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9-R Board finalizes re-opened superintendent selection process, will have community search committee

The Durango School District 9-R Board of Education will have a community/school search committee to assist them in choosing the next superintendent of 9-R.

The committee will consist of the seven board members and seven additional community/school representatives that will include a community member, a parent, teacher, support staff member, principal, central office administrator, and the board's Durango High School Student Council representative.

The community/school representatives will have a substantive role in the process, including access to the same information that the board does. They are expected to provide insight and perspective to the interview and deliberation process, while respecting the confidentiality required by the search process.

The seven board members and seven community/school representatives will screen four to six candidates and deliberate together. After this joint deliberative process, the board will select the finalists in the presence of the community/school committee members. Two of the community/school representatives will be chosen to continue on to the next phase of the process.

The finalists will be given an opportunity to visit District 9-R schools and the community to learn about the district. In addition, each finalist will participate in a community/school forum that will provide students, parents, employees, and community members an opportunity to meet and question the finalists while the board and selection committee representatives observe the interaction.

After the finalists have had an opportunity to visit the schools and become acquainted with the community and its interests, the seven board members and two community/school representatives will

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Volunteers must be available and attend all superintendent candidate interviews on Friday, April 4, and Saturday, April 5. They must also be available to participate in the finalist interviews; this date has not yet been selected.

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interview the finalists and deliberate together. After receiving input from the two-community/school representatives, the board will select the finalist in their presence.

After selecting the finalist, the board will have the option of a follow up conference with the superintendent candidate, a site visit, and/or offering a contract.

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The board will select the committee members during their meeting on April 1. Letters of interest must be submitted to Board Clerk Kristy Rodri by 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 27, at 201 East 12th Street, in the Superintendent's office.

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