

FINANCIAL DATA

EAV	\$ 91,636,972
Bonds Outstanding	\$ 5,959,698
Total Budget Revenue	\$ 13,492,242
TAX RATE —	
Education	3.028520
Operations & Maintenance.....	0.589640
Transportation.....	0.037084
Working Cash.....	0.058100
I.M.R.F.....	0.154520
Tort Immunity.....	0.242020
Bond & Interest.....	0.452800
Social Security.....	0.154520
Special Education.....	0.556260
Fire Prevention.....	.0043300
Lease.....	0.001240
TOTAL	5.279034

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Woodland CUSD 5 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
Eric Sass, President.....	14
Jeremy Adams, Vice President	10
Chad Gilkerson, Secretary	10
Eric Perhach, Board Member	15
Dan Reinmann, Board Member	13
Rebecca Sterling, Board Member	7
Alison Wissen, Board Member	2

**Years served on the Woodland CUSD 5 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 finance/budget expertise
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills/collaborative
- Develops and works cooperatively/effectively with BOE
- Develops a shared mission, vision and core values
- Ensures an inclusive, safe school environment
- Facilitates meaningful and ongoing family/community engagement
- Fosters a professional culture for educators

Previous successful teaching experience is required.

Previous successful administrative experience is preferred but not required.

Residency in the district is preferred but not required.

APPLICANTS ARE REQUESTED NOT TO CONTACT BOARD MEMBERS.

Woodland CUSD 5 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) February 21, 2025 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 Woodland CUSD 5



MISSION STATEMENT

Woodland Community School District #5 advocates for students in a safe and nurturing learning environment, and encourages student curiosity, goal setting, and problem solving in order to create productive members of society.

January 2025

ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCY

The Board of Education of Woodland CUSD 5, Streator, 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.

The Board expects to offer a salary in the range of \$120,000 to \$150,000 and a competitive benefits package including sick leave, vacation days, personal days, health insurance, dental/vision insurance, life insurance, TRS/THIS contributions, professional membership dues, and travel expense reimbursements. 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

<https://www.woodland5.net>

LOCATION — Woodland CUSD #5 sits in Streator Illinois, 100 miles south of Chicago, 55 miles east of Peoria, 55 miles north of Bloomington, Normal. Woodland CUSD #5 sits on the crosshairs of Route 17 and Route 23 some 13 miles from Interstate 39 and 20 miles from Interstate 55. Woodland CUSD #5 encompasses the towns of South Streator, Long Point, Manville, Blackstone, Reading, and Ancona.

TYPE — PreK-12; 471 Students.

OFFICE — 5800 E. 3000 North Road, Streator, IL 61364.

STAFF — 2 principals, 1 assistant principal, 47 teachers, 82 support personnel.

CENTRAL OFFICE PERSONNEL — Superintendent, Bookkeeper, Payroll, Bus Company Secretary.

CURRICULUM —comprehensive K-12 program aligned to the Illinois Learning Standards. Our school designations through the Illinois State Board of Education are at the Commendable rating for both the Elementary and Secondary Schools.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS —participates in the Livingston Area Career Center offering 26 vocational programs for students to participate in. We also provide coop and job coaching for our junior and senior students. Woodland in connection with Streator High School provides a CEO entrepreneurial program for Junior and Senior students.

SPECIAL SERVICES — member of the Livingston County Special Services Cooperative located in Flanagan, Illinois

FACILITIES — Woodland Elementary/Jr. High – PreK-8 and Woodland High School – grades 9-12.

TRANSPORTATION —runs “Streator Woodland Area Bus Company” encompassing 53 vehicles and 82 employees that service transportation for: Streator Elementary, Streator High School, Grand Ridge Grade School, Odell Grade School, St. Michaels School, and Woodland.

FOOD SERVICE — Woodland houses its own food service with a director and three additional employees.

MEMBER OF — IASB, ROE #17, LCSSU, Livingston Area Career Center, Illinois High School Association, Illinois Elementary School Association, and Illinois Grade School Music Association.

MEDICAL — OSF Medical Center sits in Streator

RECREATION — Eastwood Country Club, Anderson Fields Golf Course, Streator YMCA.

PLACES OF WORSHIP — 29 places of worship within a 10-mile radius of Woodland CUSD #5.

RETAIL — Streator provides for a downtown area with various shops, retailers, and restaurants. Streator also has various large retailers such as Walmart, Kroger, and Runnings.

FRATERNAL AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS — Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions Club, Elks, VFW, American Legion.

COLLEGES — Illinois Valley Community College sits in Oglesby Illinois – 30 miles away.

INDUSTRY — Vactor, US Foods, Diversified Sheet Metal, Lilja Corporation, Luckey Distributions, Hatzler and Son, Quantix SCS, SJ Smith, Streator Unlimited, RP Lumber, US Truck Body, Teleweld, Steril ALM, USA Pallet and Warehousing, Alloy Specialties, Transco Products, Mid-American Truck Corporation, Flink Company, Morton Buildings.

TUITION WAIVER – non-resident children of employees may attend district schools without paying tuition.

PROJECTED TIMELINE

Application Deadline:
February 21, 2025 by Noon (CST)

Candidates Presented to Board:
March 4, 2025

Board Interviews Candidates:
March/April 2025

New Superintendent Appointed:
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?

This Professional Superintendent Search is being conducted by the Illinois Association of School Boards, Vic Zimmerman Ed.D., Consultant Executive Searches, (217) 528-9688, ext. 1135

