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Agua Fria Union High School District Launches Superintendent Search

(AVONDALE, Ariz. – Jan. 25, 2021) – The Governing Board of the Agua Fria Union High School District has contracted with JG Consulting to lead its search for a Superintendent. Following a series of virtual town halls, held in mid-January, the position is now open for candidate submissions. Job requirements and submission instructions are available here: [Agua Fria Union School District - Superintendent](#).

“We have been so fortunate as a school district to have Dr. Dennis Runyan as our superintendent,” said Vickie Landis, board president. “He’ll remain in that position through the end of the school year allowing us the time needed to do a thorough search and find our next superintendent.”

Dr. Runyan has been superintendent for 12 years, previously serving as principal.

JG Consulting conducted three community virtual town halls during the week of January 11. Each meeting resulted in a rich and robust conversation representing a broad group of community members including staff and stakeholders to solicit input as it relates to the qualifications of the next superintendent.

The board has identified and agreed to five objectives that will guide the search effort. The candidate will:

1. Serve the academic needs of all students and expanded learning opportunities
2. Commit to effective communication protocols (internal and external)
3. Implement a district strategic plan
4. Engage with the community with clear and concise communication
5. Collaborate with Governing Board

“The board wants to ensure that our next superintendent not only focuses on the academic needs of our students but has an eye to the future as our community continues to grow,” said Landis.

Applications will be accepted through Feb. 17, 2021.

About Agua Fria Union High School District

Agua Fria Union High School District was established in 1955. The district serves the communities of Avondale, Buckeye, Goodyear, Litchfield, Waddell and part of Glendale with its five high schools: Agua Fria, Canyon View, Desert Edge, Millennium and Verrado, as well as two alternative schools.