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Scappoose School Board selects Dr. Timothy L. Porter as its next Superintendent

Completing its search for a new Superintendent, the Scappoose School District Board of Directors is pleased to announce **Dr. Timothy L. Porter** has been selected to be the District's next Superintendent effective on July 1, 2019. The School Board and Porter are working on the terms of a tentative agreement which will be finalized at a public meeting in the near future.

"We had an excellent field of 22 candidates for the Superintendent position. With assistance from a team of staff and community, we thoroughly reviewed each application and selected several candidates for initial interviews. As a result of the initial interviews, we narrowed the field of candidates to four finalists. We reference checked the finalists and invited them to spend a day in our District meeting with many groups of staff followed by a community forum. We concluded the day with a second round interview by the School Board." Board Chair Phil Lager said. "Throughout the search process Tim had a strong showing at all phases of the search in the face of stiff competition from a strong group of finalists. In the end he emerged as the right fit to be our next Superintendent. We're excited to get Tim onboard as Superintendent and start our journey toward the future of Scappoose."

Tim Porter has been the Superintendent at South Umpqua School District in Myrtle Creek serving about 1,500 students since 2016. Prior to South Umpqua he was the Director of Technology and Student Achievement for 2 years at South Lane School District (enrollment 2,700) in Cottage Grove and Curriculum Director at Sweet Home School District (enrollment 2,150) for 5 years. His teaching experience includes 11 years as a math and science teacher in various Oregon and California school districts. Porter has a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from George Fox University and a Masters in Theology from Fuller Theological Seminary.

When asked about his philosophy for education, Porter said, "I believe that every student has the ability to learn and it's our job as educators to make sure they reach their potential in an ever-changing world. Success is the expectation." He continued, "We need to make sure that we give the time and support needed to shift from a focus on teaching to a focus on learning and a shift from a system dictated by time to one dedicated to learning. "I am confident that working together with the staff, students, parents, community and School Board we will deliver an outstanding education for our students where success is the expectation."

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