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CLINTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTS KEVIN BEAZLEY AS SUPERINTENDENT

Clinton, Michigan – Recently, the Clinton Community Schools Board of Education appointed Clinton High School Principal Kevin Beazley to the position of Interim Superintendent in addition to his duties as high school principal. Mr. Beazley's appointment was made due to the resignation of former superintendent James Cracraft who accepted a position as superintendent of Gaylord Community Schools.

When the Board of Education learned of Mr. Cracraft's pending departure, the Board engaged the services of the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) to assist the Board in its search for the District's next leader. The Board, with the assistance of MASB, solicited feedback from the school and greater community as to what characteristics the ideal superintendent would have. The Board has reviewed and carefully considered the feedback received and has used such to inform the Board's decision regarding the appointment of a superintendent for Clinton Community Schools.

Believing that Clinton Community Schools has multiple, experienced, and highly-qualified administrators, the Board elected to begin the search for a new superintendent with an internal process. The Board was determined that if the internal process did not result in the identification of a candidate who met the profile established by the Board and the community from the feedback received, the Board would consider external candidates.

Through the internal search process, the Board of Education was able to identify a single finalist that the Board of Education believes is best suited to lead Clinton Community Schools as its superintendent. That individual is Kevin Beazley.

After having served as a short time as Interim Superintendent, the Clinton Community Schools Board of Education voted to remove the interim tag and appoint Kevin Beazley as Superintendent of Clinton Community Schools effective Wednesday, July 20, 2022.

Mr. Beazley will also continue to serve as principal of Clinton High School until such time as a new principal can be identified and hired. The District will begin a search for a new high school principal immediately.

Kevin Beazley has extensive experience at Clinton Community Schools having served as the high school principal since 2013 and as a high school math teacher and athletic director prior to becoming the principal. In total, Mr. Beazley has worked for the District 18 years.

Mr. Beazley has been an essential part of the Clinton Community Schools administrative team for many years. He has extensive institutional knowledge, and he knows the Clinton community well having been raised in Clinton. He is a 1989 graduate of Clinton High School. Mr. Beazley is also familiar with and has been highly involved in the many important initiatives underway within the District, including the many improvements being made to the District's facilities thanks to the support and generosity of the Clinton community.

The Board of Education has great faith in the leadership abilities of Mr. Beazley and believe that together with the District's team of experienced, capable administrators, teachers, and support staff, Clinton Community Schools will continue to be a destination school district in Lenawee County and beyond.