

FINANCIAL DATA

EAV	\$ 2,619,605,695
Bonds Outstanding (Approx.)	\$ 38,000,000
Total Budget Revenue (Approx.) . .	\$ 82,000,000

TAX RATE –

Education	1.7968
Operations & Maintenance	0.2005
Transportation	0.0946
Working Cash	0.0004
I.M.R.F.	0.0454
Bond & Interest	0.2590
Social Security	0.0417
Special Education	0.0147
Lease Educ. Facilities	0.0133
TOTAL	2.4664

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Orland SD 135 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
John Carmody, President	5
Ann M. Gentile, Vice President	3
Tina M. Zekich, Secretary	1
Mary A. Bragg	7
Tom Cunningham	7
Lynne Donegan	3
Joseph S. LaMargo	1

**Years served on the Orland SD 135 Board of Education.*

APPLICANTS ARE REQUESTED NOT TO CONTACT BOARD MEMBERS.

QUALIFICATIONS AND CHARACTERISTICS

The superintendent is expected to be the chief executive officer, and provide professional educational leadership to the district. Successful candidates will be evaluated on their merits, with emphasis on demonstration of the following attributes:

- An educational leader with elementary experience who will instill excellence throughout the organization; one who is committed to building mutual respect and trust and will serve as a model and mentor to staff and will ensure accountability throughout the system
- An administrator with a strong and continuing background in district management practices; one who will provide the board with information in support of pending decisions; prepare administrators to respond to questions and make recommendations that both the superintendent and the administrators can support; and the internal strength to make tough decisions when necessary
- A visionary who is committed to excellence and high academic expectations; one who will maximize financial resources and manage human resources wisely; who will forge a strong partnership with the Board of Education, work with an effective management team and continue the supportive relationship with teachers and support staff
- A warm energetic “people person”, who is an outstanding communicator with strong interpersonal management skills. A visible, accessible, approachable leader who will listen carefully and facilitate open communication with all stakeholders

Doctorate Preferred

Residency Appreciated

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

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

Please begin your application process at: <https://illinois.executivesearchservices.com/applicant/login.aspx>

You will need to establish a user name and password. Applicants will be asked to give consent to a limited background inquiry.

Completed responses to qualifications and characteristics (Q&Cs) identified in this announcement.

All applicants must apply online by 4 p.m. March 26, 2012 and upload the following documents to receive consideration:

1. A **formal letter of application** indicating desire to be a candidate for any position.
2. A **formal resume** that includes a summary of achievements in administrative positions, educational vision and goals, personal leadership philosophy and reasons for your interest in this position.
3. At least three recent **letters of reference**.
4. **Official Transcripts** from each college/ university attended.
5. **Proof of qualification and certification to be an administrator in the state of Illinois** (copy of the administrative certificate with all related endorsements*) or other evidence showing qualification to be a superintendent in another state.

*Information on certification can be obtained by contacting the Illinois State Board of Education, Division of Professional Preparation, 100 North First Street, Springfield, Illinois 62777, or by calling: 1-217-782-2221, or by visiting the ISBE website at www.isbe.net.

Announcement of Vacancy Superintendent of Schools Orland SD 135



MISSION STATEMENT

District 135's mission is that, in a safe environment, all students will be prepared to meet the challenges of the future.

February 2012

ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCY

The Board of Education of Orland SD 135, Orland Park, Illinois is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Superintendent of Schools. The Board wishes to select a superintendent who will begin work on July 1, 2012.

The salary will be regionally competitive. It is anticipated 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 – Orland Park and Orland Hills, Illinois. Village – Cook County / Orland Township. Population Approx. 56,000 (Orland Park) and Approx. 6,700 (Orland Hills). Named in Top 100 Places to Live in 2006 and 2008 by Money Magazine. 25 miles southwest of Chicago with easy access to O'Hare and Midway airports. Near I-80 and Metra commuter train. Served by Districts 135, 140, 146, 118, 140 and High School District 230.

TYPE – K-8; 5,300 students

OFFICE – 15100 S. 94th Avenue, Orland Park, IL 60462.

STAFF – 10 Principals, 5 Assistant Principals, 435 Teachers, 310 Support Personnel.

CENTRAL OFFICE PERSONNEL – Interim Superintendent; Asst. Supt. for Business Services; Asst. Supt. of Student Services and Dir. of Special Education; Dir. of Special Education; Asst. Dir. of Special Education; Dir. of Human Resources; Dir. of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; Asst. Dir. of Curriculum; Dir. of Facilities; Technology Coordinator / Supervisor; Community Relations Coordinator.

