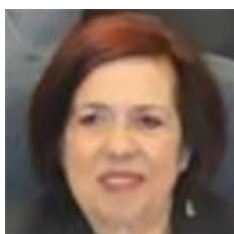


# LEADERS AMONG US

Getting to Know Your Presidents from ECASB Member Districts



Frontier Central School  
Board of Education President  
Dr. Mary Ann Costello

*"My lifetime goal is to leave a place better than before. I was there (at Frontier) for the sake of all students."*

**District leader**

**World  
Language  
Teacher**

## Giving Back to the District -

**Dr. Mary Ann Costello is no stranger to education. Dr. Costello has a Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Spanish Education from the State University College at Buffalo, a Masters Degree in Education from Canisius College, a School Administration Degree from Fredonia State College and she earned her Ed. D in School Administration from the State University of New York at Buffalo (UB). She retired from the Frontier CSD in 2016 where she held many different positions. She began her career at Frontier CSD as a World Language teacher, served as an Assistant Principal and Principal of the High School, Staff Development Assistant, Assistant Superintendent for Information Technology CIO, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum Instruction.**

Dr. Mary Ann Costello has just completed her first 5 year term, and was recently re-elected to a 4 yr. term on the Board of Education. She has served in the past as Vice-President, on the Finance and Budget Committee, the Policy Committee, the Audit Committee and the Facilities Committee. Dr. Costello is active in the community and served as the alternate to ECASB's Legislative Committee and the Delegate Assembly Committee. She ran for the Board of Education after having been employed by the district for 39 years as a way to give back to the District. Her goal is to provide students with a safe and healthy environment to learn and become successful global citizens.

Dr. Costello's mentors/heroes are her parents who taught her the value of a life well lived, to be caring, honest and trustworthy. Two famous quotes that stand out include Eleanor Roosevelt - "Well behaved women rarely make history", and from Edmund Burke - "The only thing necessary for evil to triumph is for good people to do nothing".

If Dr. Costello could send a message to Albany/ Washington, D.C. it would be to do the right thing to forge alliances that help our citizens, and to stop being concerned about the political party faithfulness - 'do what is right'.

**Buffalo State College, Canisius College,  
Fredonia College & University of Buffalo**

**ECASB Legislative and Delegate Assembly Committees**

*"The distance learning caused by the pandemic was a valiant effort to engage students in learning. It lacked the personal face to face socialization of students with each other and with teachers and staff. Cocurricular offerings for students were greatly reduced."*

**"My favorite places to dine in the community / school district are Rodney's Restaurant and Ilios DiPaolo's Restaurants."**