

FINANCIAL DATA

EAV.....	\$128,444,631
Bonds Outstanding	\$ 4,805,000
Total Budget Revenue.....	\$ 5,744,525
Mazon TIF District through 2038	\$ 3,851,320
TAX RATE —	
Education	2.53000
Operations & Maintenance	0.39588
Transportation	0.19794
Working Cash	0.04949
I.M.R.F.....	0.03893
Tort Immunity.....	0.15961
Bond & Interest.....	0.23640
Fire Prevention/Life Safety	0.04949
Social Security	0.03893
Other (Leasing).....	0.02513
TOTAL.....	3.74160

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Mazon-Verona-Kinsman ESD 2C Board of Education is comprised of citizens dedicated to providing the best education possible for every student it serves. Board members establish sound written policies and expect the superintendent to function as the chief executive officer in implementing those policies.

Name.....	*Years
Nik Weber, President	8
David Sientop, Vice President	3
Sarah Baker, Secretary	8
Dave Hammen, Board Member	1
Tim Kilmer, Board Member.....	1
Kelli Baudino, Board Member	1
Chris Harford, Board Member	1

**Years served on the Mazon-Verona-Kinsman ESD 2C Board of Education.*

IDEAL CANDIDATE

Candidates will be evaluated on their professional merits and successful experience that demonstrates a good match for the district, with emphasis on the following, specified by the Board of Education. The Superintendent of our district should be an educational leader who:

- Has excellent written and verbal communication skills/collaborative
- Fosters a professional culture for educators.
- Facilitates meaningful and ongoing family/ community engagement.
- Develops and works cooperatively/effectively with BOE.
- Has finance/budget expertise.
- Develops and supports curriculum, instruction and assessment.
- Develops a shared mission, vision and core values.
- Ensures an inclusive, safe school environment.

Residency in the district is preferred, but not required.

Candidates should have teaching and administrative experience.

APPLICANTS ARE REQUESTED NOT TO CONTACT BOARD MEMBERS.

Mazon-Verona-Kinsman ESD 2C is an equal opportunity employer and the Illinois Association of School Boards is an equal opportunity employment search agency.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

IASB has an online application process and does not accept mailed, emailed, hand-delivered or faxed application packets.

Please begin your application process at: <https://www.applitrack.com/IASB/onlineapp>

Applicants will need to establish a username and password. Applicants will be asked to give consent to a limited background inquiry. Completed responses to statements identified in this announcement will be required.

All applicants must apply online by 12:00 p.m. (CST) November 1, 2024 and upload the following documents to receive consideration:

1. A **formal letter of application** indicating your desire to be a candidate for this position.
2. A **formal resume** that includes a summary of achievements in all education positions, educational vision, and goals, personal leadership philosophy and reasons for your interest in this position.
3. At least **three recent letters of reference dated within the last three years.**
4. **Copies of transcripts** from each college/university attended. **(Please redact/remove your social security number and birthdate before uploading any of these items).**
5. **Proof of qualification and licensure to be a superintendent in the state of Illinois** (copy of the administrative licensure with all related endorsements*) or other evidence showing qualification to be a superintendent in another state. **(Please redact/remove your birthdate before you upload this document).**

*Information on certification and licensure can be obtained by contacting the Illinois State Board of Education, Department of Educator Effectiveness, 100 North First Street, Springfield, Illinois 62777 or by visiting the ISBE website at www.isbe.net.

Announcement of Vacancy
Superintendent
Mazon-Verona-Kinsman ESD 2C



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Mazon-Verona-Kinsman Elementary School District 2C is to help students become engaged learners who are responsible for their own learning. Students should become self-motivated, energized by their learning, and be able to define their own goals and evaluate their own achievement. The job of learning from the educational system and community should lead to a life-long passion for solving problems, seeking understanding and transferring knowledge to a variety of situations to become creative problem solvers.

September 2024

ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCY

The Board of Education of Mazon-Verona-Kinsman ESD 2C, Mazon, Illinois is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Superintendent. The Board wishes to select a superintendent who will begin work on July 1, 2025.

It is anticipated that the total compensation package will be based on successful experience and education. It is expected that the initial contract will be for a multi-year period, as authorized by Illinois statutes.

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE DISTRICT AND THE AREA

LOCATION — MVK is located in southern Grundy County off of IL Route 47, between I-80 and I-55. Both school buildings and the bus barn are all located in Mazon. MVK Elementary School is located at 513 8th Street, MVK Middle School and the District Office are located at 1013 North Street, and our bus barn is located at 802 North Street. The towns of Verona and Kinsman are to the west of Mazon.

TYPE — Blended PreK/EC-8; 330 Students.

