

VIGO COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
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SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

The position of Superintendent of Schools is of great importance to a school corporation. This is particularly true of a diverse school corporation such as the Vigo County Schools. The educational needs of a large and varied community such as this can be met successfully only by a Superintendent who has qualities of leadership, vision, and administrative skill. The Board of School Trustees shall attempt to contract the services of an individual who has these qualities.

It is the policy of the Vigo County Board of School Trustees that the Superintendent, with the assistance of the staff, shall be responsible to provide the professional leadership and skill to translate the will of the Board of School Trustees into administrative action, and he is delegated by the Board the authority to carry out that responsibility.

The Superintendent of Schools serves as the School Board's executive officer and acts as an educational advisor to the Board.

Well defined procedures for decision making, decision implementation, and establishing accountability are necessary for the Superintendent to meet the responsibilities of the position. To take full advantage of the professional capabilities of the staff, it is the responsibility of the Superintendent to encourage a communications structure which provides a broad base of involvement in administrative decisions. When a matter of policy is involved, the Board of School Trustees expects the Superintendent to offer advice and counsel as to how the matter under discussion would affect the schools. The policies and plans adopted by the Board must be put into effect by the chief administrator and his associates. There is no substitute for the Superintendent's background of professional training and experience as a resource to the Board of School Trustees, if it is to act in the best interests of the School Corporation. This statement is intended, generally, to specify the dimensions of the position of Superintendent and further to state, emphatically, the crucial nature of the role of the Superintendent to the program of quality education to which the Vigo County School Corporation is committed.

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