The Griswold Board of Education Seeks Outstanding Candidates for the Position of:

Superintendent of Schools, Griswold, Connecticut

The Griswold Board of Education seeks an outstanding leader who can further the success of the Griswold Public Schools.

About the Griswold Public Schools

The Mission
The community of Griswold Public Schools educates for excellence by empowering students to become compassionate, confident, creative, resourceful members of society. In actualizing its mission, the district has updated its vision in a collaboratively developed plan identified as Griswold 2025. District goals and student outcomes flow from the vision.

The Means
The Griswold Public Schools serve approximately 1,900 students in grades PK-12 in three schools situated on a single sprawling campus. An off-site alternative school serves high school students whose success depends on a smaller program environment. The high school receives tuition students from the towns of Canterbury, Lisbon, Sprague and Voluntown.

The Superintendent heads the district leadership team that includes the Director of Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment, Director of Special Education, Business Manager, Director of Safety, Campus Activities and Athletics as well as an Alternative School Principal and a Principal and Assistant Principal for each school. In addition to the leadership team, 175 certified staff members serve at the building level.

A seven member Board of Education governs the district. The Board has a record of stability, a commitment to student achievement and education, and a deep sense of community.

The district’s budget for 2015-16 is $25,488,215.

The Schools

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Special Notes About the District

- Positive gains in student achievement continue to be posted
- The district has a distinguished music and theater program
- An outstanding PK program accommodates a high percentage of three- and four-year-olds
- The district is currently a participant in the Fullan Coherence Model Institute
- The community is proud of its strong athletic and extracurricular legacy
- Griswold High School offers a vibrant career pathway model that was recently expanded with the additions of Education and Health and Medicine Pathways.

About Griswold

Griswold is located in eastern Connecticut along the Interstate 395 corridor. Nearly 12,000 people live within its 37 square miles. While small businesses and services employ some residents, many commute to larger communities within New London county and beyond.

Griswold is proud of its history, its present, and its future potential. Griswold’s roots as a farming and textile community have marked the landscape with charm that has endured over time. The town attracts many outdoor adventurists with the presence of Hopeville State Park, Pachaug State Forest, and Pachaug Pond. The annual Sunflower Festival for the Make-A-Wish Foundation attracts thousands of visitors to Buttonwood Farm each summer.

The borough of Jewett City serves as the business and government center for the town. A three-person Board of Selectmen governs Griswold.

About the Position

The successful candidate will inherit:

- a true vision, mission and plan for advancing the Griswold Public Schools
- a Board of Education with a history of constructively working with its superintendents
- students and educators that strive for a positive climate and culture
- an excellent record of communications and relationships
- updated and well-maintained facilities

The successful candidate will be challenged by:

- economics that make budgets difficult to pass
- the continuing quest for improved student outcomes for all students

Applying for the Position

Candidates with proven leadership success and impeccable character are encouraged to apply. Connecticut superintendent certification or eligibility for such is required.

The Board is prepared to offer a compensation package that is regionally competitive and is commensurate with qualifications and experience. The application deadline is February 29, 2016, with an anticipated start date of July 1, 2016.

Interested applicants can contact Dr. Elizabeth Osga, Griswold Superintendent Search, New England School Development Council, 28 Lord Road, Marlborough, MA 01752. Telephone: 508-481-9444, email: search@nesdec.org.

To download an application, go to: www.nesdec.org (http://www.nesdec.org/executive_search/currentsearches.aspx)