The Position

The Stockton School District 206, Stockton, Illinois, Board of Education, is seeking a highly qualified and fully certified Superintendent. The Board wishes to have the successful candidate assume the responsibilities of the position July 1, 2020.

McPherson & Jacobson, L.L.C., Executive Recruitment and Development has been engaged as the consultant in a search for outstanding candidates. They will assist the Board of Education in identifying and screening the candidates.

The Qualifications

The candidate must have the background, skills, and abilities essential for excellence in Educational leadership. The Board recognizes that selecting a Superintendent is one of the most important decisions it will make. The Board developed the following desired characteristics.

1. A strong leader who is proficient in school finances, is a good grant writer and actively pursues funding sources. Should be knowledgeable and experienced with district operations and facilities management.
2. A person of integrity who is honest, trustworthy, positive and is respected as a caring professional who is passionate about students and education.
3. An innovative leader who is strong in curriculum and instructional leadership, curriculum development, implementation and evaluation.
4. An excellent communicator who builds strong relationships with various stakeholder groups including board, staff, students, parents and community members.

The District

The Stockton schools have a curriculum that adheres to the Illinois State Learning Standards with an emphasis on literacy in the lower grades, a Middle School curriculum that offers both exploratory and foundational offerings, and a High School curriculum that prepares students for the work place, the military, trade school, or the college/university. The High School curriculum features dual credit classes with Highland Community College, upper level science and math courses, AP English, a successful agriculture curriculum, vocational offerings at the Career Technical Education Academy housed in Elizabeth, and an award-winning fine arts program. In addition, the District offers successful programs for special needs students and is part of the Northwest Special Education Cooperative. Many of the District’s alumni have achieved many accolades in their chosen professions.

The Middle School and High School offer numerous co-curricular offerings with high levels of historical success in the fine arts, FFA, and athletics. The High School co-ops with Warren High School in speech, softball, baseball, and the girls’ track. In addition, the High School co-ops with Le-Win High School in wrestling.
The Community

The Stockton School District is located in Jo Daviess County, one of the most beautiful counties in Illinois with rolling hills, Apple Canyon State Park, ample fishing, hunting, and outdoor recreational opportunities including Chestnut Mountain Ski Resort. The county is bordered on the west by the Mississippi River. Dubuque, Iowa, features colleges and universities, and UW-Platteville and UW-Madison are one hour and two hours away respectively. The county features Galena, the home of President Ulysses S. Grant. The county still features a vibrant agrarian foundation. The town of Stockton was the home of the original Kraft Cheese Plant, and the village is located on Route 20, leading east to Freeport and Rockford. Stockton has a beautiful park, swimming pool, public library, and has a large variety of restaurants for all tastes. The downtown is busy with Hartig Drug and Ace Hardware serving as cornerstones to the business district. Stockton is located approximately 2.5 hours straight west from Chicago.

Vision Statements

- Representing a safe, respectful, tradition rich community
- Emphasizing knowledge, personal growth, and integrity in our students
- Promoting communication and collaboration among students, staff, and family

Board of Education

The Board of Education consists of seven members, elected to serve four year terms. The incumbency of the members ranges from 1 to 3 years.

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APPLICATION

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An application for superintendent should include:
- A letter setting forth personal qualifications, experiences and reasons for interest in the position.
- A current résumé.
- A completed application form.
- Reference letters, certificates and licenses, and academic transcripts from colleges/universities indicating degree(s).

Candidates are asked not to directly contact board members. Any effort to do so may eliminate them from consideration. Names of applicants will be held in strict confidence whenever possible; however, McPherson & Jacobson complies with individual states’ Freedom of Information laws. In the final process, the school board may visit the district where the candidate is employed, but will not proceed without the knowledge and consent of the candidate.

Selection Time Line

- Closing date for applications: May 14, 2020 (11:30 p.m. central time)
- Board of Education selects semi-finalists to interview: May 26, 2020
- Semi-finalists interviews with the Board of Education: May 30, 2020
- Finalists interviews with the Board of Education: June 2-4, 2020
- Selection of new Superintendent: June 4, 2020
- Start date: July 1, 2020

Stockton School District 206 is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The district does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or disability and, when needed, will provide reasonable accommodations to applicants and employees. Anyone requesting a reasonable accommodation in the application or recruitment process please contact McPherson & Jacobson at the address/phone/email above.