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Region 12 Names Marc Gosselin Jr. as New District Superintendent

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WASHINGTON DEPOT, CT – The Region 12 Board of Education is pleased to announce Marc Gosselin Jr. has been appointed Superintendent of Schools.

Gosselin is a Simbury resident who has more than 20 years of experience as an educator, starting as a fourth-grade teacher in Pennsylvania and most recently Superintendent of Schools in Lenox, Mass. He is expected to start at Region 12 in January 2023.



“The only person the Board of Education hires directly — a superintendent — is the most consequential decision a board makes,” said Gregory J. Cava, Chairman of the school board and head of the Superintendent Search Committee. “In Marc Gosselin Jr. we have a dynamic new leader with the experience, talent, ability and drive to continue to move our district down the path we have pursued to make Region 12 the school system every parent in Connecticut wants their children to attend. We eagerly anticipate his arrival and penning the next chapter of the Region 12 story.”

Region 12 serves more than 800 students from Bridgewater, Roxbury and Washington at its four schools, plus students from Bethel, Brookfield, Danbury, New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, and Sherman who attend the high school’s Agriscience program. Sherman students can also choose to attend Region 12’s Shepaug High School.

“These are also terrific, talented students whom we are delighted to host for high school,” Cava said. “You just cannot get better than our current prospects as a school system right now and that is why it was so important to find a superintendent as talented as Marc Gosselin. Our kids from all 10 towns deserve it.”

In Pennsylvania, Gosselin also served as a Special Education Supervisor, Curriculum Supervisor and principal at multiple schools before taking the district leadership position in Massachusetts, where he grew up.

Gosselin attended the University of Hartford and received a Bachelor’s degree in Science Elementary Education, before earning a Master’s in Educational Administration and Leadership at Penn State University and a doctorate in Education Leadership from the University of Pennsylvania.

“I’m thrilled beyond measure to be joining Region 12 as its next Superintendent. I am both honored and humbled to serve such an incredible community,” Gosselin said. “I can’t wait to meet the students, staff, and families, and I look forward to developing relationships in Bridgewater, Roxbury, and Washington.

“In addition, I am excited about the robust academic program and commitment to innovation in a district that also takes pride in ensuring that all students are known. Region 12 is truly a unique and

special place that offers an inspiring and rewarding opportunity for me as an educator to shape students' futures long after graduation.”

He was chosen from a pool of nine applicants from four states that included superintendents, central office personnel, and school-level leaders. The search was facilitated by consultants from Trumbull-based Cooperative Educational Services (CES), who guided the district’s search committee through the decision-making process by providing a leadership profile based on feedback from the district’s various stakeholders, and facilitating the interview process with candidates. The consultants employed an advanced interview technique proven to demonstrate the candidates’ abilities to be successful in the leadership position by assessing their supervisory skills, qualities, and attributes against the established profile.

CES is one of the six [Regional Educational Service Centers \(RESCs\)](#) established by the state legislature to provide supports and services to public school districts. CES serves students and educators in Fairfield County, along with executive search services throughout the state. More information about CES can be found at www.cestumbull.org.

