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Calhoun ISD Superintendent to Retire After Nearly Four Decades of Educational Service

Marshall - On December 11, 2024, Calhoun Intermediate School District (CISD) Superintendent Dr. Terance Lunger announced his intent to retire at the end of the school year to the CISD Board of Education. The CISD Board acknowledged his intent for retirement and expressed appreciation to Dr. Lunger for his leadership and dedication to the students of Calhoun County, Michigan.

Dr. Lunger has served 38 years in education. He began his career as a teacher and administrator at Jonesville Community Schools, then served as Principal at the Western School District and as Superintendent in New Lothrop Area Public Schools and Greenville Public Schools before joining the CISD.

Dr. Lunger is the longest serving CISD Superintendent with 18 years of service. During his tenure at CISD, he expanded the service portfolio including national accreditation of the organization, maintained a culture of service to constituents, provided mentoring and counsel to numerous aspiring superintendents, and became known for his leadership in collaborative partnerships and building organizational systems.

These partnerships span networks with local constituent school districts, the community at large, and across the state. He has served on the Calhoun County Planning Commission as its Chairman, the Board of Summit Pointe currently as its Secretary, the West Michigan Health Insurance Pool (WMHIP) Board of Directors, and as past Campaign Chair of United Way of Battle Creek.

His statewide educational leadership includes service on the MAISA Board of Directors which is the professional organization of Intermediate School Administrators, the Early Childhood Investment Corporation (ECIC) Board of Directors, and the Michigan State Educational Network (MiSEN) Board of Directors. Most notably, Dr. Lunger provided leadership in partnership with the Michigan Department of Education to provide technical assistance to school districts across the state through the CISD's Statewide Field Team.

Lunger holds a Doctorate and two Masters degrees from Eastern Michigan University, a Bachelor's degree from Hillsdale College, and attended Cooley Law School. Dr. Lunger and his wife Marjorie live in Marshall and have two adult daughters, Grace and Anna.

The effective date of Dr. Lunger's retirement will be July 1, 2025, pending a new superintendent selection and transition process. The CISD Board of Education has approved a contract with Michigan Leadership Institute to facilitate a search.

"We are grateful to Dr. Lunger for his leadership of the CISD," said Board of Education President Jeannie Goodrich. "He would often say "relationships matter" and he exemplified that in every way through his educational service to students and collaborative partners."

About Calhoun Intermediate School District (CISD)

CISD is a regional educational service agency that provides early childhood programs and services, professional development, business services, special education, career technical education, and technology services for the twelve school districts in Calhoun County, Michigan. More information is available at www.calhounisd.org.