

Hello, *I'm Alicia!*

Hi, I am Alicia Woods. I have been with ASD and TOTEM for 24 years. I started my ASD career working in a Title 1 school and have worked in many positions, including Parent Worker/Noon Duty, substitute para pro, elementary school secretary, and Administrative Assistant. Now, I am the Administrative Assistant at Denali Montessori.

I started serving on the TOTEM board as a non-instructional member-at-large and am currently the Secretary. I am from a union family, so I was excited to help support and grow our union. I take my role as a board member seriously and participate actively in all TOTEM events. As one of the volunteer TOTEM Certified CPR Trainers, I love connecting with the TOTEM members who have attended the many classes that TOTEM has held.

Passionate about TOTEM rights, I have made the most of my time on the TOTEM Board by getting involved in different committees and trying to further TOTEM's mission to improve our members' lives. I also am a Union representative to protect TOTEM employees' rights during difficult meetings with supervisors.

I have pursued my passion for unions by continuing my education with classes on unions. I have attended Union 101, presented by the APEA staff. I currently serve on the boards of APEA and EPIC. Knowing which Legislative Representatives support educators and unions is vital for the future of public education and unions.

Dedicated to the union, I am fearless in taking on challenges and always willing to step in and help when needed. I constantly research information before it is presented to the members to ensure its correctness.

Knowing how unappreciated members feel working in ASD, I was proud to be on the negotiation team for the second time, fighting to improve TOTEM members' working conditions. As a result, the TOTEM team negotiated a \$4.00 raise for everyone. As the Secretary, I want to continue promoting the TOTEM mission and improving the members' lives.

