
**Bridgman Public Schools
Michigan Leadership Institute
Superintendent Search
Press Release
November 7, 2025**

The Bridgman Public Schools Board of Education continues to move forward with the process of selecting a new Superintendent of Schools. Eight (8) educators submitted applications for the position. Applicants' experience included superintendent, central office administration and principal. The Board completed a thorough review of the applications and has invited two (2) candidates to be interviewed.

The interviews will be held on Wednesday, November 19. Interviews will take place at Bridgman High School, 9964 Gast Road, Bridgman, Michigan. The public is strongly encouraged to attend. The interviews will also be recorded and posted after the conclusion of this round.

The interview schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, November 19 -

5:00 pm: Dr. Sarita Stevens, Deputy Superintendent, South Bend Public Schools (IN)

6:30 pm: Mr. Thomas Reed, Principal, Otsego High School, Otsego Public Schools

Board President, Eric Ramso stated, "We were pleased with the candidates interested in becoming the next leader for the Bridgman Public Schools. The applicant pool has quality candidates who may be an excellent fit for our school district and community. We are interested to learn more about the candidates' abilities and attributes, as well as what each candidate has to offer our students, staff, parents, and community. As always, the Board values input from the public and strongly encourages people to attend the interviews. It is our hope to have a new superintendent in place on July 1, 2026."

The superintendent search became necessary as Mr. Shane Peters is retiring June 30, 2026 after 16 years of dedicated service to the Bridgman Public Schools. The process has been facilitated by the Michigan Leadership Institute.