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Caledonia Board sets first round interviews for new Superintendent

The Caledonia School Board has invited four candidates to interview for the position of Superintendent. The invitations were extended near the end of a special board meeting Wednesday night with consultant Gary Rider. Rider was selected by the Board to lead the search effort.

During the meeting, Rider presented 29 applicants to the Board. The Board reviewed their applications, and then Rider facilitated the process to narrow the field to those the Board wanted to invite to interview. The board also discussed the importance of feedback from parents, students, staff, and the community during the process, and began to develop interview questions.

The board is on pace to move forward with their plan to conduct first round interviews next week and second round interviews the following week. Site visits to final candidates' districts are also a possibility and would be conducted after the second-round interviews. Caledonia Board President Marcy White said, "We hope parents, members of the community and staff will attend the interviews. It will be very important for the Board to have their input during the process."

The public is invited to all interviews and is strongly encouraged to attend. Their feedback after each interview will be valuable to the Board. All interviews will take place in the Caledonia High School South Campus Media Room, 9192 Kraft Ave. Caledonia, MI. Below is the first-round interview schedule:

Monday, April 30

5:30 Pete Bush, Superintendent, Coloma Community Schools

7:00 Peggy Mathis, Superintendent, Newaygo Public Schools

Tuesday, May 1

5:30 Scott Smith, Assistant Superintendent, Hudsonville Public Schools

7:00 Dedrick Martin, State School Reform Officer, Michigan Department of Education

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