OFFICE — 1013 North Street, Mazon, IL 60444.

STAFF — 2 Principals, 28 Teachers, 1 Social Worker, 37 Support Personnel.

CENTRAL OFFICE PERSONNEL — Superintendent and the Bookkeeper.

CURRICULUM — The District has recently adopted Big Ideas Math (2nd year) and Into Reading (3rd year). The district utilizes Foundations in grades K-3, Studies Weekly in grades 2-4, Mystery Science in grades K-2, and Houghton Mifflin Science in grades 3-8. Students also receive instruction in art, music, band, and physical education.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS — MVK offers many opportunities for students who demonstrate special academic abilities. The district provides enrichment and challenges for academically talented students. All teachers have been trained in and utilize differentiated instruction within their classes.

SPECIAL SERVICES — MVK offers Blended (Tuition Based) PreK, Early Childhood, full-day Kindergarten. Special education services and additional services (social worker, speech therapy, OT/PT, etc) are provided on site with either MVK staff or staff from the Grundy County Special Education Cooperative. Students who demonstrate greater needs are appropriately placed in Cooperative programs.

FACILITIES — MVK Elementary School houses students in grades Blended PREK/EC-4th grade. MVK Middle School houses students in grades 5th-8th. MVK also has a bus barn located off the main property for transportation services.

TRANSPORTATION — The District owns/leases buses and provides transportation services for MVK regular, special, and charter transportation. MVK also provides regular transportation and charter service for Seneca High School as part of an Intergovernmental Agreement.

FOOD SERVICE — The District has one food preparation site at the Middle School. The meals for the Elementary School are transported by District personnel. The food service program is run by the District.

DIST. WEBSITE — www.mvkmavericks.org

MEMBER OF — MVK is a member of IASB, IASA, and IPA. The District is also a member of IESA and competes in many different athletic/activities. The District also has an Intergovernmental Agreement with Seneca Grade School for participation in IESA Wrestling. Member of the Grundy County Special Education Cooperative and the LaSalle County Food Cooperative.

MEDICAL — Morris Hospital is located 10 miles north of Mazon. There are also satellite offices of OSF, Duly, and Riverside Hospital of Kankakee located in Coal City, Morris, and Dwight.

CULTURAL - Mazon is located approximately 1.5 hours southwest of Chicago, which has an endless array of cultural opportunities. The district is within Grundy and LaSalle County.

RECREATION — Mazon has a wonderful park located within the Village. Other areas close by are Dwight, several parks and a pool, Morris, several parks, a pool, and the I&M Canal Visitor Center. The Illinois River also provides opportunities for a variety of recreational activities. There are many festivals throughout the summer and fall in Grundy County. Starved Rock State Park is within an hour drive. There are also golf courses nearby.

PLACES OF WORSHIP — Within the District, there are a variety of faith options. Park Street Church in Mazon, the Verona Methodist, and Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Kinsman are within the district boundaries. Again, there are additional options in nearby Morris, Dwight, Seneca, and Coal City.

RETAIL — Dollar General, Casey's, and BP are all located within Mazon. Other shopping venues can be found in Morris, Joliet, Pontiac, and Bloomington.

FRATERNAL AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS — Mazon Masonic Lodge and Mazon American Legion.

COLLEGES — Joliet Junior College has a satellite campus in Morris, Illinois. There are many colleges/university options within an hour driving distance.

INDUSTRY — MVK is primarily a farming community. There are several farming related companies, i.e. GrainCo, Agri-Tile, Precision Ag, and Precision Tree Service to name a few. There is one industrial plant within the boundaries. The District is surrounded by a multitude of other industries, i.e. nuclear power plants, Amazon, Procter and Gamble, and Costco.

A PROJECTED TIMELINE

Application Deadline:
November 1, 2024 by Noon (CST)

Candidates Presented to Board:
December 2024

Board Interviews Candidates:
January 2025

New Superintendent Appointed:
March/April 2025

New Superintendent Begins:
July 1, 2025

Applicants will be required to provide responses to the following online application statements:

1. Describe your experience in curriculum development and instructional implementation.
2. Describe your experience in school finance and budgeting.
3. Describe your experience in developing and monitoring goals for school improvement.
4. Describe your experience in building and sustaining productive relationships with stakeholders (board, staff, students, parents and community members).
5. Describe your experiences in working with a diverse population (socio-economic, cultural, ethnic, etc.).
6. Having read the ideal candidate section of the announcement of vacancy, why do you feel you are a match for this district?
7. Are you aware of the residency requirement for this position; if applicable?

This Professional Superintendent Search is being conducted by the Illinois Association of School Boards, Carmen Ayala, Ph.D. Consultant Executive Searches, (630) 629-3776, ext. 1243

