

BUCHANAN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

The Board of Education of Buchanan Community Schools is in search of a new superintendent.

The district of Buchanan Community Schools is located in southwest Michigan, about fifteen minutes north of the Indiana border, an hour and a half west of Chicago and a half hour south of Benton Harbor. The community is a rural/agricultural area with many natural areas, lakes and rivers nearby.

Buchanan community Schools is the centerpiece of the community. Pride within the school and pride from the community toward the school are apparent everywhere. The district features a veteran Board of Education and staff members who are innovative and committed to the children of the community. The sense of belonging and belief that the district has their best interests at heart is readily articulated by the students.

District Data

- Enrollment 1525
- Teachers 92
- Administrators 13
- Paraprofessionals 12
- Support Staff/Other Staff 14
- Other staff 52
- School buildings 4
- Foundation grant per pupil \$7,391
- Annual operating budget
 - Revenue \$20,062,139
 - Expense \$16,643,625
- Projected fund balance \$3,418,514
- Tax Base (2019 SEV) \$376,063,836
- Non-Homestead Levy 18 mills
- Debt Retirement
4.2 mills

Board of Education (Year Appointed)

Dennis Wentworth, President (2013)

Sandy Tobler, Vice President (2010)

Ruth Writer, Secretary (2012)

Dr. Harvey Burnett (1998)

James DeVlaminck, Treasurer (2010)

Christopher Lee, Trustee (2017)

Kelly Laesch, Trustee (2013)

Salary and Contract Information

The Board will offer a comprehensive, multi-year contract. Compensation will be commensurate with experience of the successful candidate and requirements of the position. A preliminary salary range of \$110,000 to \$130,000 has been established.

Application Procedure

Interested candidates should complete and submit an online application.

Completed online applications must be submitted no later than 4:00 pm on June 24, 2020. No “hard copy,” fax or emailed copies accepted. IF requested by the candidate, materials will be treated confidentially through the screening process. Candidate names will become public at the time an interview is scheduled.

All questions regarding the search should be directed to Mark R. Dobias, Consultant, Michigan Association of School Boards, at 269.532.0543 or mrdobias@gmail.com.

Search Timeline

Action	Date
Application deadline	June 24
Selection of candidates to interview	July 1
First round interviews	July 13, 14
Second round interviews/First Opportunity for Board Selection of Superintendent	July 20
Board visitation (if necessary)	TBD
Second Opportunity for Board Selection of Superintendent	July 21
Start date	September 1