

THE POSITION

The Three Lakes Educational Cooperative (Interlocal #620) Board of Directors is seeking applications from interested and highly qualified candidates to fill the position of Director of Special Education. TLEC is accredited by the Kansas State Department of Education.

The candidate must hold or be eligible to obtain the appropriate Kansas District Administrator license with a Special Education Endorsement.

A contract will be offered with a salary based on qualifications and experience along with a benefits package to the successful applicant. TLEC #620 is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

INTERLOCAL INFORMATION

Budget Information:

2021 - 22 Budget: \$9.7 million

PreK-12 Special Education Enrollment: 777

Employment:

Administration: 2.5 Teacher Mentors/Coordinators: 4.5 Certified Teacher Staff: 51 Classified Paraeducator Staff: 120-140 Autism Instructional Assistant: 1 School Psychologist: 4 Speech-Language Pathologist: 6 **Occupational Therapist: 2** Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant: 2 Physical Therapist: 1 Physical Therapist Assistant: 1 Teacher certified in Visual Impairment: 1 Interpreter: 1 Nurse: 1 Social Worker: 2 **Technology Facilitator: 1** Office Staff: 4

Buildings:

Central Office & Annex: Lyndon Next Step & Frameworks Programs: Santa Fe Trail HS Campus, Carbondale

THREE LAKES EDUCATIONAL COOP (INTERLOCAL #620) LYNDON, KANSAS

Invites candidates to apply for the position of **DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION**

THREE LAKES EDUCATIONAL COOP (INTERLOCAL #620) STRATEGIC PLAN:

Three Lakes Educational Cooperative has a strategic plan with these target areas:

- Provide a positive learning environment for all students,
- Provide a professional and efficient delivery of educational services,
- Recruit and retain high-quality staff,
- Provide high-quality professional learning and training for all staff, and
- Increase effective collaboration between Three Lakes and all partner Districts.

SELECTION TIMELINE

Application DUE: November 12, 2021 Screening Begin: November 17, 2021 Anticipated Hire Date: December 2021 Contract Begins: July 1, 2022



HOW TO APPLY

Letters of inquiry, requests for applications or other questions about the process should be directed to: Dr. Britton Hart Kansas Association of School Boards 1420 SW Arrowhead Road Topeka, KS 66604-4024 bhart@kasb.org

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THREE LAKES COOP PROGRAMMING & SERVICES

The Three Lakes Educational Cooperative consists of six-member school districts and provides comprehensive special education services for all eligible children. The school districts include West Franklin - USD 287; Osage City - USD 420; Lyndon - USD 421; Santa Fe Trail - USD 434; Burlingame - USD 454; and Marais des Cygnes Valley - USD 456. Each member school district appoints one board of education member that serves on the board of directors for the Cooperative. Each participating district will function as a full and equal partner regardless of size. Special education services are provided from PreK through age 21. Infant/Toddler (birth to age 3) services are provided to children in our area by the Ottawa-Wellsville Infant-Toddler Program. Special education services are in approximately 20 sites throughout the Cooperative.

The Three Lakes Educational Cooperative provides services that are based upon two general principles. The first principle is that all children with an exceptionality will be provided special education services in the school building in which they would normally attend. Therefore, all classrooms are considered interrelated, and the teacher becomes responsible for the child regardless of the exceptionality category. Students in the gifted education program receive services from one of three gifted facilitators. The second principle is based on the belief that special education cannot and should not be developed separate and apart from regular education, and school improvement of any kind must be a cooperative effort between the personnel of the local district and the staff of the helping agency. To be successful, the child is often provided with paraeducator support, special education accommodations, or modifications to the general curriculum.

OUR COOP COMMUNITY

The Three Lakes Educational Cooperative service area is within close proximity to several large cities and universities. Topeka, the capital city, lies 25 miles to the north. Washburn University is in Topeka and provides many excellent teacher education programs. Emporia lies 25 miles to the southwest. Emporia State University is in Emporia and has an outstanding special education training program. Lawrence lies 25 miles to the northeast. The University of Kansas is in Lawrence and is nationally recognized for the special education training program.

Recreation activities and cultural events are available on a continuous basis. Three large lakes that provide boating and fishing opportunities are located within a few miles of the cooperative office. Many outstanding golf courses and recreational areas are also available to the sports minded. In our area, many Disc Golf courses have been developed in recent years and are very popular. Also, there are horseback, cycling, and biking trails and events becoming more and more prevalent in our vicinity. Cultural events are planned on a regular basis and often include music shows, plays, fairs, parades, and spring/summer/fall/winter festivals.

TLEC Website: www.three-lakes.org

TLEC Facebook Page: Three Lakes Educational Cooperative



