast Sports Network where I broadcast high school and college sporting events such as baseball, basketball, football, soccer, and softball games throughout Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, and New York.

My wife Donna and I have been actively involved in the Danville Community for many years. I have been on the Danville School Board since 2016 and been the School Board Chair since 2017. I previously served on the Danville School Board from 1999-2004. I decided to seek election to the School Board in 2016 out of my concern for Act 46. Working with our Administration and other School Board Members I believe Danville School has weathered the Act 46 issue very well. Many schools across the state have either closed or are having enrollment issues since Act 46 was enacted. Our student numbers are good as we continue to attract tuition students and most of our resident students attend Danville. I would like to serve on the Danville School Board to continue the work our Administration and Board Members have done to attract students to Danville as well as work on other issues we face such as the needs of our School Building to make it a safe and healthy environment for our staff, students, and all who visit the Danville School. I believe in practicing fiscal responsibility understanding the burden increased taxes puts on our community. I believe it is important as a Board member to be as transparent as possible while respecting certain issues must be kept confidential for those involved. I believe it is important to teach our children the importance of community service. All three of our children graduated from Danville High School and are active in their communities serving as Coaches, Religious Education Teachers, and a volunteer Firefighter.

We have seven grand-children. Five of them reside in Danville and either are or will be attending Danville School. I enjoy camping at Sugar Ridge Campground in Danville during the summer months as well as boating, playing golf, going for rides in our convertible with Donna and in the winter months I enjoy snowmobiling. Most of all I enjoy time spent with my family.

I would appreciate your support for another one year term on the Danville School Board.