

WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SEEKING SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Our Mission

The Wattsburg Area School District challenges all students with rigorous, differentiated instruction provided by a caring staff.

Our Motto

The Wattsburg Area School District is student-centered and future-focused for a world class education.



Our School District

Located in a quaint rural area of eastern Erie County, the Wattsburg Area School District serves as a bedroom community for the city of Erie. Many of our district residents are employed by the largest businesses in Erie, which include Erie Indemnity Co. (Erie Insurance), UPMC Hamot, Wabtec US Rail Inc., State Government, Walmart and Allegheny Health Network St. Vincent Health Center. The district encompasses four townships (Amity, Greene, Greenfield, Venango) and one borough, Wattsburg, covering 144 square miles. Our beautifully maintained campus and facilities include Wattsburg Area Elementary Center, Wattsburg Area Middle School, and Seneca High School. The campus also includes the district administration office, transportation depot, outdoor athletic facilities, outdoor learning areas, playgrounds, a frisbee golf course, vegetable gardens and a student-built greenhouse.

Collaborative Planning

The Wattsburg Area School District prides itself on offering state-of-the-art curriculum, technology, facilities, transportation and food service for the nearly 1,300 students we serve. The district continues to engage in multiple Guaranteed Energy Savings Act (GESA) projects that have positively benefited our facilities and budget. The administration and school board have a long-standing collaborative relationship that results in on-going district improvements and enhancements through intentional planning and budgeting. The 2025-2026 Final General Fund Budget was set at \$39,221,108. Of note, each of the nine current school board members has students attending district schools.



Student Opportunities

Student achievement is at the forefront of all efforts in the Wattsburg Area School District. Starting at the youngest age, our district works in partnership with the YMCA to provide early learning programs as well as before school and after school care at our elementary center. Our students have access to many additional opportunities which amplify the district curriculum including Erie County Technical School programming, Gifted Support, Autistic Support, Emotional Support, Life Skills Support, Advanced Placement courses, RMU College in the High School, and dual enrollment courses at all four local universities. Seneca High School ranked 2nd among 11 Erie County high schools on 2024-2025 Keystone performance for both Algebra and Literature assessments.





Student Activities

In addition to the outstanding academic, athletic, musical, and theatrical programs, the Wattsburg Area School District has a strong commitment to and support of numerous extra- and co-curricular activities for our students.

Elementary Center

- Fuel Up
- Leaders of the month
- Local Food Pantry trip
- Soccer
- Cross country
- Basketball
- Track and field
- Wrestling
- Football
- Little league baseball



Middle School

- FIRST LEGO League
- Science Olympiad
- Trout in the Classroom
- PSU Behrend Mentor Program
- Hoops for Heart



High School

- National Honor Society
- Student Council
- Air Force Jr. ROTC
- Unified Bocce
- Future Frontliners (UPMC Hamot)

The Leadership class at the high school also organizes the Homecoming Carnival, Summer Send-off Car Show, and 20TIME projects all benefiting many community members and regional organizations.



School District Leadership

The successful candidate will:

- be a strong leader that is active in school communities and visible throughout the region
- continue the long-held practice of administration and school board collaboration
- possess the educational background and communication skills that promotes a collaborative student-centered environment
- be skilled in short-term and long-term intentional planning and budgeting
- have proven experience as a teacher, school administrator, and preferably central office administrator
- demonstrate the capacity to advocate for ethical decisions and cultivate professional norms and culture



Salary and Benefits

The salary for the successful candidate will be determined based upon proven experience, qualifications, and meeting Board criteria, which includes an excellent benefits package.

Requirements

Interested candidates should apply online with Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit by providing the following only:

- Signed cover letter
- Detailed curriculum vitae
- PA Letter of Eligibility
- Three (3) recent letters of reference (dated within the last 12 months)

Additional documents should not be submitted online—other needed items will be requested separately after initial submission which will include applicable PA clearances and other required background forms. To apply, visit the following link and locate the job opening: <https://tinyurl.com/WattsburgSuperintendent>

For additional information, please contact Brad Whitman at brad_whitman@iu5.org.

Wattsburg Area School District and the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit are Equal Employment Opportunity Employers.

Application Deadline: April 3, 2026

Check us out at: www.wattsburg.org

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