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WEST LAFAYETTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION NAMES SHAWN GREINER SUPERINTENDENT

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WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. – Shawn Greiner, the 2020 Indiana Association of Public-School Superintendents District IV Superintendent of the Year, was introduced as superintendent of schools for the West Lafayette Community School Corporation on Monday (Dec. 20).

The West Lafayette Board of School Trustees approved Greiner's hiring at a special meeting that culminated a nearly four-month national search to replace Rocky Killion, who retired June 30.

"I am both humbled and excited to move into the West Lafayette community and connect with students, teachers, administrators, families and partners," Greiner said. "I am eager to serve and collaborate with all stakeholders to continue to build on the outstanding accomplishments and programs our school community offers."

"The most important role as superintendent is servant leadership to the community, ensuring our students receive a quality education, allowing every student to learn in a safe and welcoming environment where every learner can reach their highest potential. I believe every decision we make must be based on what is in the best interest of our students."

Greiner, who will begin Feb. 1, comes to West Lafayette from Southmont Schools in Crawfordsville, Indiana, where he has served as superintendent of schools since 2013.

Southmont Schools is comprised of three elementary schools, one junior high school and one high school – totaling over 1,600 students. Southmont High School has above a 98% graduation rate. Under Greiner's leadership, Southmont Schools completed a feasibility study that resulted in \$34 million worth of districtwide capital improvements focusing on safety, energy efficiency and learning area updates.

Greiner is a member of the Indiana Association of Public-School Superintendents; AASA, The School Superintendents Association; and the Indiana Association of School Business Officials. He is an Indiana school safety advanced specialist.

Greiner also has been active in the community, serving as a board member for the Montgomery County Character Counts program and as a volunteer with the Crawfordsville Rotary Club, Montgomery County Workforce Development and Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce.

Prior to becoming a superintendent, Greiner was a principal at four Indiana schools: Thorpe Creek Elementary and Harrison Parkway Elementary in Fishers (2005-13), Maplewood Elementary in Connersville (2002-05), and C.R. Richardson Elementary in Richmond (2000-02). He was a teacher for Fayette County Schools in Connersville, Indiana, from 1990-2000.

"We were fortunate to have an extremely strong pool of candidates, and over the course of a thorough selection process, which included input from many stakeholders, Shawn clearly rose to the top," said Alan Karpick, president of the West Lafayette Board of School Trustees. "His experience as a superintendent after many years as a principal and teacher, bolstered by his contagious energy and passion, stood out. We know Shawn will put his heart and soul into making our wonderful school district even better, and we look forward to welcoming him and his family to our community."

Greiner earned a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education from Ball State University in 1989. He also has two Master of Arts degrees from Ball State (elementary education in 1993 and

education administration and supervision in 2000). He earned an educational specialist degree in 2010 and a Ph.D. in education administration in 2013, both from Indiana State University.

Greiner and his wife, *Wakako*, have four children: Takeshi, Taishi, Tatsuya and Tomoko.