



Marion City Schools

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Superintendent Search for Marion City Schools

(Marion, OH) On May 31, the Marion City School Board approved the notice of resignation provided by Superintendent Dr. Ron Iarussi, effective July 31, 2022, during a special session.

At the June 20th board of education (BOE) meeting, Steve Mazzi will be recommended for interim superintendent, starting on August 1, 2022. Mazzi joined the district on May 9, 2022 as the interim assistant superintendent. He was the former superintendent at Big Walnut and most recently the HR director in Westerville. Interviews are being conducted now for the assistant superintendent role.

The first step in finding the next superintendent for Marion City Schools will be the consideration of hiring a superintendent search firm. The search firm that is selected will work with community stakeholders (teachers, staff, parents and Marion City community members and businesses). Focus groups will be created to help the BOE understand what to look for in the next leader. Community input is important to this process, and one the BOE takes seriously. There is no time-frame right now as to when the next superintendent will be appointed.

“The last few years have been a difficult time as we navigated through the pandemic, and our new normal,” said Kelly Mackay, board president. “We appreciate the challenging discussions at our board and community meetings and we understand we have much work ahead of us to make our district great. In addition, we want our community to be proud of our students, administrators, teachers and staff. We are working quickly, but responsibly, to ensure our students and staff have the best start for the 2022-23 school year.”

The public is invited to attend the following presentations for superintendent search firms. These meetings will be held in the Harding High School Community Room.

- Monday, June 20, 7:00 pm (or after the June BOE meeting), **Finding Leaders**, <https://www.findingleaders.com/>
- Thursday, June 23, 7:00 pm, **Ohio School Boards Association**, <https://www.ohioschoolboards.org/superintendent-and-treasurer-search-services>
- Tuesday, June 28, 6:00 pm, **K-12 Consulting**, <http://www.k12consulting.net/index.html>

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About Marion City Schools

At Marion City Schools, we want to inspire a community of achievement. We offer innovative experiences, educational options and learning programs not available in surrounding school districts. We search for ways to prepare students for not only academic success but success in college and careers as well. Our Four Pillars follow four distinct themes including Leadership, Learning, Literacy and Legacy. We want our students to leave high school with not only their diploma, but also acceptance into a two or four-year college, an adult training program, the military, or a high-paying, in-demand job.