

**ADMINISTRATION - Series 300**

**301 Superintendent of Schools**

**301.1 Qualifications, Recruitment, Appointment**

The board shall employ a superintendent to serve as the chief executive officer of the board, to conduct the daily operations of the school district, and to implement board policy with the power and duties prescribed by the board and the law.

The board shall consider applicants that meet or exceed the standards set by the Iowa Department of Education and the qualifications established in the job description for the superintendent position. In employing a superintendent, the board shall consider the qualifications, credentials and records of the applicants without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, gender identity, age, disability, marital status or sexual orientation. In keeping with the law, however, the board will consider veteran status of the applicants. The board will look closely at the training, experience, skill and demonstrated competence of qualified applicants in its final decision.

In choosing a superintendent, the board shall also consider the school district's educational philosophy, financial situation, organizational structure, education programs and other factors deemed relevant by the board.

The board may contract for assistance in the search for a superintendent.

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Legal Reference: 29 U.S.C. Sections 621-634 (1988).  
42 U.S.C. Section 2000e et seq. (1988).  
42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et seq. (Supp. 1990).  
Iowa Code Sections 21.5(1)(i); 35C; 216; 279.8, .20 (1995).  
281 I.A.C. 12.4(4).  
1980 Op. Att'y Gen. 367.

Cross Reference: 201.3 General Powers and Duties  
306 Cabinet  
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