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## **TIFT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION NAMES NATALIE A. GORE SUPERINTENDENT FINALIST**



In the regular Board of Education meeting held on December 14, 2023, the Tift County Board of Education named Natalie A. Gore as the sole finalist for Superintendent of Schools.

Natalie Gore began her career in education as a middle school teacher in a western suburb of Chicago, Illinois. Over Mrs. Gore's 25-year career in education, she has worked in K-12 education as well as higher education serving several years as a member of the research faculty conducting educational evaluations and educational policy research at Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana.

Within her K-12 experience, Mrs. Gore's experience includes 10 years as an elementary school administrator in Indiana and Georgia, and ten school years at the district-leadership level. As a district-leader, Mrs. Gore has served in a variety of roles including Assistant Superintendent of Leadership where she supervised and supported the improvement of 14 schools serving over 10,000 students and Assistant Superintendent of Learning and Performance where she was instrumental to building systems, processes and instructional resources that contributed to Henry County School's growth of 11.4 points on the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) in 2019. Most recently, Mrs. Gore has served as Associate Superintendent of Performance and Accountability in Henry County Schools in Georgia and as Chief Strategy, Performance & Accountability Officer in Gwinnett County Public Schools in Georgia.

Mrs. Gore earned a bachelor's degree in English and Secondary Education from The University of Iowa, a Master of Education in Educational Leadership from National-Louis University, a Master of Science in Literacy from Indiana University, and an Educational Specialist degree in English Education from Indiana University.



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She and her husband Martin, also a career educator, enjoy watching college football, working together on home renovation projects, and spending time with their dog, three children, one of whom resides in Tift County, and their granddaughter.

Mrs. Gore is excited to engage with stakeholders to learn about the community's hopes and aspirations for the future of Tift County and to partner with district and school staff to create a vision for the K-12 educational system that aligns with stakeholder's desires for the future of the community.

Mrs. Gore's appointment will become final after a state law mandated 14-day public comment period has passed. The board plans to take official action in late December, and hopes to have the new superintendent in place in mid-January, 2024.

