

Signature Search Process



The HYA Difference

National Reach – Local Focus

Established in 1987, Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates (HYA) is one of the oldest and largest search firms having assisted more than 1,400 school boards select exceptionally talented leadership in school systems across the nation, large and small, urban and rural. HYA's reputation and experience make it one of the preeminent school search firms in the nation and a standard which others often emulate. HYA Associates are located across the country to conveniently serve clients and are thus uniquely qualified to bring local - as well as national - perspectives, knowledge, experience, and connections to each search.

Communication

Communication and organization are critical to successful searches. HYA uses web-based delivery systems that give our clients anytime, anywhere access to all documents regarding the search. Whether through a tablet, smart phone, laptop or desktop computer, the Board and the search Associates have confidential access to all information associated with the search in an organized, transparent, and timely manner.

Executive Oversight

Every HYA search has executive oversight by the HYA President and a project manager to ensure all details are carefully managed. HYA has professionally staffed offices, a technological infrastructure, and a staff of full-time employees. Our tech team serves as a resource to school districts for linking the online community survey and other search materials to their website. These resources make HYA capable of responding to requests in a very timely fashion.

Research Based

HYA has over 30 years of experience supporting school districts in improving student outcomes. HYA's community engagement process employ research-based approaches to identifying the goals, needs, and priorities of the school system along with the desired characteristics of its next leader. The Engage Phase was developed based on research on effective leadership. The resulting Community and Leadership Profile Report provides information on the current state of the District, essential information the Board will use in the selection process and the new leader can use day one of employment. Furthermore, by blending consulting, professional service, and technology, HYA offers transition services and an analytics infrastructure to help the Board and their new leader better understand the interrelationships among school functions, and the impact of decisions and expenditures on student outcomes.



More Than a Background Check - Executive Due Diligence

HYA offers comprehensive and expanded background checks completed by independent third-party investigators and includes an executive summary allowing for an analysis of findings, not simply dozens of articles and documents for Board members to read. The investigative procedures are comprehensive and thorough with a focus on the public school landscape - well beyond what constituents could produce through a simple internet search. This includes on-site research of primary source documents at relevant county court houses for civil and criminal record history. Additionally news and social media investigations provide a better understanding of a candidate's leadership style, public relations skills, and reputation.

HYA Signature Search Process ASSOCIATE RESPONSIBILITIES BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES · Administer Community Select Search Firm Engagement Survey (if ENGAGE PHASE 3-4 WEEKS selected) Planning Interview Board, Staff, Meeting with the Approve Selection Criteria Community Representatives Board Approve Ad Content and Make Develop Leadership Profile Decisions about Advertising and Selection Criteria • Make Decisions Regarding Community Engagement Make Decisions about Prepare Search Publicity and Background Checks Publish Vacancy Notices • Recruit Candidates Utilizing State and National Networks RECRUIT PHASE 6-8 WEEKS Optional Workshop-• Receive and Process Applications Board Governance • Correspond with Candidates • Contact Recommended Candidates • Interview Selected Candidates Submit Questions to be • Conduct Reference Checks Asked at Initial Interviews • Identify Best-Qualified Candidates • Prepare Application Materials to be Shared with the Board • Conduct Board Seminar Conduct Initial Interviews Re: Interview Procedures • Narrow Slate (Semifinalists) SELECT PHASE Facilitate Board Discussion to Present Slate of Semifinalists to **3-4 WEEKS** Hold Follow-up Interviews with Narrow Candidate Pool After Board Finalists Each Round of Interviews Select Preferred Candidates • Conduct Professional Due Diligence Background Report Conduct Site Visit (if desired) Assist Board with Site Visit Planning Negotiate Contract Assist with Contract Preparation, as Desired by the Board Announce Appointment Send Letters of Regret TRANSITION PHASE Optional Transition Services Associate/Superintendent/Board Transition Planning • Board Goal Setting & Leadership Transition Meeting Superintendent Evaluation Strategic Planning • Governance Dashboards Leader Assumes Position



The Four Phases of HYA's Signature Search

The process outlined represents a prototypical search. Upon selection, the Associates will meet with the Board to discuss this process and modify it to meet the Board's unique needs. The following is a description of each phase in the search



The Engage phase consists of designing and planning a process of engaging the Board and stakeholders through interviews, online surveys (available in world languages), and focus groups. Information from these interactions assists the Board in developing a leadership profile and selection criteria that match the priorities of the community and that meet the unique needs of the local district. This disciplined, inclusive and research-based approach ensures all stakeholders have the opportunity to be a part of the search process and provides valuable feedback about the school district based on HYA's local research and professional understanding of the district's standing in the broader marketplace. Survey options are detailed on page 7 of this brochure.





