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School District of Whitefish Bay

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The School Board for the School District of Whitefish Bay Selects New Superintendent

The School Board for the School District of Whitefish Bay has selected Dr. Jamie Foeckler as the District's next Superintendent, effective July 1, 2024. Dr. Foeckler's candidacy rose to the top because of his passion for authentic leadership and his ability to empower, engage, and equip people in their learning and teaching.

"The School Board conducted a comprehensive selection process," explained School Board President Anne Berleman Kearney, "and would like to express its gratitude to the families, staff, and community members who provided feedback about desired qualifications for the position of Superintendent. Dr. Foeckler exemplifies the characteristics identified by the community, including extensive experience in classroom settings, strong leadership and communication skills, and a substantial interest in and commitment to educational equity and inclusion."



Dr. Foeckler graduated from the University of Wisconsin–Parkside with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education and English in May 2001. He obtained a Master of Science degree in Administrative Leadership and Supervision in Education from the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee in May 2004, and earned a Doctorate of Philosophy degree in Leadership, Advancement/Learning & Service from Cardinal Stritch University in December 2019. Dr. Foeckler brings to the position several years of classroom teaching experience, as well as experience as an Associate Principal, Principal, and Director of Teaching & Learning Services. Jamie holds the following Department of Public Instruction (DPI) licenses: Director of Instruction (EC-A, Grades PK-12), Principal (Grades PK-12), Superintendent/District Administrator (EC-A, Grades PK-12), Elementary/Middle Level Education (Grades 1-8), and English (Grades 1-9).

School Board member Lynn Raines shared, "Dr. Foeckler's unwavering commitment to educational excellence, his profound understanding of the complexities of modern education, and his ability to leverage his exceptional interpersonal skills position him as an exemplary leader. As a systems thinker and collaborative leader, he brings a depth and breadth of leadership experience which demonstrates his ability to harness the collective expertise of our district leadership team and staff. Dr. Foeckler prioritizes a comprehensive educational experience to ensure students have the essential foundation to be life, college, and career ready. With Dr. Foeckler at the helm, the School District of Whitefish Bay is poised to thrive as a top-performing district, fostering a culture of excellence for years to come."

School Board member Dan Tyk, also praised Dr. Foeckler's leadership and continued service to the District: "I've seen Dr. Foeckler's dedication to the students, staff and families of the District through his thoughtful and analytical approach as the Director of Teaching and Learning. He focuses on building relationships, trust, and his own continuous self-evaluation and self-improvement as a 'lead-learner'--these are pillars of a strong leader."

The District looks forward to supporting Dr. Foeckler in his new role.



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