

Alex Lopez, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP



Alex is a Principal Architect and Project Development Leader at Performance Services and is very involved in the community. He serves on the Board of Directors of Invest Aurora, is a Commissioner on the City of Elgin Planning & Zoning Board and is serving a four-year term as a Trustee in Elgin Township as an Elected Official as well as a liaison on the 708 Mental Health Board. With over 24 years of experience, he has provided exceptional design and client management skills for the development of a multitude of educational projects. His passion, talent, commitment as well as intimate knowledge of current pedagogies have made him one of Performance Services Educational Design Leaders. Alex's extensive design experience in Higher Education, High School, Elementary School, and Auditorium Theaters continue to keep him at the forefront of Education Design. He most recently led the design and development of the award-winning Hinsdale Middle School in Hinsdale, Illinois as well as the new 5th Ward School in Evanston, Illinois (currently on the boards).

Alex's goals and objectives as the Vice President of the AIA NEI chapter are to invest himself in reaching out to young students and young professionals of under-represented backgrounds and help to engage them in leadership roles within their firms and communities. Teaching and mentoring have been something he has enjoyed throughout his 24-year career and passing-on what his knowledge is something he takes great pride and responsibility in. Alex has been married 28 years to his high school sweetheart, Carli. Their daughter Abigail followed in Carli's footsteps and is an Educator, their son Elijah is a senior at Northwestern University. Alex is an avid SCUBA diver; in the Summer he enjoys cross-country motorcycle rides on his Harley and in the winter, you will find him at every home game in section 102 at Soldier Field cheering on the Bears.