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## USD 305 Board of Education Names Heath Hogan as Next Superintendent



The USD 305 school board unanimously voted to appoint Heath Hogan as the district's new superintendent, effective July 1, 2025.

"We are confident that Mr. Hogan will bring strong leadership and experience to our students, educators and community," said Gabe Grant, board president. "Mr. Hogan's proven track record will build on the foundation of excellence that has been established." The board made the decision at a special meeting on Monday, February 17.

He will replace Linn Exline, who is retiring at the end of the school year.

Hogan, 53, said, "It is an honor to be selected for this position. Salina Public Schools has a reputation as an innovative and progressive school system. I am excited for the opportunity to continue the strong partnerships with staff, stakeholders and the board as we move forward and build upon the district's accomplishments."

Currently superintendent at Smoky Valley USD 400, Hogan has 28 years of experience in public education. He worked at Garden City Public Schools, USD 457 for 25 years, serving in many different roles. His time there was spent as deputy superintendent, human resources director, elementary principal and teacher.

With 6,752 students, Salina Public Schools (SPS) is the 16<sup>th</sup> largest school district in Kansas. The district offers personalized learning with a vast array of opportunities to engage every student beyond the classroom. By embracing challenges, creating belonging, fostering pride and inspiring hope, SPS prepares students to transform Salina and the world. An early-learning center, 6-12 virtual school, eight elementary, two middle and two high schools serve students in pre-kindergarten through grade 12. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.usd305.com">www.usd305.com</a>.