

Lauren Nels

Candidate for Secretary 2023-25

Degrees held, Institution(s), and Other Education:

- SUNY Oswego, Master of Arts in Teaching (Art Education) 2008
- SUNY Cortland, Cortland, NY. Bachelor of Arts (Studio Art, Sculpture and Painting) 2006
- University of Ballarat, Australia at Arts Academy (February-July 2005)

Teaching Experience

- Sept 2009-Present
Art Teacher—Homer Junior High School, Curriculum Area Lead Teacher
- Sept 2009-2015
Art Teacher—Homer Junior High School and Hartnett Elementary School
- Sept-June 2008
BOCES Itinerant Art Teacher—Smith Elementary School, Cortland, NY; Hartnett Elementary School, Homer, NY; Parker Elementary School, Cortland, NY

NYSATA Activities at State and/or Regional Level

- 2019-Present Conference Exhibitor/Vendor Coordinator
- 2019-2021, 2023 Alternate Board of Trustee Representative
- 2014-2019 Secretary Region 3 NYSATA
- 2012-2014 Vice-Chair Region 3 NYSATA
- Nov 2009, 2014-2016, 2019, 2022 Presenter at NYSATA Conference
- 2015-present NYSATA Region 3 Member Art Show Coordinator
- Sept 2006- Present Member of NYSATA

Other Significant Experience

- 2014-Present Curriculum Area Lead Teacher Art Department Chair, Homer, NY
- November 2020 *Ithaca Murals & Ithaca Hummus #GetOutTheVote* Grant Recipient
- October 2019 Artist, *The Almighty Cup* Show 2019, Gandee Gallery, Fabius, NY
- August 2019 *Art in the Windows* Grant recipient, CNY Arts
- November 2015 NYSATA Region 3 Art Educator of the Year
- Oct 2007 Nominated for National Art Education Student Achievement Award