## **Citizen Recipients**



Sara Pocklington currently serves as Chair of the Lake Oswego School Board. Time and again, she has demonstrated her commitment to the educational needs of the students and families in Lake Oswego. One of Sara's strengths is her ability to listen and truly hear the input and opinions of every stakeholder in the district. She uses that input to inform her decisions on the Board.

Sara is an advocate for all students - with particular attention to students

who experience disabilities. It has long been her opinion that Lake Oswego cannot be the best school district in the state, with the best educational outcomes, if that is not true for each and every student, especially those who are most marginalized. She sees student learning differences as a variability rather than a disability.

Sara also led the Board in the work of crafting the district's current Strategic Plan, a document that delineates the priorities of the district.

Importantly, during this past year, Sara demonstrated an ongoing commitment to supporting the entire district staff in adapting teaching and learning processes as the pandemic forced change after change to our normal systems.