



Alta-Aurelia Community School District *Achieving Excellence*

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The Alta-Aurelia School Board has selected William Walters as their next Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Walters will be coming to Alta-Aurelia from Climax, Minnesota where he has been serving as Superintendent of Climax-Shelly since 2014. Alta-Aurelia School Board President, Brad Rohwer, stated “Mr. Walters met our top 6 desired Superintendent characteristics. We are looking forward to his student-centered leadership that will involve the staff and communities in our School.” The Alta-Aurelia School Board and Focus Group members were guided throughout the Superintendent Search by their top 6 Desired Superintendent Characteristics: 1. Demonstrates passion for creating a student-centered environment while maintaining high expectations for all involved in the educational process; 2. Ability to deal directly and fairly with faculty, staff, students, parents and community members-morale and trust builder; 3. Unquestioned integrity & honesty- holds strong professional ideals and beliefs; 4. Strong collaborative and visionary leadership skills; 5. Superintendent leadership experience and demonstrated success in a multiple communities and school district-effective leader and 6. Strong fiscal responsibility and management.

The School Board was assisted by 48 Focus Groups members who interviewed each Candidate and provided valuable feedback to the School Board. Mr. Walters passion and dedication to serving students was one of many qualities mentioned by the Focus Group members who helped provide the School Board with input on each Candidate. “The input to the Board was a tremendous help and we greatly appreciate these individuals giving of their time and effort to make this process such a success”, commented Brad Rohwer. Mr. Walters will begin his duties at Alta-Aurelia Schools on July 1, 2019.

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