



Biography of Stephanie Pax Flanigan

Stephanie Pax Flanigan was Head of School of the Montessori School of Denver (MSD) for 18 years, after serving as Assistant Head of School and, prior to working at the school, as the Chair of the Board of Trustees. Stephanie was actively involved in the Association of Colorado Independent Schools as its President for six years, leading numerous accreditation teams as well as serving for many years as the Chair of its accreditation committee. Stephanie loves to mentor and coach heads of school and boards on leadership and governance and has worked with all types of schools. She is a member of the Community Board of the Friends School in Boulder, CO, was a member of the Graland Country Day School Board of Trustees in Denver, CO and the Head's Council of Hathaway Brown School in Cleveland, Ohio, of which she is an alumna. She is a frequent presenter at the American Montessori Society Annual Conference and the National Association of Independent Schools Annual Conference.

Stephanie has a lifelong interest in the performing arts and has been a member of the Board of Directors of Curious Theater Company, a small regional theater group in Denver, and the Board of Trustees of Colorado Ballet, where she served as Secretary. Stephanie holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in American Studies from Mount Holyoke College and a Juris Doctorate degree from Case Western University School of Law. Prior to working with schools, Stephanie worked for 15 years as a trial lawyer in Boston, Washington, DC and Denver.

Stephanie and her husband, John, are the proud parents of three children, James, Conor, and Allegra, all of whom attended MSD and graduated from Colorado independent schools.