

## **Manistique Area Schools**

The Board of Education for Manistique Area Schools is in search of a new superintendent.

Manistique is a thriving, picturesque city located on the southern shores of Lake Michigan in Schoolcraft County, one of the largest counties geographically in Michigan, extending almost to Lake Superior on the north. Manistique offers a very attractive cost of living and maintains a variety of industries including paper-making, limestone mining, wood harvesting, in-town city businesses, and year-round tourism. Manistique offers a variety of seasonal activities including skiing, fishing, hunting, hiking, camping, biking, and many other recreational opportunities on land and water.

Manistique Area School District encompasses most of Schoolcraft County including the City of Manistique and 6 townships. The total area of the district is 880 square miles. The district operates an elementary school, a middle-high school, and a 9-12 alternative school. The district employs a full time superintendent, full time principal per building, and a full time technology director. The district also maintains a partnership with business to offer a student-run coffee shop – The Grind – near the high school campus. The public and school library are maintained cooperatively with the district. The Administrative offices are located at 100 North Cedar Street, in the middle-high school building.

The Board is seeking a superintendent who is a strong, collaborative leader with a solid background in school finance and curriculum.

### **District Data:**

- 720 Students
- 43 Teachers
- 3 Administrators
- 2 Counselors/Social Workers
- 19 Paraprofessionals
- 5 Office Staff
- 29 Support Staff/Other Staff
- 3 School Buildings
- \$9,150 Foundation Allowance (22-23)

- Annual Operating Budget
  - ~ Revenue \$10,486,437
  - ~ Expense \$11,315,917
- Projected Fund Balance \$2,426,888
- Tax Base (2023 TV) \$356,412,227
- Non-Homestead Levy \$3,547,910
- Debt Retirement Millage 1.65 mills
- Sinking Fund Millage 1.50 mills

### **Board of Education**

Rae Birr, President (12 yrs.)

Krista Maline, Vice-President (7 yrs.)

Sara Giles, Secretary (2 yrs.)

Jill Connin, Treasurer (9 yrs.)

Jason Jackson, Trustee (4 yrs.)

Tara LaCroix, Trustee (1 yr.)

Lacey Agawa, Trustee (1 yr.)

### **Salary and Contract Information**

The Board will offer a competitive wage and benefit package that reflects the experience and education of the candidate chosen. A preliminary salary range of \$110,000 to 125,000 has been established.

### **Application Procedure**

Interested candidates should complete and submit an online application found at:

<http://www.masb.org/education-careers.aspx>

No “hard copy”, fax, or emailed copies accepted. IF requested by the candidate, materials will be treated confidentially through the screening process. Candidates names will become public at the time an interview is scheduled.

Candidates are asked to NOT reach out to Board members directly. All questions regarding the search should be directed to Dr. Tim Hall, Consultant, Michigan Association of School Boards at (906) 440-5353 or

[tim.hall.masb@gmail.com](mailto:tim.hall.masb@gmail.com)

## Search Timeline

Action	Date
Application deadline	September 19, 2023, 4:00 pm
Selection of candidates to interview	September 27, 2023
First round interviews	October 17-18, 2023
Second round interviews/First opportunity for Board Selection of Superintendent	October 25, 2023
Board Visitation (If necessary)	TBD
Start date	January 1, 2024