

Dr. Ron Hanson  
Superintendent



Dr. Ron Hanson is beginning his first year as the new superintendent of the North Platte School District. The District is committed to providing a quality education to all students. As an administrator and educational professional for over 30 years, he has had the opportunity to work in small and large school districts. Dr. Hanson's states, *"there is no doubt in my mind that North Platte School District offers excellent educational opportunities for all students. I am proud to be able to join a dedicated and passionate staff and community that are focused on creating positive learning experiences for students."*

Dr. Hanson will vest in providing leadership in collaboration with the Board of Education, staff, families, and patrons of the community. One of his greatest beliefs is that ***all students can learn*** given an educational environment that is excellent. An environment that is inspiring, positive, and enriching makes school engaging and when students look forward to attending school, they will learn. Together, the North Platte School District can create an educational culture that our community is proud of and provide experiences that will last long after students graduate.

Kimberley Kaschke  
Board President  
(Resigning December 2015)



Kimberley Kaschke joined the Board of Education in January, 2011 and is the current President. Kimberley serves on the Finance committee and has previously served in the role of Vice President, served on the Communications and Personnel committees and served as Board Liaison for the North Platte Public Schools Foundation. Kimberley graduated from Cranford College with a major in Marketing and Management and is the Director of Corporate and Local Marketing for First National Bank of Omaha, living and working in North Platte. Much of Kimberley's community involvement and leadership has been focused around the youth and the development of the North Platte area. Kimberley and her husband, Marc, have five children: Jordan, Ashlyn, Camden, Gracelyn and Lexus, all of whom have attended, or are currently attending North Platte Public Schools.

Kathy Phares  
Board Vice President



Kathy Phares joined the Board of Education in January, 2009. Kathy grew up in Wisner, NE, and graduated from Wisner-Pilger High School in 1986. Following this, she received a B.A. in Language Arts/Secondary Education from College of Saint Mary in Omaha, NE, in 1990.

Kathy taught in the Hershey Public School system for three years following her graduation. She married North Platte native Brian Phares in 1993. They have two children, Andrew and Sarah, who are students in the North Platte Public School System. Kathy has been an active member of parent/teacher organizations, church activities and various youth activities in the community. She is currently the Senior Clinic Manager for Great Plains Physician Network.

Jack Price  
Board Secretary



Jack Price joined the Board Of Education in January 2013 and is currently serving on the Finance and Personnel Committees as well as Negotiations for the district. Jack received his BA from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in Secondary Education and his MA from Western Illinois University in Educational Administration. Jack is a retired school administrator having served in Iowa, Colorado and Nebraska as a principal and Central Office administrator. He retired from the North Platte Public Schools in 2005. He has served on numerous community organization Boards while in North Platte. He is married to Patty, a retired North Platte Public Schools early childhood special education teacher, and has three children and 6 grandchildren.

Mike Morrell  
Board Member



Mike Morrell joined the Board of Education in January 2013, and currently serves on the Curriculum/Personnel subcommittee. Mike grew up in North Platte and graduated from NPHS in 1993. He went on to graduate from Mid-Plains Community College with an associate degree in welding/machine technology. He has been employed at Union Pacific Railroad since 1996. He married Marcie in 1997 and they have two children Miles and Mattie who both attend North Platte Public Schools.

They regularly attend the Berean Church. Mike also served as President of the Hall School Parent Teacher organization for 4 years and coached many sporting events.

Jo Ann Lundgreen  
Board Member



Jo Ann Lundgreen joined the Board of Education in January of 2015. She currently serves on the Communication/Finance Board Subcommittee and as the Board liaison to the North Platte Public Schools Foundation. Jo Ann was raised in Montana until her family moved to North Platte the summer before her sophomore year. She graduated from North Platte High School in 1993. She went on to graduate from Southern Utah University with a degree in Communications. Jo Ann began working, part-time, for the Development office at Mid-Plains Community college in April of 2014. She has been an active member of the Jefferson Elementary Parent Teacher Organization since 2003 where she has served as Treasurer, Vice President and 3 years as President. Jo Ann also served as a member of the District's Shaping the Future Committee which studied the NPPS Middle School Reconfiguration. Jo Ann married her spouse, Brent, in 1994. They have 4 children who attend North Platte Public Schools. They are active members of The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints and actively participate in many youth activities in the community including Scouting and coaching various sports.

Delbert (Skip) Altig  
Board Member



Skip has been a member of the Board since April 2015. He graduated from St. Patrick's High School in North Platte in 1972. He received an Associate of Arts degree from North Platte Junior College in 1974. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in speech and Theater from Kearney State College in 1976 and a Master of Arts degree from Kearney State College (Speech and Theater) in 1988. Skip taught speech, debate, and drama at North Platte High School for 36 years, retiring in 2013. He has been married to his wife Susan, also a retired teacher, since 1977. They have two sons, Van and Kurt, both graduates of North Platte High School. They have three grandchildren. Skip is an active member of the Episcopal Church in North Platte. He was a very active member of the North Platte Education Association, Nebraska State Education Association, National Education Association, and the Nebraska Speech Communication and Theater Association. He currently judges speech and drama productions throughout the state.

## PROFILE OF NORTH PLATTE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

<b>Enrollment</b>	4135	<b># Units for Graduation</b>	245
<b>2015-2016 Budget</b>	\$40 Million	<b>Salary Range Teachers</b>	\$34,950-\$73,745
<b>Federal%</b>	10%	<b>Salary Range Principals</b>	\$94,760 - \$120,000
<b>State%</b>	40%	<b>Years Supt has Served</b>	First
<b>Local%</b>	50%	<b>Collective Bargaining</b>	No
<b>Other%</b>	0%	<b>Term of School Board</b>	3 years
<b>Per Pupil Exp.</b>	\$9673	<b>School Board Members</b>	Elected
<b>Elementary</b>	9	<b>% Minority Students</b>	15%
<b>Middle Schools</b>	2	<b>Number Student Free/Red</b>	43.5%
<b>High Schools</b>	1	<b>Most Recent Bond</b>	January 2001
		<b>Result</b>	New High School
		<b>Amount</b>	\$29 million