CURRICULUM – As a school district, academics are the district's top priority. The curriculum is designed to provide variety and

breadth through the study of content and process in the fundamental learning areas of reading, language arts, math, science, social studies, fine arts, physical development and health, computer literacy, and, in the upper grades, foreign languages. District 135 curriculum is aligned with the State Goals for Learning and Illinois Learning Standards and is assessed using Illinois Standard Assessment Tests (ISAT), as well as several local assessments. The District is currently working toward alignment with the Common Core State Standards.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS – Basketball, Cross Country, Softball, Track, Volleyball, Art Club, Band, Chess Club, Choir, Declamation (Speech) Team, Drama, IMSA Fusion, Literary Magazine, Math Club, Newspaper, Orchestra, Science Club, Student Council, Tech Club, Yearbook.

SPECIAL SERVICES – Orland School District 135 offers a continuum of special education services to children with disabilities. District 135's integrated education program provides students with disabilities the opportunity to be placed in their "home" schools and in general education classrooms with support services.

FACILITIES –

Centennial School Grades K – 3 (510);
Center School Grades K – 2 (690);
Century Jr. High Grades 6 – 8 (900);
High Point School Grades 3 – 5 (600);
Jerling Jr. High Grades 6 – 8 (780);
Liberty School Grades 3 – 5 (690);
Meadow Ridge School Grades 3 – 5 (900);
Orland Jr. High Grades 6 – 8 (600);
Park School Grades K – 2 (450);
Prairie School Grades K – 3 (720)

TRANSPORTATION – Over 100 bus routes transport nearly 5,000 students to District 135 schools. Many District 135 students walk to and from school.

CAFETERIA PROGRAM – The District contracts with Quest Food Management for its cafeteria services. Menus are available monthly on the District 135 website.

DISTRICT WEBSITE – www.orland135.org

MEMBER OF – Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education, Illinois Association of School Administrators, Illinois Association of School Boards, Illinois Association of School Business Officials, Illinois Chapter of National School Public Relations Association, Illinois Grade School Music Association, Illinois Elementary Schools Association, Illinois Principals Association, National Association of Elementary School Principals, National Association of School Psychologists, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, National School Public Relations Association, Society for Human Resource Management, South Cooperative Organization for Public Education.

MEDICAL – Palos Community Hospital, St. James Hospital and Health Center, Palos Immediate Care Center.

CULTURAL – The Village of Orland Park is home to the Orland Park Cultural Center, which offers art, chess, computers, dancing, fencing, photography, and Spanish. Both Orland Park and Orland Hills offer many cultural activities, ranging from dance and art programs to theater (i.e. Orland Park Theater Troup) and music programs.

RECREATION – The Village of Orland Park offers 56 well-equipped parks, 648 acres of recreation, 33 baseball fields, 39 basketball courts, 25 tennis courts, 24 soccer fields, 51 playgrounds, and an extensive bike trail system. In the heart of the village is the community's largest park – Centennial Park. The Aquatic Center is located in Centennial Park, and includes an 18,000 square foot swimming pool, seven large slides, a 1,000-foot lazy river, and a deep-water play area. Other

park amenities include a skate park, baseball/softball complex, soccer fields, and a marina boardwalk along Lake Sedgewick.

PLACES OF WORSHIP – Churches of most denominations in both Orland Park and Orland Hills.

FRATERNAL AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS – VFW #2604, Rotary, Lions, Chamber of Commerce.

COLLEGES – Robert Morris College, St. Xavier University, IIT Technical Institute, Moraine Valley Community College – Southwest Education Center.

INDUSTRY – Orland Park and Orland Hills are strong industrial communities with both small locally-owned businesses and large corporate offices. In ranking sales for Chicagoland area suburbs, Orland Park ranks #5 with \$1,723,893,312. Orland Park receives approximately \$26.5 million per year in sales tax dollars.

A PROJECTED TIMELINE

Application Deadline:
March 26, 2012

Candidates Presented To Board:
April 2012

Candidate Interviews:
April 2012

New Superintendent appointed:
May 2012

New Superintendent Begins:
July 1, 2012

Orland SD 135 is an equal opportunity employer and the Illinois Association of School Boards is an equal opportunity employment search agency.

This Professional Superintendent Search is being conducted by the Illinois Association of School Boards through Dawn Miller, Consultant, Executive Searches, 847-226-2430.

