

### **River Valley School District**

The Board of Education for River Valley School District is in search of a new superintendent.

River Valley Schools strives to accomplish its mission statement of, "Provide a Quality Education for all students." In order to achieve this mission, River Valley has identified the need to expand programs, foster diverse learning environments, improve communication, retain qualified staff and ensure the facilities are properly maintained.

River Valley provides students with access to Early Middle College, Dual Enrollment as well as Advance Placement and in-house college courses. We also enhance learning through our PRIDE sessions and TEAMS programs to focus on identified needs of our students. River Valley has provided learning through programs like the community garden and Robotics. Further, we offer community luncheons to enhance communication with our district residents and an annual Family Engagement Series in collaboration with community organizations within the district.

The district utilizes a sinking fund which has afforded us the opportunity to fix/replace roofs, parking lots as well as establish a fitness center. In the past, the district was fortunate to obtain a QZAB to upgrade windows, furniture and the HVAC at Three Oaks Elementary. The QZAB has provided the district with a near interest-free loan.

#### **District Data**

- Enrollment- 568
- Teachers- 42.5
- Administrators- 10 (7 admin and 3 supervisors)
- Counselors/social workers- 2 counselors, 1 social worker, 1 family therapist
- Paraprofessionals- 15
- Office Staff- 7
- Support Staff/Other Staff- 1 tech support, 5 custodial, 6 food service, 10 drivers, 1 head mechanic
- School buildings- 3
- Foundation grant per pupil- \$14, 692 (out of formula)
- Annual operating budget
  - Revenue- \$9,572,968
  - Expense- \$9,545,739
- Projected fund balance- 29.85%
- Tax Base- PRE \$344,395,523; Industrial/Commercial \$11,404,900; Non-PRE \$444,821,021
- Non-Homestead Levy- 18 mills

**Board of Education**

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**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 \$115,000 to \$130,000 has been established.

**Application Procedure**

Interested candidates should complete and submit an online application found at <https://masb.myrevelus.com/client/search/48>. Completed online applications must be submitted no later than 4:00 pm on June 22, 2021. 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 Jay D. Bennett, Assistant Director of Executive Search Services, Michigan Association of School Boards, at 517.327.5928 or [jbennett@masb.org](mailto:jbennett@masb.org).

**Search Timeline**

Action	Date
Application deadline	June 22, 2021, @4pm
Selection of candidates to interview	June 28, 2021
First round interviews	TBD
Second round interviews/First Opportunity for Board Selection of Superintendent	TBD
Board visitation (if necessary)	TBD
Second Opportunity for Board Selection of Superintendent	TBD
Start date	August 9, 2021