



## **West Delaware School Board Names Jen Vance Next District Superintendent**

**January 30, 2024**

MANCHESTER, IA — The West Delaware Community School District School Board has named Jen Vance as the district's next superintendent.

As assistant superintendent in the Central DeWitt CSD, Vance led a pilot program at the high school to explore competency-based education in support of career academy implementation and guided the strategic planning process for the district. Additionally, she provided support and learning opportunities for building administrators and led the district's curriculum review committees.

Vance serves as a mentor for new administrators within the School Administrators of Iowa and was named a 2023 Central Office Administrator of the Year finalist. She holds a master's degree in educational administration from Drake University and an advanced studies certificate from the University of Northern Iowa. Previously, Vance served as director of instruction and innovation in Central DeWitt.

"I am deeply honored and grateful for the opportunity to serve as the new superintendent of the West Delaware Community School District," said Vance. "I am committed to supporting West Delaware's mission to provide a safe, culturally rich environment in which all students can reach their full potential academically, emotionally, physically, and socially. I look forward to partnering with the dedicated staff, families, and community to ensure our district's continued success. My family and I are extremely excited to join the West Delaware family. My husband, Ed, and our two daughters, Aubrey and Macy, look forward to meeting each of you while becoming active members of Hawk Nation! During the hiring process, I had the opportunity to hear about the wonderful opportunities West Delaware has to offer for students. There is much to be proud of and I am looking forward to being a part of the strong tradition of excellence West Delaware is known for."

Board members worked with [Grundmeyer Leader Services](#) to conduct the search. Vance interviewed with stakeholder interview groups consisting of students, parents, teachers, and community members on January 29, 2024.

Pending board approval, Vance will officially begin leading the West Delaware Community School District effective July 1, 2024.

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