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**TREVOR MCDONALD NAMED INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT OF  
LIBERTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 25  
AWARD-WINNING EDUCATOR BRINGS PROVEN LEADERSHIP,  
PASSION FOR STUDENT SUCCESS, AND COMMUNITY-CENTERED VISION**

**BUCKEYE (July 10, 2025)** — The Liberty Elementary School District Board of Education is proud to announce the appointment of Trevor McDonald as Interim Superintendent. A respected and award-winning leader with more than a decade of superintendent experience, McDonald brings an unwavering commitment to student achievement, staff development, and community partnership.

With an extensive background that includes roles as Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Chief Financial Officer, McDonald is known for his ability to lead with both heart and strategy. His leadership has been recognized statewide—earning him the California Superintendent of the Year honor from the California Continuation Education Association and being named Regional Superintendent of the Year by the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA).

"I am thrilled to be leading the Liberty Elementary School District and look forward to partnering with stakeholders of all levels for the betterment of all kids," McDonald shared.

A fierce advocate for student well-being, McDonald has consistently turned vision into action. He made headlines for launching districtwide swimming lessons, declaring that "learning to swim is a necessity, not a luxury." Through his advocacy, he secured special funding to ensure all students—regardless of background—could participate in lifesaving swim education.

"We are excited to welcome Trevor McDonald as the Interim Superintendent of Liberty Elementary School District," said Governing Board President Michael Todd. "He brings a fresh vision and a passion for education and student success that will greatly benefit our district. We had 14 applicants for the position, and Mr. McDonald stood out as the clear leader from the very beginning. The Board unanimously selected him, and we are confident he will lead Liberty to new heights. His commitment to exceptional customer service and high levels of student achievement is unmatched. I fully expect this upcoming school year to be one of the best we've experienced in many years."

McDonald is also credited with creating highly successful Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) schools in two separate districts, schools which continue to thrive today as cornerstones of creativity and opportunity.

His record of innovation extends beyond the classroom. Under his leadership, a decades-old stadium was transformed into a modern, multipurpose sports facility. By uniting numerous

community partners, McDonald led efforts to build a new track and field complex and install all-weather turf for multiple sports—bringing pride and opportunity back to students and families.

McDonald is equally passionate about developing future leaders. He designed and implemented a comprehensive Administrator Training Program, cultivating internal talent and empowering more than 20 administrators who continue to excel across school districts. His mentorship and coaching have created a pipeline of dedicated, homegrown leaders who understand and reflect the communities they serve.

As Interim Superintendent, McDonald will focus on academic excellence, equity, and student-centered innovation—while continuing to foster strong partnerships with families, staff, and community members.

If you would like to connect with Mr. Trevor McDonald, please contact Minnie Kamarata, Administrative Assistant, at [mkamarata@liberty25.org](mailto:mkamarata@liberty25.org).

### **About LESD25**

Founded in 1887, the Liberty Elementary School District No. 25 spans 285 square miles including rural and suburban settings. It has grown from a historic one-room schoolhouse, to seven kindergarten through eighth grade schools between Buckeye and Goodyear, educating more than 4,500 students. Each school is tailored to serve students based on their interests through unique signature programs. LESD25 prepares all students for success in high school and beyond with engaging and challenging learning environments. Through individual accomplishment, personal leadership, and contribution to their community, children flourish. Discover more at [liberty25.org](http://liberty25.org).

***Provide an environment that guarantees all students learn at a high level.***

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