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Community Engagement Milestone: Survey Hits 1,275+ Mark in Providing Input on Search for Permanent Superintendent

Deadline to complete short online survey is this Wed. at midnight, May 18

Information gathered will help create 'Leadership Profile' used to identify ideal slate of candidates to lead Pittsburgh Public Schools

The Leadership Profile will be presented by search firm to the public at a Board meeting during a Special Session on May 26, 2022

PITTSBURGH, May 16, 2022 – Community members are letting their voices be heard as part of the community engagement phase in the Pittsburgh Board of Public Education's efforts to identify an ideal slate of candidates to lead Pittsburgh Public Schools as its permanent Superintendent.

As of Sunday evening, 1,276 surveys have been completed, submitted, and received since the survey went "live" on May 4, 2022. The survey is part of a multi-pronged approach to help collect input regarding the leadership traits and qualities needed to identify the next permanent Superintendent.

"We thank those who have completed the survey thus far. However, we hope to receive maximum community input in this important process, and there's still time for people to participate and take the survey," said Sala Udin, Board President. The deadline for completing the [online survey](#) is this coming Wednesday at midnight, May 18. In addition to being administered in the English language, the survey is also available in these languages: Spanish, Arabic, Nepali, Pashto, Swahili and Russian.

In March, the Board hired the consulting firm BWP & Associates (BWP) to lead the national search to identify qualified candidates to fill the post of permanent Superintendent for the District. BWP will use information gathered from the Community Surveys, along with one-on-one meetings, small focus group sessions, and Community Forums held last week.

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About Pittsburgh Public Schools

The Pittsburgh Public School District is the largest of 43 school districts in Allegheny County and second largest in Pennsylvania. The District serves 20,350 students in pre-kindergarten through graduation. The Pittsburgh Public Schools offers students a variety of options and opportunities that will help them succeed in school and prepare them for whatever comes next in college, career and life.

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The insights garnered from the outreach efforts will build the foundation on which the Leadership Profile is developed by BWP and utilized in the selection recruiting process. **The Leadership Profile will be presented to the public at a Board meeting during a Special Session on May 26, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. More details about this meeting will be shared in the coming days.**

The nine-member Board will make the ultimate hiring decision for the next permanent Superintendent. Note: Due to personnel and privacy issues, the candidate pool must remain confidential until the final selection is announced.

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