



Dear Fellow Educator,

The School Board of Hampton, New Hampshire invites qualified candidates to apply for the position of Superintendent of Schools. The Hampton School District is being organized as a newly developed independent school district effective July 1, 2011. The district, currently a part of SAU 21 which includes four other K-8 districts, is excited about the opportunity to provide its own K-8 program. Grades 9-12 students who are currently educated in the Winnacunnet Cooperative School District will continue to do so in the new school organization.

Located on the beautiful southern New Hampshire seacoast, Hampton is a small community of 15,400 year-round residents. It lies north of the Massachusetts border off Interstate 95 and is within easy driving distance of the White Mountains and the Lakes Region. It was settled in 1638 and incorporated in 1639. The Hampton School, organized in 1649, was the first coeducational school in New Hampshire. The construction of the railroads and trolley lines in the 1850's made Hampton's ocean front a popular resort destination. Hampton Beach remains a tourist attraction offering shops, restaurants and a beautiful beach.

Today Hampton is recognized as a well managed and most attractive residential community boasting quality schools, fine parks and active recreation for all ages. Its location on the seacoast, proximity to the state's lakes and mountains and easy driving distance to the urban centers of Concord and Manchester, make it a highly desirable place to live.

The Hampton School District will have 1,265 students housed in three attractive and well-maintained buildings:

- Centre School, PreK-2 with 410 students
- Marston School, grades 3-5 with 410 students
- Hampton Academy Middle School, grades 6-8 with 445 students

The central office, in addition to the Superintendent of Schools, will be professionally staffed with adequate support personnel.

The new Superintendent of Schools must be experienced as a K-8 teacher, school administrator and a system wide/central office leader. An advanced graduate degree is required; a doctorate preferred. A strong curriculum background is necessary as is state certification as a Superintendent of Schools or certification eligibility. The successful applicant will have a commitment to providing academic excellence and demonstrated skillfulness in encouraging community involvement.

The Hampton School Board is prepared to provide a multi-year contract with a **competitive salary and benefits package**, commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Interested candidates should contact:
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Telephone: 508-481-9444, email: search@nesdec.org, or go to the NESDEC website: www.nesdec.org to download the application and brochure.

It is anticipated that applications will be reviewed beginning **October 8, 2010**, with interviews scheduled shortly thereafter. The starting date is **July 1, 2011**. For additional information about the school district, please refer to: www.sau21.org and select the link to the Hampton School District.

I look forward to your application, your referral to someone whom you believe is a qualified candidate or a nomination of a qualified applicant. All inquiries and nominations should be made to the NESDEC office and will be kept confidential. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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