

Nome Public Schools

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Nome, Alaska: The Nome Public Schools Board of Education is pleased to announce the selection four individuals as finalists in the search for a new Superintendent.

The Board contracted with the Association of Alaska School Boards to facilitate and conduct a nationwide Superintendent search.

The finalists are:

- **Jamie Burgess** – Currently Interim Superintendent and Director of Federal Programs, Instruction & Accountability of Nome Public Schools (2016-present). Jamie was Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment in Yupiit SD (2015-2016) and Non-Traditional Education Programs Coordinator/Coldwater Academy Director in Avondale, AZ. Jamie has a Masters of Ed from Concordia Univ. Portland, OR, an M.S. in Biochemistry from Univ. of Colorado and a B.S. in Biology from Metropolitan St. Univ., Denver, CO. Jamie holds a Type B administrators certificate and is working towards completion of her Alaska Superintendent.
- **Rayna Neumiller-Hartz** - Currently the interim principal in Eek, AK which is located in Lower Kuskokwim SD but was formerly the Superintendent of Yupiit School District as well as ANE and MEL Grant Manager in Yupiit. She has also been a principal on the Ft. Peck Sioux Reservation in Poplar, MT, at Homer High School in Homer, AK, and for Alaska Gateway, Tok, AK. She has a BA in English from the University of AK Anchorage, an MAT and Med also from the University of AK Anchorage. She has a degree in Tribal Schools Education Leadership from MSU Bozeman. Rayna has a current Superintendent Endorsement from UAS.
- **Pauline Harvey** – Most recently served as the Education Project Manager for the Inuit Circumpolar Council in Anchorage, AK. She has served as UAF Chukchi Campus Director in Kotzebue (2010-2015), and a K-12 principal in Noorvik and Kivalina (2006-2009), and elementary teacher in the Anchorage school district (1987-2006), and an elementary teacher in Noorvik & Kotzebue (1982-1987). Pauline has earned a B.A in Language Arts from Seattle Pacific University, an M. Ed. In Educational Leadership from UAF, and is currently finishing her Superintendent Endorsement credential at UAS (expected in June 2019).
- **Patrick Mayer** – Currently the Superintendent for the Yakutat School District (2018-19) and previously the Superintendent for the Wrangell City School District (2014-2018) in Wrangell, Alaska. Before that he was principal of Delta High School from 2010-2014, principal of Delta Cyber School 2010-2011 and the principal of Fort Greely School (grades 6-8) 2009-2010. Patrick has his Superintendent Endorsement Certificate, has earned a Masters of Education degree from Eastern Washington Univ., a Bachelor of Education from UAA and Bachelor of Science from Washington State Univ.

The finalists have been invited to Nome for on-site interviews and opportunities to meet students, staff and the community, April 17-19, 2019. Candidates will tour the community, visit the schools, and attend a community "candidate forum." See the Nome Public Schools website for the full schedule within the next week.

The Board intends to announce their choice of a new Superintendent as soon as possible following the final interviews and deliberations on the afternoon of Friday, April 19. The new Superintendent is expected to start on or before July 1, 2019.

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March 27, 2019

For immediate release: Correction for Ms. Jamie Burgess, Superintendent Endorsement

Nome, Alaska: The Nome Public Schools Board of Education would like to issue a correction and clarification regarding the Alaska Superintendent Endorsement for Jamie Burgess.

Jamie Burgess possesses a Superintendent Endorsement from the State of Arizona. She has completed the necessary course work to receive an endorsement from the State of Alaska. The application for the Superintendent Endorsement has been submitted and accepted by the Alaska Department Education and Early Development, and the certificate is to be issued within the next couple of months.

The Nome Public Schools Board of Education made it a requirement for consideration as the next Superintendent that each applicant either currently hold a Superintendent Endorsement or is able to obtain one. Ms. Burgess meets that requirement.

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