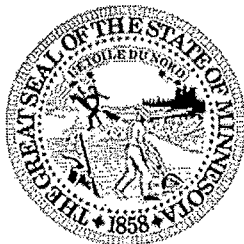


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**Governor Tim Walz**

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

**Annette Freiheit**

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed you to the office of:

**Superintendent Member**  
**Board of the Minnesota State Academies**

Effective: July 5, 2023

Expires: January 4, 2027

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed June 30, 2023.



Handwritten signature of Tim Walz in black ink.

**Tim Walz**  
Governor

Handwritten signature of Steve Simon in black ink.

**Steve Simon**  
Secretary of State

Replacing: Marty Duncan

**Part I: Position Sought**

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Agency Name: Board Of The Minnesota State Academies  
Position: Superintendent Member

**Part II: Applicant Information**

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Name: Annette Freiheit  
Phone: (507) 421-8558  
County: Winona  
In House District: 26A  
S House District: 1  
Recommended by the Appointing Authority: False

**Part III: Appending Documentation**

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**Cover Letter and Resume**

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**Part V: Signature**

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Signature: Annette K. Freiheit  
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# **Annette K. Freiheit**

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## **OBJECTIVE**

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Superintendent Member for the Board of the Minnesota Academies

## **EDUCATION**

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### **Hamline University, St. Paul, MN**

2011-2019      Doctorate of Education  
Dissertation: "Female School Superintendents: Their Journey To The  
Superintendency in Minnesota

2008-2011      K-12 Reading Licensure Program (used knowledge to assist teachers in  
improving reading program and implementation of response to  
intervention)

### **Winona State University, Winona, MN**

1998-2002      Completed credit requirements for education administration licensure  
(District Superintendent and K-12 Principal)

1995-1998      M.S., Educational Leadership

1987-1989      B.S., Elementary Education (Grades 1-6 Certification)

1979-1983      B.S., Recreational Therapy

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## **LICENSURE AREAS**

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### **Minnesota License #319398 – expires June 30, 2025**

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Elementary Education, grades 1-6  
Coaching, grades 7-12

Principal, K-12

District Superintendent

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## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

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2019-2023	Superintendent Winona Area Public Schools	Winona, MN
2016-2019	Superintendent Pine City Public Schools	Pine City, MN
2002-2016	Elementary Principal Hayfield and Brownsdale Elementary School	Hayfield and Brownsdale, MN
2000-2002	Elementary Teacher Hayfield Elementary School	Hayfield, MN
1998-2000	Curriculum and Testing Director Stewartville School District	Stewartville, MN
1997-1999	Graduation Standards Director Fillmore Central Public Schools	Harmony, MN

1989-1997

Elementary Teacher  
Kenyon-Wanamingo Public School

Kenyon, MN

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

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- American Association of School Administrators (AASA)
- Minnesota Association of School Administrators (MASA)
- National Elementary School Principal Association (NAESP)
- Minnesota Elementary School Principal Association (MESPA)
  - Southeast Division President-Elect, 2015-16
  - MESPA Communications Committee Member, 2015-16
- International Reading Association (IRA)
- Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD)

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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- AASA National Superintendent Certification Academy, MASA Cohort
- AASA National Superintendent Certification Academy, Midwest Cohort
- Great Start Cohort (MASA)
- Aspiring Superintendents Academy (AASA/MASA)
- Marzano Resource Leadership Academy
- Minnesota Principals Academy-Rochester Cohort
- Framework for Teaching: An Introduction and Mentoring and Coaching Using the Framework
- Response to Intervention/Problem Solving Model: Improving Instruction for All Students
- Assessment for Learning Institute
- Professional Learning Communities at Work Institute
- SMART School Team Training
- Continuous Improvement – multiple trainings including evaluator training for MN Council for Quality

## **CORE SKILLS**

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|----------------------------|--|
| ▪ Curriculum Development   | ▪ Continuous Improvement               |
| ▪ Professional Development | ▪ Budget Administration                |
| ▪ Response to Intervention | ▪ Strategic Planning and Data Analysis |
| ▪ School Board Governance  | ▪ Human Resource                       |

## **TECHNOLOGY SKILLS**

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Proficient in:

- Smart Board
- Microsoft 2010 (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher)
- Internet
- Webpage development and maintenance
- Social Media
- Digital Photography
- iPad

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## **REFERENCES**

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Available upon request

June 25, 2023

Re: Cover Letter for the Superintendent Member position on the Board of The Minnesota State Academies

The Honorable Governor Tim Walz of Minnesota:

It is with great interest that I submit this letter of application for the position of the Superintendent Member of the Board Of The Minnesota State Academies. I have been an elementary teacher, elementary school principal, curriculum coordinator and superintendent in my 34 years of experience in education. Most recently I served as the superintendent of Winona Area Public Schools for the past four years (2019 to 2023). I am retiring on June 30, 2023.

I believe my professionalism, experience, education and dedication make me an ideal candidate for this position as my resume indicates. My experiences have given me a well-grounded foundation of leadership skills that will enable me to successfully support and promote the academic success of students at the Minnesota State Academies alongside the other members of the Board.

My leadership is grounded in a student-centered focus and deeply-held belief in every child succeeding when they are provided the systems and tools to support their learning, growing and transitioning into adulthood. As a member of The Board, I would dedicate my learning and time to ensuring to support the vision, mission, guiding beliefs and the strategic plan of the Minnesota State Academies alongside the students, families, staff, Board and community.

I would be happy to meet with you to discuss my background and qualifications. You may reach me at 507-421-8558 (cell phone). I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

*Annette K. Freiheit*

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