



Columbus Grove Local School District Superintendent Vacancy Announcement

About the District

The Columbus Grove Local School District is seeking an educational leader. The new superintendent will succeed Mr. Nick Verhoff who has been with the district for the past 13 years as superintendent.

Columbus Grove Local School is a rural school district located in northwest Ohio in Putnam County. District residents take extreme pride in their school district and communities.

The district consists of a PK-12 building with a total enrollment of 739 students.

Vocational students attend Apollo Career Center in Allen County, Ohio.

Columbus Grove Local Schools offers a well-rounded academic, co-curricular educational program in a small town setting.

The most recent Ohio report card score was 5 Stars. We were the only Putnam County School to receive this high of a rating.

District finances are in excellent shape.

In 2024, the Elementary school was named a National Blue Ribbon School.

In 2024, U.S. News and World Report ranked our High School 51st out of 1,000 High Schools.



The Search

The Columbus Grove Local School Board of Education is searching for an exceptional educational leader who will actively engage with the community and prioritize student achievement. The ideal candidate will demonstrate a deep commitment to student growth, fostering a learning environment that encourages both academic and personal development. This leader will possess strong interpersonal skills, enabling them to build impactful and authentic relationships with all stakeholders and expertly communicate the district's vision.

Application Deadline: April 19, 2025

Tentative Timeline

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April 19, 2025

Interviews Begin:
May 5, 2025

Contract Begins:
August 1, 2025

Board of Education:

Brian Jones, President
17 years

Ned Stechschulte,
Vice President - 19 years

Jon Diller—1 year

Kevin Schumacher—1
year

Mindy Troyer—1 year

Application Process

Please submit the following by April 19, 2025

- A letter emphasizing qualifications and reason for interest
- An updated resume
- A copy of current Ohio superintendent certificate or license or evidence that one is obtainable
- Credentials and transcripts
- Three (3) letters of reference
- Completed application materials should be sent to:
Mark K. Ellerbrock, Treasurer
Columbus Grove LSD
201 West Cross Street
Columbus Grove, Ohio 45830

Email: cg_treas@cg.noacsc.org; Phone: 419-659-4303; Fax: 419-659-5134

Qualifications

The successful candidate must be committed to the highest personal and professional standards and will demonstrate the following:

- √ Ohio superintendent or local superintendent certificate or license
- √ Successful experience as a superintendent, principal, or administrator
- √ Knowledge of Ohio school law, finance, budgeting, and collective bargaining
- √ Strong public relations skills and demonstrates ability to effectively communicate
- √ Ability to select, assign, supervise, and evaluate staff effectively
- √ Knowledge of technology and innovative school programs to provide educational opportunities to meet the needs of all students
- √ Possess visionary skills to lead the district with a long-range plan for educational excellence

Mision Statement and Equal Opportunity

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Columbus Grove Local School System is to educate and encourage all students to become active and productive citizens of our global society. We seek to develop lifelong skills, positive self-images, and to emphasize the idea that every person has intrinsic worth and dignity. The district will utilize, when possible, technology to provide a more self-directed, interactive, and integrated learning environment to promote life-long learning.

Equal Opportunity:

Employment opportunities are offered without regard to age, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin citizenship status, gender, handicap, or status as a Vietnam era or special disabled veteran.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total Valuation \$190, 215,530

Total Effective Mills

General Operating	28.00
Bond	1.50
Permanent Improvement	.50

Income Tax

General Operating	1.00%
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Expenditures (fiscal year 2023-2024)

General Fund	\$11.3 million
Total—All Funds	\$13.2 million

Receipts

	<u>Gen. Fund</u>	<u>All Funds</u>
Local Taxes	40%	37%
Local Other	6%	3%
State	53%	54%
Federal	1%	6%

Enrollment (current) 739

Staff

Certified: 61	Classified: 32	Administrative: 4
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