



GALENA UNIFIED SCHOOLS DISTRICT #499

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GALENA USD #499 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022 - 6:30 PM NEWS RELEASE

New Superintendent

- The board voted unanimously to make Mr. Toby VanCleave the next superintendent of Galena Schools. Mr. VanCleave is a Galena graduate and is completing his 29th year of service to the Galena students, staff and community. His Galena tenure includes 14 years as a middle school teacher and 15 years as a building administrator. Mr. VanCleave has been principal of Spring Grove Primary Center, Galena Middle School and is currently principal at the high school. Superintendent duties for Mr. VanCleave will officially begin July 1, 2023.

District Operations

With regard to District Operations:

- The board approved the district goals listed below affirming the eight existing goals and adding a ninth goal regarding student and staff safety. The board also identified action steps and indicators of success for each goal.
- The board was provided information regarding the PAC upgrade timeline.

Personnel

The board approved the following recommendations:

- Part Time custodial: Debbie Wade
- High School Volleyball Coach: Melissa Wesley
- Create an Evening Shift Custodial Supervisor role.

BOE Goals December 12, 2022

Purpose

Our belief is that a successful high school graduate is one who is equipped with the knowledge, skills and dispositions to achieve at high levels in the Information Age as a resilient, responsible, productive, collaborative, creative, critical thinker who provides leadership in a global community.

Long-term Strategic Goals

Communication - Promote positive relationships with all stakeholders to broaden understanding of the education of our students and support the mission of the Galena USD499 School District.

Curriculum - Prepare students to become lifelong learners and productive citizens incorporating rigorous and relevant curriculum that prepares students for college and careers.

Assessment - District and state assessments will be used to gather student learning data and identify areas of growth as well as areas for improvement. Progress monitoring data and state assessment data (Accountability Report) will be reported to the BOE on an annual basis.

Technology - Provide technology that is relevant and up to date. Expand the integration of technology to support learning, teaching, and the organizational needs of the district.

Student Support Services - Provide a district-wide support system to assist students and stakeholders with a wide range of academic, social, and emotional needs.

Long-term Strategic Goals - Continued

Professional Development - Develop professionals to improve student learning by supporting programs that align with federal and state and district reform initiatives that promote collegiality and collaboration, and improve instructional practices.

Personnel - Promote quality education by recruiting, retaining, and supporting highly qualified professionals.

Finance and Facilities - Support the mission of the school district with the appropriate management of financial resources to provide a safe and healthy learning environment.

Student Safety (new) - To ensure a safe and secure environment for all District students, staff, and visitors and to ensure the school district is prepared to effectively respond to all emergencies that might affect safety or security of students and staff.

The BOE will work with administrators annually to develop and update action steps to progress toward achieving the stated goals.

Upcoming Meetings

The next regular scheduled Board of Education meeting is Monday, January 9, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.