



# MOKENA PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT 159

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September 8, 2017

Dear District Staff and Community Members:

As most of you know, the school board is now entering into the search for a new superintendent and has selected **SCHOOL EXEC CONNECT**, an educational search firm, to assist us in this process.

We are interested in receiving your input for this process. We would appreciate your taking the time to fill out the online survey which will be available on the district's website **[www.mokena159.org](http://www.mokena159.org)** from September 8 – 20.

In addition to the survey, if you would like to provide input on the district's strengths and challenges, and also the characteristics the next superintendent should possess, **SCHOOL EXEC CONNECT** consultant, Dr. Tom Madden, invites you to attend one of following meetings:

Thursday, September 14	Open Forum for Staff	MJH Learning Center 2:25pm
Thursday, September 14	Open Forum for Staff	MES Learning Center 3:30pm
Monday, September 18	Open Forum for Staff	MIS Learning Center 3:00pm
Monday, September 18	Open Forum for Community	MES Boardroom 7:00pm

Findings from the online survey and group meetings will be reported to the Board at its September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. As we move forward, our most important consideration is securing the strongest candidate pool and ultimately the best person to lead our District. We anticipate the selected candidate assuming the superintendent duties by July 1, 2018.

The Board of Education looks forward to your support and assistance with this very important endeavor. Please feel free to contact the consultant assisting us if you have any questions or comments regarding the search: Dr. Tom Madden  
[tommadden@rocketmail.com](mailto:tommadden@rocketmail.com) .

We look forward to your input as we search for a new superintendent to lead Mokena School District 159.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Riedl  
President, Board of Education