

Helen Cope

Class of 1964

MCHS Hall of Fame Induction 2020

Volunteer and support personnel often make the difference in quality and impact and alumna Helen Cope, Class of 1964, over and over helps influence that transformation.

Whether it entails a 6 a.m. ring to substitute two hours away, work with theatre students late into the night without financial compensation or connect with students decades younger, Cope gladly and professionally fulfills that mission. For Cope, those few minutes between class periods allow hallway interaction with cheerful hellos and words of encouragement.



An energetic student during her own MCHS tenure, she never lost the desire to be involved and magnetize others to the activity circle. After she graduated high school, life took her to Chicago, Indianapolis, Austin and Wichita, but her hometown affinity eventually brought her back full circle.

One of her first acts of educational immersion included being elected to a four-year term on the Board of Trustees for Madison Consolidated Schools. As a member, she led with vision, responsibility and compassion for a time period in children's lives that helps mold and often determines that young person's future.

For the 2014-15 academic year, Cope expanded her role even more as board president. In addition to trustee duties, she also served as secretary and member of the corporation's Education Foundation which funds the program for academic teams and individual classroom projects.

Cope always has the heart and commitment to help the students of Madison Consolidated Schools, both academically and personally.

This graduate truly follows the adage "if you want to influence the future, touch a young person's life."