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Allegan Area Education Service Agency selects finalists in search for Superintendent

Lenawee Intermediate School District Assistant Superintendent William Brown and Fennville Public Schools Superintendent Dirk Weeldreyer have been selected as the two finalists for the AAESA Superintendent position. The district plans to have a new superintendent selected by the end of May with a start date to be determined at a later time.

Second interviews will take place at 7:00 p.m. on May 16 and 17, in the AAESA Board Room – 310 Thomas Street, Allegan, MI 49010. Search Consultant Gary Rider said, “The public is strongly encouraged to attend. Feedback from the public is very valuable to the Board in the selection process.”

Mr. Rider is the Regional President of the Michigan Leadership Institute. He was selected by the Board to facilitate the search effort.

William Brown will interview on May 16. Mr. Brown has served as the Assistant Superintendent for Special Education and Strategic Initiatives for the Lenawee Intermediate School District since 2013. Before that he was the Director of Special Services for Northville Public Schools for two years. Mr. Brown holds a Master’s Degree in Educational Administration from Lincoln Memorial University.

Dirk Weeldreyer will interview on May 17. Mr. Weeldreyer has served as the Superintendent of Fennville Public Schools for the past eight years. Previously he was the High School/Middle School Principal at Martin Public Schools for five years. Mr. Weeldreyer holds Master’s Degrees in Education from Nazareth College and in Educational Leadership from Western Michigan University.

Mr. Rider said the next steps of the selection process will include opportunities for the board and district staff, to interact with the two finalists. He continued to say board members agreed unanimously that the two finalists best met criteria identified in the superintendent profile. The profile includes a list of characteristics generated through input from board members, community and business leaders, and AAESA staff members.

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