



## **South Hardin School Boards Name Chris Fenster Next District Superintendent**

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ELDORA, IA — The Eldora-New Providence (E-NP) and Hubbard-Radcliffe (H-R) Community School District Boards of Directors, partnered together as South Hardin Schools, have named Chris Fenster as the next district superintendent.

Currently serving as superintendent of Southwest Valley Schools, Fenster leads curriculum and programming efforts to research and adopt a curriculum that aligns K-5 and 6-12 instruction district-wide, while also increasing dual credit, Advanced Placement, career and technical education, and apprenticeships. He led two successful capital bond referendums to improve facilities to meet the 21st century learning needs while increasing operational sharing positions to both provide system infrastructure support and increase revenue for the budget.

Fenster previously served as superintendent of the North Linn Community Schools. He has nearly 20 years of experience in K-12 leadership and instruction.

“I am incredibly excited to be selected as the next superintendent of the South Hardin Schools,” Fenster said. “During my time interviewing with the boards and getting to know the district, I have been impressed with the amazing dedication of the teachers and staff, as well as the engagement of parents and families. I look forward to starting the next chapter in South Hardin.”

Fenster holds a specialist in educational leadership degree and a master of education degree from Drake University.

“We are pleased to appoint a highly experienced and well-respected district leader to this critical role for our schools,” said Jared Cook, E-NP Board President. “We believe that Mr. Fenster has the right mix of skills, experiences, and approach to make a big impact for our students, staff, and families. We look forward to seeing his leadership in action in the coming school year and beyond.”

Board members worked with [Grundmeyer Leader Services](#) to conduct the search. Fenster interviewed with stakeholder interview groups on Monday, January 27.

Fenster will officially begin leading South Hardin Schools on July 1, 2025.

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