Vassar Public Schools

The Board of Education for Vassar Public Schools is in search of a new superintendent.

The Vassar Public School District is located approximately fifteen miles east of Saginaw and seven miles northeast of Frankenmuth in Tuscola County, an area commonly referred to as the "Thumb" of Michigan. The area making up the school district was first settled in 1849 by Mr. Townsend North, who was awarded 3,000 acres of Tuscola timberland for building a bridge across the Cass River in 1835. The area that makes us the school district was primarily used for lumber production until 1881 when forest fires ravaged the area; ironically, this benefited the county by clearing the land for agriculture which is still active today. Much of the farming in the community today is made up of large, single family farms.

The children of this community are educated on three campuses within the City of Vassar.

- Townsend North Elementary School, built in 1952, houses the B4K and HeadStart programs.
- Central Elementary School, built in 1995, houses students in Kindergarten 5th grade.
- Vassar Middle School was built as an addition to the High School in 1969 for grades 6 8.
- High School, built in 1960, houses grades 9 12.

Just east of the City of Vassar, the district also handles the educational needs of Clarence Fischer Center and Vassar House, which at one time was the state's largest private juvenile detention center. Run by Wolverine Human Services, the facility has approximately 50 adjudicated youth "campers" housed for periods of six months to a year. During their stay, the district, through its on-site staff, provides educational programs leading to a high school diploma.

District Data:

- Students 876
- Teachers 64
- Administrators- 4
- Counselors/social workers/nurse 4
- Support Staff 46
- Office Staff 7
- Other staff 4
- School buildings 5

- \$9,608 Foundation grant per pupil
 - Annual operating budget
 - o Revenue 12,702,153
 - Expense 12,702,891
- Projected fund balance 2,796,841
- Tax Base(2013 SEV) 289,206,058
- Non-Homestead Levy 17.8312
- Debt Retirement 3.0

| Name | Board Position | First Elected/Appointed |
|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Robb Atwood | President | 4/21/2017 |
| Russ Hubbard | Vice President | 7/1/2000 |
| Jon Genow | Secretary | 1/1/2019 |
| Brian Rondo | Treasurer | 1/1/2021 |
| Hobert Baker | Trustee | 1/1/2021 |
| Steve Franko | Trustee | 11/11/2021 |
| Bobbi Jo Lesko | Trustee | 1/1/2023 |

Salary and Contract Information

The Board will offer a comprehensive, multi-year contract. Compensation will be commensurate with the experience of the successful candidate and the requirements of the position. A preliminary salary range of \$115,000 to \$135,000 has been established.

Application Procedure

Interested candidates should complete and submit an online application found at https://masb.myrevelus.com/.

Completed online applications must be submitted no later than 4:00 pm on April 23, 2024. 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.

Candidates are asked not to contact board members directly. All questions regarding the search should be directed to Penny Kentish McWilliams, Consultant, Michigan Association of School Boards, at 810-444-9874 or pkentish@aol.com.

Search Timeline

| Action | Date |
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| Application deadline | April 23, 2024 |
| Selection of candidates to interview | May 1, 2024 |
| First round interviews | May 11, 2024 |
| Second round interviews/First Opportunity for Board Selection of Superintendent | May 15, 2024 |
| Board visitation (if necessary) | To be determined |
| Second Opportunity for Board Selection of Superintendent | May 28, 2024 |
| Start date | July 1, 2024 |