

**April 28, 2021**

**Update from the Fayette County Board of Education chair**

Dear FCPS community,

The search to select a new superintendent impacts our entire community. We are therefore committed to keeping you informed about our progress. I'm pleased to share that the search remains on schedule. In this next phase, the screening committee will learn more about the applicants.

- Last Friday, the [screening committee](#) spent the day reviewing applicants' materials. This included resumes, curricula vitae (CVs), cover letters, and initial reference lists.
- The screening committee then selected the applicants who met the minimum qualifications and aligned most closely with the professional competencies and interpersonal competencies outlined in the [Superintendent Position Profile](#). The committee is excited to learn more about these candidates through a first round of interviews.
- After the first round of interviews, Greenwood/Asher and Associates will complete the reference checks. Some screening committee members may also volunteer to participate in the referencing process. Reference calls are made to supervisors, peers, and direct reports who have worked closely with the candidates and can speak to the candidates' leadership skills and accomplishments. Information gathered through this phase of the search will be shared with the screening committee.

I'd like to again express my gratitude to the screening committee. I'm sure everyone is just as eager as I am to learn more about the candidates, but this phase takes a great deal of time and serious consideration, thus keeping the committee focused through mid-May. We recognize the hiring of a superintendent is the most important decision a school board can make, and we'll continue to keep you posted. For the complete timeline, please visit <https://www.fcps.net/search>.

Sincerely,

Tyler Murphy  
Fayette County Board of Education chair