



SOUTHERN LYON COUNTY USD 252 HARTFORD, KANSAS

*Invites candidates to apply for the position of
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS*



THE POSITION

The Southern Lyon County USD 252 Board of Education is soliciting applications from interested and qualified candidates to fill the position of Superintendent.

The term of the contract and salary will be negotiated based on the successful applicant's education, experience, and personal/professional qualifications. Southern Lyon County Unified School District is accredited by the Kansas State Department of Education. USD 252 is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

DISTRICT INFORMATION

Enrollment:

Olpe Early Childhood Center (Infant – PreK)	56
Olpe Elementary School (K – 6th).....	146
Olpe Jr./Sr. High School (7th – 12th).....	148
Neosho Early Childhood Center (Infant – PreK).....	44
Neosho Rapids Elementary School (K – 5th).....	93
Hartford High School (9th – 12th).....	107

District Personnel:

Administrators.....	5
Certified Staff.....	55
Classified Staff.....	59

Financial/Budget:

General Fund Budget.....	\$ 5,345,138
LOB Fund Budget.....	\$ 1,783,788
Capital Outlay Budget.....	\$ 2,248,225
General Fund Assessed Valuation.....	\$ 42,587,916
Mill Levy.....	48.992 mills

HOW TO APPLY

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

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SELECTION TIMELINE

Application Due.....	February 13, 2023
Screening Begins.....	February 15, 2023
Anticipated Hire.....	February 2023
Contract Begins.....	July 1, 2023

SOUTHERN LYON COUNTY USD 252 MISSION STATEMENT:

The Southern Lyon County USD #252 schools' purpose is to assure that students have a solid foundation in the core academic areas. These schools will also assure that students maintain personal wellness, develop citizenship skills, and explore career and technical education opportunities. Students will develop 21st century skills and an appreciation for the fine arts.

USD 252 ESSENTIAL GOALS FOR STUDENT LEARNING:

To achieve the purpose of the schools the following learning goals are established; that students will:

A. Demonstrate competency in:

- reading,
- mathematics,
- science,
- social science, and
- oral, written, and digital communication.

B. Demonstrate practices to maintain personal wellness.

C. Demonstrate good citizenship skills while interacting with the school community.

D. Explore career opportunities and develop college/career readiness skills.

E. Demonstrate an appreciation of fine arts.

F. Utilize technology to 21st century learning skills.

G. Demonstrate financial literacy.

USD 252 RECOMMENDED INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNIQUES:

To accomplish the above purpose and essential goals for student learning, teachers will:

A. Implement Board approved curriculum, and ensure students are mastering learning targets.

B. Provide motivational instruction, to ensure students are engaged in the learning process.

C. Utilize higher order questioning to develop critical thinking skills.

D. Implement instructional opportunities through field trips and use of community resources.

E. Communicate the progress of student learning with parents and students.



SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Southern Lyon County USD #252 is located south and east of Emporia in the southern half of Lyon County. The population of Lyon County is slightly more than 33,195. The Board of Education office is in Hartford, which is about 15 miles southeast of Emporia, the county seat.

Olpe, Hartford, and Neosho Rapids are caring and giving communities that actively support school functions and activities. With populations of 577, 369, and 280 respectively, they all have that small-town friendly, warm atmosphere. Both elementary schools have very active and supportive PTO organizations and both high schools have strong booster clubs who not only promote activities but contribute to the classrooms.

A number of churches and organizations serve residents of the district. Nearness of the district to Emporia and Emporia State University provides many opportunities for cultural enrichment and continuing education. I-35, K-99, and K-130 provide hard surface highways in and around the district.

Southern Lyon County voters passed a bond issue of 14 million dollars on May 16, 2017, for renovations and additions to our school facilities. A multi-purpose classroom, storm shelter walkway connection, and consolidated administrative offices was added at Neosho Rapids. A kitchen addition, updated locker rooms, officials' room, and a weight room/storm shelter addition was added at Hartford. At Olpe, new additions included a music room, kitchen/cafeteria, Pre-K classrooms, Daycare classroom, Kindergarten classroom, storm shelter corridor, remodeling of locker rooms, and consolidated administrative offices and libraries. All locations included security entrances, HVAC unit replacements, roof repairs, LED lighting, technology infrastructure/devices, and electrical updates.

The school district participates in the Flint Hills Special Education Co-op and the Flint Hills Technical College in Emporia. Excellent in-service programs are made available to teachers and administrators of the district through membership in the Southeast Kansas Service Center at Greenbush.

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

- All schools in the district are quality performance accredited schools with curriculum aligned with the Kansas State Standards.
- ❖ **2022 Kansans Can Star Recognition Program**
 - Commissioner's Award
 - High School Graduation – Bronze
 - Academically Prepared for Postsecondary – Cooper
 - Postsecondary Success – Silver
 - Social-Emotional Growth – Silver
 - Kindergarten Readiness – Bronze
 - Individual Plan of Study – Copper
 - Civic Engagement – Gold
- ❖ **2021 Kansans Can Star Recognition Program**
 - Commissioner's Award
 - High School Graduation – Gold
 - Academically Prepared for Postsecondary – Copper
 - Postsecondary Success – Silver
 - Social-Emotional Growth – Bronze
 - Kindergarten Readiness – Bronze
 - Individual Plan of Study – Copper
 - Civic Engagement – Gold
- ❖ **Kansas School of Character**
 - Olpe Elementary School 2012-13
 - Olpe High School 2012-13
- The average attendance rates for students in Southern Lyon County is between 94-95%.
- The average graduation rate since 2000 has been above 95%.
- PreK-12 One-to-One Technology Initiatives.
- Low student/teacher ratio, 12.0 students per teacher.
- PreK-12 Music Programs.
- 0- to 4-year-old Early Childhood Education Program with childcare.
- After School Program for ages 3 to grade 5.
- Students are able to enroll in college classes and receive dual high school credit.

