

Press Release

Masconomet Regional School District School Committee
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Superintendent Search Committee

MASCO Superintendent Search – Candidate Profile

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[Boxford] The search committee has been carrying out a rigorous process since September 2018, with a goal of identifying candidates for superintendent to succeed Dr. Kevin Lyons who is retiring at the end of the school year.

There have been a total of four candidates that the search committee had selected to recommend to the school committee. Two of these have already participated in a full “vetting” process and were interviewed by the full school committee, but neither received enough votes to be selected. A third candidate withdrew moments before their candidacy was publicly announced. Following the advice of our search consultant from the Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC), the remaining candidate will continue with the public process, as had been previously decided.

The candidate being recommended for consideration is Dr. Michael Harvey.

CANDIDATE PROFILE*

Michael Harvey, Ed.D., has been the Superintendent of the Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District (HWRSD) since July of 2012. Since coming to the HWRSD (a K-12 district), Dr. Harvey has worked to develop and implement several innovative programs to prepare students for future success. These programs include a 1:1 iPad Program for students in grades 9-12, a Mandarin Chinese Language Program for middle and high school students, and a full-day kindergarten program at the elementary level.

Prior to coming to the HWRSD, Dr. Harvey was the Principal of Belmont High School, in Belmont, Massachusetts. At Belmont, Dr. Harvey was instrumental in developing programs to meet the needs of secondary school students in the 21st century, including a China-America student exchange program, the Belmont High Honors Program to increase the participation rates of minority students in Advanced Placement Courses and the creation of faculty study-groups to address the inclusion of 21st century skills in the curriculum.

Dr. Harvey has worked in education for over twenty years in the roles of Superintendent, High School Principal, K-12 Curriculum Director for Social Studies, Assistant Principal, and English and Social Studies Teacher. He holds a Bachelor’s Degree in English and History from Amherst College, a Master’s Degree in History from Northeastern University and a Doctorate in School Leadership from the University of Massachusetts at Lowell.

To view his resume and educational philosophy statement, [click here](#)

NEXT STEPS

In the next few weeks assessment of this candidate will include an extended public interview, site visits, reference checks, and meetings with the Masco faculty, staff and students, as well as community members and town leaders, all of whom will have the opportunity to submit their feedback. This process will culminate in an interview by the full Masconomet School Committee, followed by deliberation and vote.

MORE INFORMATION

Information regarding the search and the candidate, including his application packet, is available at <https://www.masconomet.org/Page/620> and will be updated regularly.

* Content of "candidate profile" section was submitted by the candidate.