

ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITION

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

The Utah State Board of Education invites nominations and applications for the position of State Superintendent of Public Instruction

ABOUT THE STATE BOARD:

The State Superintendent is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the State Board of Education and is responsible to the Board to **“administer all programs assigned to the State Board of Education in accordance with the policies and the standards established by the board”** (UCA 53A-1-302).

The State Board is a constitutionally established, elected, non-partisan body that exercises “general control and supervision” over the public education system in Utah including **establishing the state educational core standards, state educator licensing policies, and state high school graduation requirements.**

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The State Board and State Superintendent are responsible for compliance with state and federal laws and administrative rules affecting public education and are **responsible for the distribution of over \$3 billion** to district and charter schools.

The State Superintendent **directs the work of the Utah State Office of Education and assists the State Board in oversight of the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation and the Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind.** In combination these three entities have a **staff of nearly 1,100 employees with a current budget of approximately \$170 million.**

The State Superintendent **acts as the liaison to the governor, state Legislature, and other stakeholders** on behalf of the State Board.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Ideally, the candidate should have already demonstrated success in **developing an executive team** that can implement a **strategic plan** that includes **excellence in matters of: finance, human resources, information technology, law, education, and communications.**

A candidate need not be licensed as a public educator. A candidate should have **at least ten years of relevant experience**, and an advanced degree is preferred but not required.



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An invitation to Utah

Known worldwide for its summer and winter outdoor opportunities, Utah also boasts a low cost of living, state-of-the-art health care, low crime rates, and a strong culture of community values. Utah's high quality of life is sustained by its national parks and plentiful and accessible recreational opportunities.

Robust growth within high-tech and business communities have fueled a strong economy, which also includes industries such as tourism, mining, agriculture, finance, higher education, and petroleum.

Although most of its 3 million residents live along the Wasatch front, Utah enjoys strong growth in both its urban and rural populations. While much of that growth is internal, Utah is made up of a diverse population. Among its 600,000 students in 41 districts and over 100 charter schools, Utah's public education children speak more than 130 languages.

The Utah State Office of Education is located in Salt Lake City, a metropolitan area full of unique neighborhoods and surrounded by spectacular mountain views. The culturally vibrant community hosts professional baseball, basketball, hockey, and soccer teams; world-renowned research facilities, including those of several nearby universities; a symphony; musical and dramatic theater; and ballet.

Applications and nominations should be sent to:

State Board of Education
Superintendent Search Committee
Attn: Lorraine Austin, Secretary
250 East 500 South
P.O. Box 144200
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4200
801-538-7517

Application package should include:

- Complete resume
- Five references
- Other relevant supporting materials

Applications accepted immediately

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- schools.utah.gov
 - schoolboard.utah.gov
 - utahpubliceducation.org
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