The Recruit phase consists of leveraging HYA's extensive national network of Associates and incorporating advertising strategies (as selected and paid for by the Board pursuant to pages 8 and 9 of this brochure) that results in the identification and recruitment of exceptionally talented leaders. HYA can also recruit non-traditional candidates, i.e. executives that have worked in business, military, private or public sector. HYA works in close partnership with state and national organizations with numerous Associates serving on those Boards.



The Select phase consists of providing the Board with a slate of candidates that were interviewed by HYA Associates using the Leadership Profile established by the Board. HYA's Associates are committed to spending the necessary time and energy on the details to find the right candidates to bring to the Board. The search team then facilitates the Board interviews and appointment process including reviewing candidates' references. HYA's ability to gain important background information regarding candidates - beyond what appears on an individual's resume - is a unique and distinguishing characteristic of HYA, and is attributable to the integrity of the firm, Associates, and the vast networks of professional relationships built through years in the education field. A workshop on interviewing and construction of interview questions is facilitated by the Associates for the Board. Executive due diligence including formal background and media checks complete the Select phase (as selected and paid for by the Board pursuant to page 10 of this brochure).



The Transition phase consists of assisting the Board and new Superintendent to assure a successful transition. Appointing a new leader is the first step toward accomplishing organizational and student goals for success. Included in the search fee is a transition meeting with the new Superintendent and representative(s) of the Board regarding the information learned throughout the search process, in particular, the Community and Leadership Profile Survey. Additional transition services are available (as selected and paid for by the Board pursuant to page 11 of this brochure).

The Search Team

Presently, HYA is represented by Associates across the United States who assist with the firm's mission to provide proactive, thorough and quality assistance to School Boards in need of identifying and recruiting highly qualified executives for superintendencies and other administrative positions. HYA Associates bring extensive executive search experience and broad educational backgrounds to its practice. Through continuing involvement in school and university work, HYA Associates are aware of current educational issues and have strong relationships with educational leaders and opinion-makers in administrative leadership and management. HYA is committed to engaging a diverse and gender balanced cadre of Associates. Among HYA Associates are members of NABSE (National Alliance of Black School Educations) and ALAS (Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents).

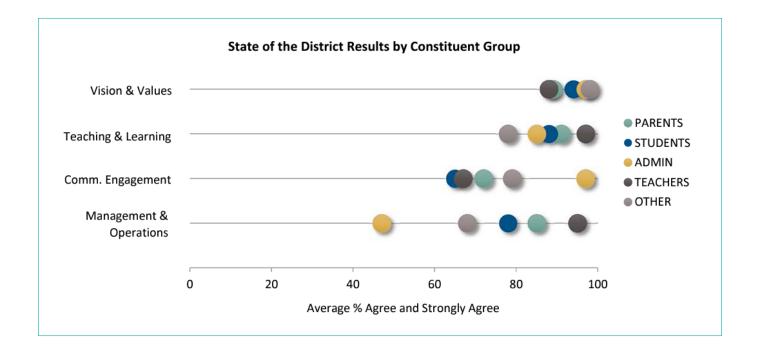
HYA assigns an individual management team to each executive search that it conducts. Associates assume direct responsibility for the search and coordinate the activities of all individuals engaged in the project. In addition to the Associates assigned to the search, all nation-wide Associates in the firm are tasked with identifying prospective candidates.

HYA has professionally staffed offices, a technological infrastructure and a full-time employed staff; thus, HYA is capable to respond to any request the Board may have on the Board's time schedule. Finally, each search has executive oversight by the HYA President and project manager to ensure no detail is overlooked. HYA's office staff, which is highly knowledgeable and pleased to assist at any time, is available to the Board from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. CST, Monday through Friday.

HYA believes that communication and organization are critical to successful searches. Our delivery systems give the Board anytime, anywhere access to all documents regarding the search. The Board and its Associates can have confidential access to all information associated with the search in a cloud based, organized and timely manner.

