



## Hale Area Schools

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Dear Hale Schools Community,

Hale Area Schools is in the process of choosing a Superintendent to begin in the 2025-26 school year. Our Board of Education will meet on Monday, April 21st, 2025 and select candidates to interview. The selected candidates will interview on Monday April 28th and 29th, 2025. All meetings will be at 6:00 in the school library and you are urged to attend. During the interviews you will have the opportunity to fill out comment sheets and give them to the Board of Education for their consideration.

This community has an awesome school district. It is really a gem in this region of the state and your involvement only makes it better.

I would also like to address the administrative changes occurring within our school district. Mr. Michael Bowman, our K-12 Principal, is retiring at the end of this year. That has been his timeline since I arrived three years ago. I have also decided to look for employment closer to where my family resides in the thumb area. My family is over 90 minutes away from Hale, and the last year has seen some health and other concerns there. I love it in Hale, and it has a very supportive school community. This was not the timeline I had in mind, but I feel the needs of my family dictate it.

There is strength and growth in this school district. The timing of both of our departures is not ideal and is circumstantial, as I did not see this a year ago. However, due to the efforts of the current and past staff, as well as the Board of Education, Hale Area School is prepared for the new leadership additions.

Thank you for being such a large part of this school district's success. I hope you consider providing continued input, including during this Superintendent Search Process. Hale Area Schools is the destination for education in the area. It is an honor to serve here.

Educationally Yours,

Jeffrey J. Yorke, Superintendent  
Hale Area Schools

*Mission Statement: Our mission is to empower all students to be successful, lifelong learners in an ever-changing society, confident and respectful individuals who are able to live safe, happy, and active lives, and responsible citizens who make a positive contribution to their community.*