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Ripon High School and Lumen Charter High School Principal Finalists Announced

Ripon, WI – Two finalists for the Ripon High School and Lumen Charter High School principal position have been announced today by Dr. Mary Whitrock, Ripon School Superintendent.

Community members are invited to a Meet-and-Greet Reception for each candidate on Wednesday, July 23. These public receptions are scheduled back-to-back at 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., in room 167 of Ripon High School.

The finalists are Seth Meinel and William Greymont. Both candidates are experienced high school teachers and are currently serving as high school assistant principals. A thirteen member selection committee conducted preliminary interviews with five highly qualified candidates earlier this week. The committee consisted of members of the school board, administration, parents, and high school faculty and staff. High school students conducted building tours for the candidates.

William Greymont is a Port Washington native and a former high school social studies teacher in Wisconsin Heights and Cedar Grove and a Title I teacher in Milwaukee. For the past five years he has been an assistant principal at Beaver Dam High School. Mr. Greymont holds a degree from UW-Madison, completed his teaching certification from UW-Milwaukee, and retired after 20 years in the Army National Guard as a major. He spent a year deployed in Kuwait and Iraq as a 1-121 field artillery battalion operations officer. Mr. Greymont received his master's degree in Educational Administration from Cardinal Stritch University. His responsibilities included curriculum development, department supervision, teacher development and alternative student programming. A proud Eagle Scout and swimming coach, Mr. Greymont is respected for his work ethic, integrity, and ability to work with others.

Seth Meinel, a native of Green Bay and former high school social studies teacher, is an assistant principal of Portage High School and principal of the Portage Academy of Achievement where he has been an administrator for three years. A graduate of Lawrence University, Mr. Meinel played two years of college football before becoming a high school football coach. Subsequently, he received his master's degree in Educational Leadership from UW-Madison. As the Portage High

School assistant principal, Mr. Meinel's responsibilities include developing curriculum, co-directing Career and Technical Education, evaluating staff using the CESA 6 model, and providing discipline and attendance support. He has worked with teachers to create learning labs and modify courses to personalize instruction for students needing academic assistance. He is highly regarded as a great communicator, a quick learner, and a person with integrity.

"The Ripon Area School District attracted high quality candidates through our recruiting process. The selection committee was impressed with all five of the candidates interviewed," stated Superintendent Whitrock. "The two finalists have reputations as outstanding educators and are prepared to lead Ripon High School and Lumen Charter High School to even greater success."