



USD 497 News Release

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Board President Announces Interview with Interim Superintendent Finalist



Lawrence Board of Education President Kelly Jones announces that the board will interview Deputy Superintendent Dr. Larry Englebrick as a finalist for interim superintendent during an executive session tonight.

Dr. Englebrick joined our district as executive director of facilities and operations in March of 2021. The superintendent promoted him to interim chief operations officer in 2021-2022, removed the interim title in 2022, and promoted him to deputy superintendent in early July.

“I look forward to the possibility of continuing to serve the students, staff, and community of Lawrence Public Schools. In the past three years, I have found our district to be a wonderful place filled with dedicated staff focused on positive outcomes for all students. My desire is to continue our growth toward fulfilling the needs of each and every learner and staff member.”

Dr. Englebrick previously served as the director of facilities and operations for the Kansas City, Missouri schools for 11 years, taught at the high-school level in the Shawnee Mission schools for three years, and served as the Kansas State Department of Education’s deputy commissioner of the division of school innovations for one year.

His prior experience includes serving as an assistant superintendent for business services (2001-06), executive director of instructional support (1997-2001), and a high school principal (1989-97) and teacher (1978-82), all in the Kansas City, Kansas schools. He earned a bachelor’s degree at William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri, and his master’s and doctorate from the University of Kansas.

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