



THE POSITION

The Centre USD 397 Board of Education is seeking a highly qualified and fully licensed Superintendent/PK-5 Principal. Centre Unified School District is accredited by the Kansas Department of Education.

Length of contract to be negotiated with salary based on qualifications and experience. A comprehensive benefit package is also included. USD 397 is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

DISTRICT INFORMATION

Budget

Assessed Valuation.....	\$29,136,606
General Fund.....	3,266,810
Supplemental General Fund.....	729,678
Capital Outlay Fund.....	505,000
Federals Funds.....	86,919
Instruction Expenses.....	3,009,006
Student Support Expenses.....	144,025
Instructional Support Expenses.....	175,445
Administrative & Support Expenses.....	887,150
Operational & Maintenance Expenses.....	354,550
Transportation Expenses.....	355,450
Food Service Expenses.....	150,925
Other Expenses.....	3,259

Staff, Students

Total Enrollment – 624
 FTE Enrollment – 162 (excludes virtual)

Administrators – 2
 Certified Staff – 22
 Classified Staff – 16



CENTRE USD 397

LOST SPRINGS, KANSAS

Invites candidates to apply for the position of SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

USD 397 Centre



CENTRE USD 397 MISSION & GOALS STATEMENTS

Mission Statement

Parents, community, students, and the school personnel will work together as a team to the utmost potential of our abilities and resources to educate every student to the fullest extent of their capabilities. At the same time, we must encourage respect for individual dignity, love of lifelong learning, personal integrity, and a sense of moral values. It is our responsibility to deliver a contemporary program that will allow our students to attain confidence and skills that will enable them to enjoy the full benefits in a changing society. The school will encourage a belief in individual self-worth and maintain a school climate that fortifies each student’s self-esteem.

Goals & Expectations

Centre has been on the cutting edge of creating an engaging learning environment for students. People have come from across the state to visit our little school in the wheat fields and to see what “could be” for students and to get ideas for student engagement. This include:

- Small class sizes
- Teachers that care and help prepare students for life after graduation
- Technology driven
- One-on-one laptop and iPad initiatives
- Strong emphasis in Project-Based Learning
- Includes student run coffee shop “The Centre Perk”
- Character Education



DISTRICT INFORMATION

Accomplishments:

- Sustain a positive, safe and health learning environment
- Dual High School graduates and CTE graduates at Butler Community College
- Offers multiple CTE courses, meeting the needs of students for Post-Secondary Success
- Every 8th grade thru 12th grade student develops and fulfills the identified goals listed in their individualized Learning Plan.
- Ongoing career and college readiness counseling, advisement, with post-secondary connections
- Receive state and national awards in FFA, FBLA, Forensics, Debate and Music
- Maintain low pupil-teacher ratio
- Maintain excellent attendance and graduation rates
- Incorporate a multi-tiered system of support for students
- Provide staff development in research-based best practices
- Partner with community for educational excellence
- Provide strong athletic and other extracurricular programs
- Promote technology integration in all curricular areas
- One-to-one Apple iPad program for grades K-12
- Be a leader in technology programs and focus on keeping the district moving forward in all matters relating to technology.
- Successful continuation of a virtual school program to enable students in our rural setting access to a broad spectrum of course choices
- Kansas Green School of the Year 2010
- Character Education National Award winner for Promising Practices in 2012
- MTSS
- Kansas Online Learning Program (KOLP) has over 250 course offerings ranging from construction of online gaming classes to biotechnology to sports medicine. Many schools are experiencing declining enrollment, Centre has increased by 350 students with the addition of virtual school. KOLP serves students throughout Kansas, while allowing adult learners to return at their own convenience.



OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Centre USD 397 consists of 400 square miles nestled on the western fringe of the Flint Hills of Kansas. The district's location is ideally located about an hour's drive from the center of several larger cities including Salina, Manhattan Emporia and Wichita.

The K-12 attendance center is located on a 25-acre tract off Highway 77, two miles north of Lincolville. Most of the district patrons are involved in farming and ranching or services that are related to the agricultural business community.

More than 95% of the students reside over 2.5 miles from the school and utilize district bus service. An extensive transportation system is required since the majority of students reside on farmsteads that surround the six communities that make up Centre: Lincolville, Lost Springs, Burdick, Ramona, Pilsen and Tampa that are located in Marion, Morris, Dickinson and Chase counties.

The district's patrons are hard-working and support their local school through attendance and participation in school and community-sponsored events. Great pride is taken in the collaborative relationship that has developed during the past 50+ years and remains on-going among the six communities and the school. Our school is a place where students come to learn, and instructors can teach in a favorable learning environment.



SELECTION TIMELINE

Application DUE: January 6, 2021
Screening Begins: January 11, 2021
Anticipated Hire Date: End of January 2021
Contract Begins: July 1, 2021



HOW TO APPLY

Letters of inquiry, requests for applications or other questions about the process should be directed to:

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