



## **Dr. Stephen C. Bigelow**

Dr. Stephen C. Bigelow is the superintendent of Bay City Public Schools and resides with his wife and two children in Bay City. He earned his Ph.D. and Education Specialist degree from Oakland University and an M.P.A. and B.S. from the University of Michigan. His career in education spans over 25 years and includes teaching roles at the elementary and middle school levels before taking on middle and high school administrative roles. Dr. Bigelow served as Superintendent of Capac Community Schools before his current position in Bay City.

Committed to enhancing educational policy and community development, Dr. Bigelow leads several organizations:

- Governing board member of the American Association of School Administrators
- Executive Board for the Michigan Alliance for Student Opportunity
- Board of Directors for the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce
- Board of Directors for the Dow Bay Area YMCA
- Saginaw Valley State University Advisory Boards for the School of Education and the College of Business and Management
- New superintendent mentor through the Michigan Association of School Administrators and Horizons Leadership Academy

Dr. Bigelow is involved with several service organizations, including the American Red Cross, First Robotics, Great Lakes Bay Economic Club, Rotary Club, Lions Club, and United Way. He was recently recognized for his innovative spirit by being accepted into the first cohort of the Google GSV Education Innovation Fellowship.

As Bay City Public Schools superintendent, Dr. Bigelow moved the district from fiscal distress to a healthy, sustainable fund balance of 17% within the first two years of his leadership. He led the rebranding and restructuring of the district and developed a hybrid alternative high school and virtual school. Dr. Bigelow bolstered PreK through college programs by implementing an early middle college, expanding early childhood offerings, and introducing an elementary athletics program. He led the district in passing a \$7 million sinking fund, a \$14 million sinking fund renewal, and a \$28.4 million facilities, technology, and transportation bond. Dr. Bigelow is a 2023 recipient of the U.S. Department of Defense Patriot Award for exemplary leadership practices and support policies for military members employed by the district.