

Superintendent of Schools

School Union 76

Brooklin, Deer Isle-Stonington and Sedgwick, Maine

Application Deadline: January 31, 2022

Effective Date: July 1, 2022

School Union 76 would like to extend an invitation to apply for the open position of Superintendent of Schools.

School Union 76 (SU 76) provides central services for the island communities of Deer Isle and Stonington, located on the bridged island of Deer Isle, and the coastal communities of Brooklin and Sedgwick. The Superintendent also provides contract service to the island community of Isle Au Haut, which is not part of SU 76.

The Deer Isle-Stonington CSD 13 contains an elementary school and high school on a single campus. The elementary school is home to the Reach Performing Arts Center.

Brooklin and Sedgwick each have their own PreK-8 school. The majority of their secondary students enroll at George Stevens Academy, a public/private high school in neighboring Blue Hill. The current SU 76 student count is 553. This number includes the students of Isle au Haut and those attending a high school other than DISHS from Brooklin and Sedgwick, as they remain the responsibility of the sending town even though they are not attending a school within SU 76.

The SU 76 schools provide our students with a comprehensive, personalized learning experience that includes opportunities to learn both inside and outside the classroom. Community partnerships are essential to this effort. We are fortunate to be able to count the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Edible Island, Project Launch, Island Heritage Trust, the Brooklin Community Garden, Magic School Bus, the Brooklin Boat Yard, the Reach Performing Arts Center and Opera House Arts among the organizations that provide essential support for our approach to learning.

Each community district has its own board and negotiates their own budget, professional, and support staff contracts. The combined SU 76 budget is \$11,538,990 for 2021- 2022. This includes each individual district budget plus the central office budget and that of Isle au Haut.

The area encompassed by SU 76 and surrounding communities is known for its stunning natural beauty and many 4-season options for outdoor activities and for those with other interests. Deer Isle, Brooklin and Sedgwick all border the Eggemoggin Reach and are renowned for sailing and other recreational boating opportunities. Sedgwick is the location of one of the most spectacular and most photographed vistas in Maine which provides a sweeping view of blueberry fields and the Penobscot Bay with the Campden Hills and Isle au Haut in the distance. Brooklin is the self-proclaimed “Boatbuilding Capital of the World” and is the home of the Atlantic Boat Yard and the Brooklin Boat Yard, while Stonington is the pre-eminent lobster port of Maine. The Haystack Mountain School of Arts, Stonington Opera House and Reach Performing Arts Center and numerous well-established individual artists of all types throughout our SU 76 communities and beyond provide for a robust arts community. Island Heritage Trust and other area conservation organizations provide a wide network of well established, easily accessed hiking trails and opportunities for other outdoor activities. While off the beaten path, the area has small, but strong year-round communities, healthy summer communities and is a popular tourist destination during the late spring, summer and fall seasons.

Candidate Qualifications:

Due to the compact nature of the Union and the small central office staff, the ideal candidate will be well-rounded in all aspects of school administration. The successful candidate must possess strong financial and leadership skills, be an educational leader in curriculum/professional development, be actively engaged with the community, and be an effective communicator.

- Maine State Superintendent certification (010) required
- Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience
- Competitive benefits

For more information about School Union 76, visit our website: <https://www.su76.org/>.

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Interested candidates should contact Maine School Management Association to request application materials.

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