

PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
PRELIMINARY POSTING

The Board of Education for Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools is in search of a new superintendent. This is an outstanding opportunity to lead a first-class, rural school system with a long history of meaningful relationships in service to the community.

Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools is in Clinton and Ionia Counties, approximately 15 minutes east of Ionia and 30 minutes northwest of Lansing. From the district it is a short drive to the I-96 corridor and the Portland exit. The district includes the communities of Pewamo, Matherton, and Westphalia. These small, close-knit communities support the school system and provide a value-based environment which is embedded in the district.

Pewamo-Westphalia is renowned for its success in academics, athletics, and fine arts for all students. The community embraces a high quality of life and is very supportive of its schools. In 2023-2024, U.S. News and World Reports named the high school on its list of **BEST HIGH SCHOOLS**, while the elementary received **BEST ELEMENTARY PUBLIC SCHOOLS** designation in 2024.

District Data:

- Enrollment-636
- Teachers - 37
- Administrators - 8
- Counselors/social workers - 1
- Paraprofessionals - 11
- Office Staff - 6
- Support Staff/Other Staff - 18
- Other staff - 1
- School buildings - 2
- Foundation grant per pupil - \$8,111
- Annual operating budget
 - Revenue-\$10,369,281
 - Expense-\$10,826,863
- Projected fund balance-\$2,143,685
- Tax Base (2013 SEV) - \$
- Non-Homestead Levy - 18 mills
- Debt Retirement
 - The total amount of long-term debt as of 6/30/2020 was \$12,880,460

Board of Education

Jason Hafner, President	13 years
Jim Pohl, Treasurer	11 years
Preston Weber, Secretary	5 years
Julie Farmer, Trustee	1 year
Lori Pung, Trustee	3 years
Jared Smith, Trustee	1 year
Brad Weber, Trustee	3 years

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 will be established and published soon.

Application Procedure

Interested candidates should complete and submit an online application found at [Superintendent of Pewamo-Westphalia Community Schools | Mi Ed Careers](#)

Note: The Selection Criteria will be added at a later date. MASB recommends that candidates wait to review the Selection Criteria prior to submitting an application.

Completed online applications must be submitted no later than 4:00 pm on the date of closing which is TBD. 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 Dobias, Consultant, Michigan Association of School Boards, at (269) 532-0543 or mrdobias@gmail.com.

Search Timeline

Action	Date
Application deadline	TBD
Selection of candidates to interview	TBD
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	July 1, 2026