



Marion Community Unit School District # 2

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Dear Marion CUSD #2 Staff, Parents/Caregivers and Community Members,

The purpose of this letter is to announce Mr. Steve Cook, Marion CUSD #2 Board of Education Member's resignation as of March 6, 2023. A change in his primary residence will put his residency just outside of the Marion CUSD #2 District boundaries, therefore, making him ineligible to finish the remaining two years of his term that concludes in April/May 2025.

On behalf of the Board of Education and Marion CUSD #2, I would like to thank Mr. Cook for his steadfast and unwavering service to the students, parents/caregivers and staff of Marion CUSD #2 Schools. While on the Board, Mr. Cook served on the Finance, Insurance and Negotiations Committees and assisted in shaping important District policy. Mr. Cook has faithfully served Marion CUSD #2 since being elected in 2013.

In order to fill the vacancy, the Board will be utilizing *Board Policy 2:70 Vacancies on the Board of Education - Filling Vacancies*. The Board Policy Manual can be accessed via the District Home Page at www.marionunit2.org / Board of Education / Board Policy Manual.

The Marion CUSD #2 Board of Education is currently accepting Board Member Applications to serve the remainder of a two-year term that will conclude April/May 2025. In order for applications to be considered applicants must meet the eligibility requirements as listed on the application and reside in any Marion Township, with the exception of West Township.

The application deadline is Friday, March 24, 2023 by 4:00 p.m.. The application form may be found at www.marionunit2.org / Board of Education tab. Please submit an application to Marion CUSD #2 Administration Office or email a completed application to Board Secretary Monica Lynn at mlynn@marionunit2.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Keith Oates'.

Keith Oates
Superintendent