

FINANCIAL DATA

EAV	\$ 911,600,960
Bonds Outstanding	\$ 40,490,000
Total Budget Expenditure	\$ 45,059,719
TAX RATE —	
Education	2.6803
Operations & Maintenance.....	0.4594
Transportation.....	0.1081
Working Cash.....	0.0378
I.M.R.F.....	0.0325
Tort Immunity.....	0.0325
Bond & Interest.....	0.6848
Fire Prevention, Safety	0.0000
Social Security	0.0649
Special Education.....	0.0541
TOTAL	4.1544

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Summit Hill SD 161 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
Rich Marron, President	7
Stacey Borgens, Vice President.....	9
David Faber, Secretary	7
George Leonard	5
Joy Murphy	7
Jim Martin.....	3
Trudy Sturino	1

*Years served on the Summit Hill SD 161 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:

- acts with integrity, fairness and in an ethical manner.
- advocates/nurtures/sustains a school culture and instructional program conducive to student learning and staff growth.
- promotes success of every student by facilitating the development and implementation of a vision of learning that is shared by all stakeholders.
- has experience in planning long- and short-range district goals with the Board.
- has the ability to maximize financial and human resources in support of educational programs in the district.
- ensures management of organization, operation, and resources for a safe, efficient, and effective learning environment.
- understands and assesses emerging trends in technology and educational initiatives in order to adapt district-level leadership strategies.
- collaborates with faculty and community members, responds to diverse community interests and needs, and mobilizes community resources.

Previous successful teaching and administrative experience is required.

APPLICANTS ARE REQUESTED NOT TO CONTACT BOARD MEMBERS.

Summit Hill SD 161 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 user name 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 Noon (CST) February 8, 2021 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 Summit Hill SD 161



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Summit Hill District 161, in collaboration with the family and the community, is to provide our students with the highest quality educational opportunities in a safe, supportive, and stimulating learning environment which will empower them to become productive global citizens and successful lifelong learners.

January 2021

ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCY

The Board of Education of Summit Hill SD 161 is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Superintendent. The Board wishes to select a Superintendent who will begin work on July 1, 2021.

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

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE DISTRICT AND THE AREA

LOCATION — The school district is advantageously situated in Will County, approximately 35 miles southwest of Chicago, encompassing portions of Frankfort, Frankfort Square, Tinley Park, and Mokena.

The area's population was reported as 18,042 in 2010 census and has grown by approximately 2,000 in past decade. The district's tax base, currently \$911.6 million, has consistently risen the past several years.

TYPE — PreK-8; 2,617 Students.

OFFICE — 20100 S. Spruce Dr., Frankfort, IL 60423.

STAFF — 6 Principals, 267 Teachers, 133 Support Personnel.

CENTRAL OFFICE PERSONNEL — Superintendent, Dir. of Business Services, Dir. of Curriculum, Dir. of Special Education, Manager of School Operations/Transportation, Technology Manager, Buildings and Grounds Manager, and nine support staff.

CURRICULUM — The curriculum is aligned to Illinois Learning Standards. For several years, the district has promoted a standards-aligned and growth mindset. Teachers have received assessment design training and created curriculum overview documents to identify priority standards; they are creating common assessments related to the identified standards.

Elementary students participate in physical education, music, technology, and art. Gr. 5-8 students receive instruction in ELA, mathematics, science, and social studies. Students receive physical education and cycle through Encore classes in art, communication, Action Lab/STEM, and music. Junior high students are provided an additional opportunity in Spanish.

As a 1:1 district, students are provided with tablets. Teachers integrate projects/applications so technology is an integral part of instruction. Each classroom has an LCD projector and document camera. The investment in technology has equipped us to support students whether in the classroom or in remote learning.

Student progress is monitored with the NWEA MAP assessment program. Other assessments include IAR, Illinois Science Assessment, ACCESS, PSAT8, CogAT, and AimswebPlus. There is a strong Multi-Tiered System of Supports program for students identified for RTI and/or PBIS intervention support.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS — The fine arts program is robust (band, jazz band, chorus, art). Spanish and tech classes are provided, as well as accelerated and gifted classes in math and ELA at the 5th-8th grade levels. Extracurricular programs are offered (both athletic and academic competitions), as well as a number of student clubs and organizations.

District 161 has active parent organizations (School Community Organizations, Educational Foundation, Athletic Boosters, and Band Boosters).

SPECIAL SERVICES — District 161 offers a continuum of services for EC-8th students who are identified with a disability according to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. The district is a member of the Lincoln-Way Special Education Cooperative 843.

FACILITIES —

Arbury Hills School, Grades 1-4
Frankfort Square School, Grades 1-4
Indian Trail School, Grades 1-4
Dr. Julian Rogus School, Grades EC-4
Walker Intermediate School, Grades 5-6
Summit Hill Junior High School, Grades 7-8

TRANSPORTATION — District 161 maintains an intergovernmental agreement with Lincoln-Way High School District 210 to provide its transportation services. Special education transportation is provided through the special education co-op.

FOOD SERVICE — Although the district does not offer a hot lunch service, prepackaged lunches are provided to students who qualify for free/reduced lunch.

D161 WEBSITE — www.summithill.org

MEMBER OF — IASB, IPA, IASA, Illinois State Board of Education, and Will County Regional Office of Education.

MEDICAL — Nearby hospitals include Silver Cross Hospital and Palos Community Hospital.

CULTURAL — Frankfort Public Library, Tinley Park Library.

RECREATION — District 161 supports a proud partnership with the Frankfort Square Park District to offer numerous recreation opportunities for its residents.

PLACES OF WORSHIP — Churches of many denominations are located in the area.

COLLEGES — Nearby universities include Lewis University, University of St. Francis, and Governors State University.

INDUSTRY — Frankfort Township has approximately 20 manufacturers, such as Tenneco and Borg-Warner; Panduit Corporation, a global manufacturer of electrics, has a headquarters within school district boundaries.

A PROJECTED TIMELINE

Application Deadline:
February 8, 2021 by Noon (CST)

Candidates Presented to Board:
February 2021

Board Interviews Candidates:
February 2021

New Superintendent Appointed:
March 2021

New Superintendent Begins:
July 1, 2021

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, Dr. Patricia Viniard, Consultant, Executive Searches, 630/629-3776, ext. 1240.

