

FINANCIAL DATA

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| EAV | \$ 82,266,803 |
| Bonds Outstanding | \$ 1,735,000 |
| Total Budget Revenue | \$ 14,241,217 |

TAX RATE —

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| Education | 1.2476 |
| Operations & Maintenance..... | 0.5465 |
| Transportation..... | 0.1200 |
| Working Cash..... | 0.0500 |
| I.M.R.F..... | 0.1459 |
| Tort Immunity..... | 0.2189 |
| Bond & Interest | 0.3481 |
| Social Security..... | 0.2128 |
| Special Education..... | 0.2000 |
| TOTAL | 2.9596 |

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Rock Falls ESD 13 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.

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| Name..... | *Years |
| Troy Ebenezer, Board President..... | 15 |
| Janel Stahr, Vice President..... | 8 |
| Shelley Chappell, Secretary..... | 20 |
| CoDaniel Ahlstrand, Board Member..... | 3 |
| Shawn Fritz, Board Member..... | 6 |
| Meagen Mullan, Board Member..... | 6 |
| Robert Watts, Board Member | 13 |

**Years served on the Rock Falls ESD 13 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:

- Develops and works cooperatively/effectively with BOE.
- Has finance/budget expertise.
- Fosters a professional culture for educators.
- Facilitates continuous improvement through data/program analysis.
- Ensures an inclusive, safe school environment.
- Facilitates meaningful and ongoing family/community engagement.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills/collaborative.

Experience as a teacher and principal required.

Previous district-level and superintendent experience preferred
APPLICANTS ARE REQUESTED NOT TO CONTACT BOARD MEMBERS.

Rock Falls ESD 13 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 25, 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
Rock Falls ESD 13



MISSION STATEMENT

Rock Falls Elementary District #13 staff, students, families, and community members, utilizing mutual respect, will partner to attain a safe environment while empowering all to pursue success as lifelong learners. Through diversified experiences, our students will discover their potential, and achieve readiness for their future, while succeeding emotionally, physically, intellectually, and socially in an evolving world.

October 2024

ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCY

The Board of Education of Rock Falls ESD 13, Rock Falls, 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 – Rock Falls is a community of approximately 8,620, located along the Rock River, 100 miles west of Chicago, IL, 50 miles southwest of Rockford, and 50 miles northeast of the Quad Cities. The Rock River separates Rock Falls from its sister city, Sterling, which has population of approximately 14,566. Rock Falls is an industrial and farming community.

TYPE — PreK-8; 930 Students.

OFFICE — 602 4th Avenue, Rock Falls, IL 61071.

STAFF — 4 Principals, 67 Teachers and 40 Support Personnel.

CENTRAL OFFICE PERSONNEL — Superintendent, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper, IT Director, Maintenance Director, Assistant Maintenance.

CURRICULUM — Rock Falls Elementary School District #13 provides a comprehensive anti-bias curriculum that is aligned with: the district's educational philosophy and goals; student needs as identified by research, demographics, student achievement, and other data; minimum requirements of State and Federal Law and

regulations for curriculum and graduation requirements; Illinois State and District Learning Standards and any required State or Federal student testing.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS — Rock Falls Elementary School District #13 provides the following student services and education programs to students: Interventions, Resource, Speech/Language Pathology, Health Services, and Counseling.

SPECIAL SERVICES — The district Coops with the two other area elementary districts to provide Wrestling and Track to our students on our Middle School campus.

FACILITIES — Riverdale Preschool Center, Dillon School (K-2), Merrill School (3-5), Rock Falls Middle School (6-8).

TRANSPORTATION — Contracted with First Student.

FOOD SERVICES — Contracted with Aramark.

DISTRICT WEBSITE — www.rfsd13.org

MEMBER OF — Regional Office of Education #47, Bi-County Special Education Cooperative, IASA, IASB.

MEDICAL — CGH Rock Falls Medical Center, CGH Medical Center & Hospital, CGH Ready Care Clinic, Whiteside County Health Department & Clinic, Aspen Dental, Midwest Dental, True Smiles, Wells Family Dentistry, Kirkland Family Chiropractic Center, and New Hope Chiropractic.

RECREATION — Rock Falls is proud of its parks, recreational areas, and river front. Rock Falls strives to continuously improve and offer new recreational activities to its residents and visitors. Centennial Park, Hennepin Canal, Joshua Park, Logan Park, Nims Park, Rotary Park, and Morrison- Rockwood State Park.

PLACES OF WORSHIP — There are over 18 area churches that provide services to our community.

RETAIL — There are numerous retail businesses in the Sterling-Rock Falls area, including Mom-n-Pop businesses and Chain stores.

FRATERNAL AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS — The Rock Falls area enjoys the services of many officially recognized civic organizations, which provide invaluable services.

COLLEGES — Sauk Valley Community College, Morrison Institute of Technology, Clinton Community College, Augustana, St. Ambrose, Western Illinois University, Northern Illinois University.

INDUSTRY — The Rock Falls community welcomes business growth and development. Major employers within the community include CGH Medical Centers, Climco Coils, Wahl Clipper, Walmart, Halo Branded Solutions, IFH Group, Sterling Steel Company.

A PROJECTED TIMELINE

Application Deadline:
November 25, 2024 by Noon (CST)

Candidates Presented to Board:
December 2024

Board Interviews Candidates:
December 2024/January 2025

New Superintendent Appointed:
January 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, Alan Molby Consultant, Executive Searches, (630) 629-3776, ext. 1235

