

## James McDermott - ECASB Vice-President

"One of the most rewarding parts about serving on the Maryvale School Board has been seeing students honored at our monthly meetings. These students that are honored stand out from the rest. They help teachers, they help other students...they portray what it is to be genuinely hind and caring - and that is what a 'Maryvale Flyer' is!"

After serving as the ECASB Treasurer for two year, James McDermott was tapped to serve as the ECASB Vice President for the organization. Mr. McDermott was appointed to the Maryvale USFD in October of 2018. In May of 2019, he ran and was elected for a 5-year term. He enjoys listening to his constituents and being able to help to formulate ways to address the concerns of the community members. While serving as Treasurer of ECASB, James took an active role in updating the organizations by-laws. He served on a committee to develop an investment policy for ECASB. He was instrumental in developing a Financial Procedures manual for ECASB. James will be serving as the Vice President of the Maryvale UFSD Board of Education this year.

James has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology from the University of Buffalo. Currently employed at Bank of America NA, as a A Rising Star recipient in 2019, James received the Shining Star Award in 2020, 2021

and 2022.

In addition to serving on the Maryvale USFD School Board, James is a member of the Rental Assistance Corp of Buffalo, Junior Achievement of WNY, and has served on the Buffalo Zoological Society Executive Board from 2008 - 2010 and was the President of the Buffalo Zoological Society Pro-Zoo Board from 2007 - 2010.

James and his wife of 20 years, Jennifer, have two children. Aaron (24) is a graduate of the Maryvale School District and his daughter Dakota (17) is currently a junior at Maryvale High School. When not serving on the School Board or on one of the community boards, James and his family enjoy camping, hiking and experiencing the outdoors as often as they possibly can. They also enjoy a good campfire whenever possible. His lifetime retirement goal is to travel the country in a Recreational Vehicle and see the United States.