

# Welcome to the Durand-Arkansaw School District District Administrator Search!



## Application Process

### Requirements

Candidates must hold or be eligible for a Wisconsin superintendent's license.

### How to Apply

The application process can be found on the WASB website: [wasb.org](http://wasb.org).

1. Create an account in the Search Services Portal.
2. Complete your profile.
3. Apply to the Durand-Arkansaw search.

District website: [www.durand.k12.wi.us](http://www.durand.k12.wi.us)

Application deadline: April 22, 2024

Duties will begin July 1, 2024

### Inquiries

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## Timeline

Application Deadline.....	April 22, 2024
Review of Applications.....	April 24, 2024
First Interviews .....	April 30 & May 2, 2024
Final Interviews.....	May 14, 2024
Start Date .....	July 1, 2024

## District Statistics

District Grades .....	PreK-12
Enrollment .....	1,019
Administrators (Dir. of Pupil Services/3 principals) .....	4
Teachers.....	90
Support Staff .....	55
Operating Budget.....	\$15 million
Fund Balance .....	\$ 4.5 million
Assessed Property Valuation .....	almost \$800 million

## Mission

To stimulate, facilitate and educate.

## Vision

Our children will be respectful,  
responsible and resourceful.

# Durand-Arkansaw School District

## District Administrator Candidate Profile

The Durand–Arkansaw School District is seeking an educational leader committed to supporting a collaborative school culture focused on providing high-quality learning opportunities for all students. The successful candidate will be a resourceful problem solver who demonstrates approachability, integrity, honesty and the ability to be an open-minded, yet decisive, leader. In addition, the next superintendent of the Durand–Arkansaw School District will be able to:

### Leadership

- delegate when appropriate and demonstrate trust in staff.
- inspire the continuous improvement of learning opportunities for all students.
- support innovative programs, strategies and technology.
- promote a variety of learning opportunities at all school levels.

### People Skills

- be approachable and highly visible in the school and community.
- build trusting, positive relationships with district staff, the school board, parents and community members.
- exhibit a positive attitude and sense of humor.

### District Operations

- demonstrate expertise in the management of school finances.
- seek out and implement effective strategies for recruiting and retaining high-quality staff.
- understand the details of the budget process and ensure the budget is aligned to district priorities.
- manage resources to sustain and strengthen program offerings, maintain facilities and provide funding for improvement projects.



### Communication

- connect and communicate with stakeholders using multiple forms of media.
- explain instructional programs and financial issues to community members and staff in a clear, consistent manner.
- listen with the desire to learn and understand.

# About the School District

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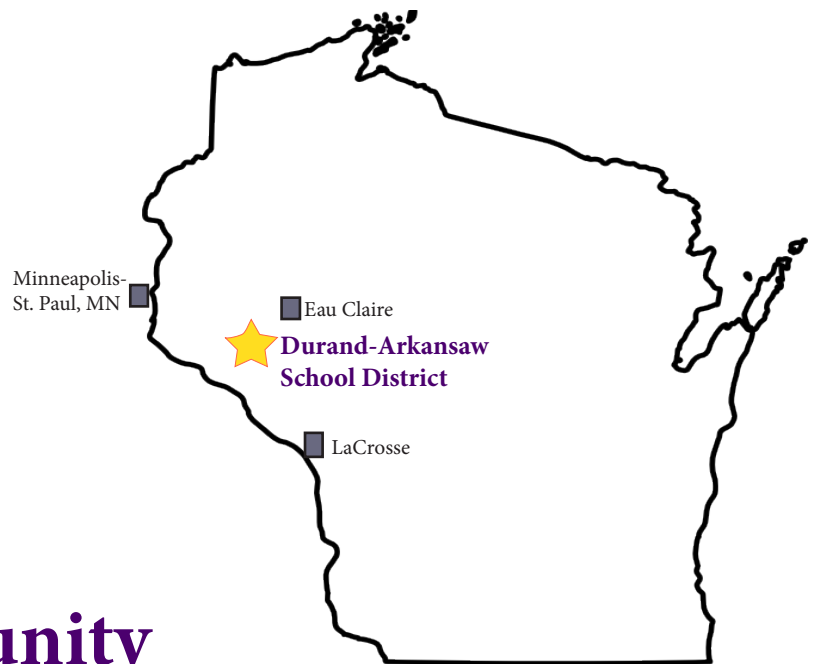
The Durand-Arkansaw School District has two school buildings. Caddie Woodlawn Elementary School houses 488 students in PreK-5th grade, and the Durand-Arkansaw Middle & High School has 531 students in grades 6-12. We have had a slight increase in enrollment over the past couple years and enrollment is currently holding steady. The district outsources our maintenance/custodial services and our bus transportation. The district also contracts with the City of Durand for a school resource officer.

The electors of the school district passed a referendum in April 2015 for remodeling and additions to both Caddie Woodlawn Elementary School and the Durand-Arkansaw Middle & High School. The projects were completed in 2016. A new football field and track was completed in 2018 with a synthetic turf and a rubberized running track. New softball fields and a concession stand were completed in 2022 at Tarrant Park in Durand.

## District Highlights

- A Senior Awards & Scholarship Program is held every May. Last May, the program awarded more than \$625,000 in scholarships to our graduating seniors.
- The district offers some Advanced Placement courses and some transcribed courses through Chippewa Valley Technical College.
- Extracurricular opportunities include Academic Decathlon, Forensics, Drama, Student Council, Esports, FFA, Skills USA, Pep Club and Yearbook.
- Athletic programs include football, volleyball, boys' and girls' cross country, wrestling, boys' and girls' basketball, golf, baseball, softball, and girls' and boys' track.
- The district has a school resource officer.





## About the Community

The Durand-Arkansaw School District is located in the scenic hills and valleys along the southern end of the Chippewa River in Durand, Wisconsin. The school district serves the communities of Durand, Arkansaw, Eau Galle, Nelson and Rock Falls. It is approximately 20 miles from Menomonie and 30 miles from Eau Claire. The school district covers approximately 250 square miles and is composed of 16 municipalities in the counties of Pepin, Buffalo and Dunn.

Summer festivals include the Durand Fun Fest and Arkansaw Creek Park Day. Music events include Music in the Park in Durand three times during the summer and Blues on the Chippewa, a weekend event in Durand during August. The community uses the Chippewa River State Trail for biking and hiking; it extends from Durand to Eau Claire and junctions with the Red Cedar State Trail. The community also has a golf course, and a new swimming pool is being constructed and will open in 2025.

### Related Websites

- [Durand-Arkansaw School District](#)
- [City of Durand](#)
- [Pepin County Visitor's Guide](#)