



Alexandra Prime

Alex Prime lives in Dolores with her husband Chris, their nine-year-old twins and two dogs. She fell in love with the Four Corners region and Southwest Colorado many years ago as a college student during anthropology field trips with Colorado College.

Alex believes her background in fundraising, education and community leadership, makes her a strong candidate for the Dolores School Board. If elected to the Dolores School Board, Alex looks forward to carrying out the goals of the Strategic Plan and the Campus Master Plan as well as improving outcomes and opportunities for all students.

Most recently, Alex served as the Community Engagement Coordinator for United Way of Southwest Colorado, raising close to 90 thousand dollars annually for local nonprofit agencies in Montezuma and Dolores counties. In this role, Alex gained a deep understanding of the socio-economic needs of families throughout the region. She co-chaired the Program Planning Committee for Southwest Rural Philanthropy Days, a regional conference that was hosted in Cortez last September. The conference brought skill-building, collaborative and funding opportunities to nonprofits and community organizations in the five-county region of Southwest Colorado. As part of this event, Alex developed three tour itineraries for Foundations from the Front Range to gain a more in-depth view of the strengths, challenges, opportunities and threats facing our region.

After college, Alex was offered a graduate teaching assistantship at Canyonlands Field Institute in Moab, Utah, where she taught natural history, led wilderness expeditions, and guided river trips for youth. After a few seasons as an outdoor educator/guide, she settled in Durango to pursue a Secondary Teaching License at Fort Lewis College. Soon after, she was hired at an alternative boarding school in the Animas Valley where she taught project-based Social Studies courses, led backpacking trips, and took students on interdisciplinary classes throughout the Southwest and on a curricular exchange to Denmark.

In 2001, she was hired at Crow Canyon Archaeological Center in the Cultural Explorations Department. There, she was able to combine her educational background in Anthropology with her skills in program coordination and guiding to develop and lead archaeological tours in the Southwest and internationally, with renowned Archaeologists.

In 2009, Alex and her husband Chris, were blessed with twins: Ansel and Calliope. At that time, Alex shifted gears in order to work from home and care for the twins. She was hired as the Program Coordinator for Leadership Montezuma and High School Montezuma. During that time, she gained a deep understanding for many different facets of Montezuma and Dolores Counties and networked with a broad cross-section of community leaders.

As a parent, Alex has been actively involved in her children's education. She has served as a classroom volunteer and founding PTO member at the Children's Kiva, where her children attended preschool through first grade. As a parent at Dolores Elementary, she has volunteered in the classroom and on field trips. She has also enjoyed substitute teaching at Dolores for all subjects and all grades. In addition, she is a volunteer coach for Tri-City Soccer Association.

In her free-time, Alex enjoys growing vegetables, spending time with her family and exploring the mountains, rivers, trails, and canyons of Southwest Colorado.