Community and Leadership Profile Survey

HYA's online survey employs a research-based approach to identifying the goals, needs, and priorities of the school system along with the desired characteristics of its next leader. The survey was developed based on research on effective leadership. There is a lot of science involved in crafting a good survey questionnaire. HYA uses a multi-stage process to design, measure change over time, and report survey findings. The Community and Leadership Profile Report is a sophisticated executive report to publish for your community. Survey responses are summarized by area, constituent group, and disaggregated at the question level.



Pricing: \$2000 (this survey fee is included in the base price of your proposal)
\$415 per language (cost per additional language, English and Spanish included in base fee)
\$1000 for customization - up to 3 open-ended questions and up to 10 forced-choice questions

Advertising Services

HYA Associates work with their clients to consider the many approaches to advertising vacant position(s). The HYA staff creates and coordinates all advertisements at the Board's direction. HYA advertising packages ensure exposure in the most frequently read print, e-publication journals, and job boards of education leaders across the country. In addition, HYA offers more focused advertisement packages for the Board to consider as add-ons to the National packages, including state and region-specific options.

All HYA search clients are advertised on the HYA Active Searches webpage and social media accounts - Facebook, Linkedin and Twitter. The HYA Active Searches webpage averages 25,000 views per month and is a clickable list that leads its viewers to a separate page fully dedicated to your search.

Package 1 - \$2,150

One listing in the HYA group ad in Ed Week's print publication

Online listing on AASA for 30 days with Online Spotlight, Preferred, and Featured upgrades

Package 2 - \$3,400

Two HYA group ads in Ed Week's print publication

Online listing on EdWeek's TopSchoolJobs for 30 days & Showcased on the homepages for EdWeek and TopSchoolJobs for 7 days

Online listing on AASA for 30 days with Online Spotlight, Preferred, and Featured upgrades

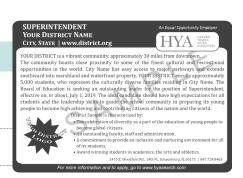
Package 3 - \$6,650

Listing in the HYA group ads in Ed Week's print publication for the length of the search

Dedicated District specific ad in Ed Week's print publication

Online listing on EdWeek's TopSchoolJobs for 30 days & Showcased on the homepages for EdWeek and TopSchoolJobs for 7 days

Online listing on AASA for 30 days with Online Spotlight, Preferred, and Featured upgrades



Options to Complement the Advertising Packages

(Choose as many as desired.)

Group Ad - \$620

Single listing in HYA's monthly group ad in Education Week (print publication).

ALAS & NABSE - \$520

Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS) for 6 weeks online, push on ALAS apps

National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) for 30 days

Custom

Quoted price is based on number of Associations and frequency of ads to place

Regional Packages

(Regional packages give your vacancy additional exposure in a specific geographic region. National Advertising, as detailed in packages 1, 2, and 3, should still be considered.)

California - \$1,050

2 advertisements in the ACSA (Association of California School Administrators) EdCal CareerConnect print and 7 days online

CALSA (California Association of Latino Superintendents and Administrators) online advertisement for 30 days

Northeast - \$1,050

NJASA (New Jersey Association of School Administrators)

NYSCOSS (New York State Council of School Superintendents) online and newsletter

CAPSS (Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents)



Executive Due Diligence

HYA offers executive due diligence as part of the search process that are completed by independent third-party investigators. The investigative procedures are comprehensive and thorough with a focus on the public school landscape - well beyond what constituents will produce through a simple internet search. This includes on-site research of primary source documents at relevant county court houses for criminal record history. Each background search requires 7-10 working days to complete.

Two packages are offered. The Comprehensive Package includes a news and social media analysis. The news media investigation provides a better understanding of a candidate's leadership style, public relations skills and priorities. The news media investigation draws upon over 28,000 specialized publications and 900 newswires in 200 countries and includes 30 years of credible archived information. Special focus is given to publications in communities where the candidate has lived or worked. The social media review includes a review of text and images on sites such as Twitter, LinkedIn, personal blogs and industry websites. The analysis provides a summary of candidate generated activity with highlights of negative alerts.

The Basic package was designed in response to requests for a simpler cabinet or principal position background check; it does not include the news and social media analysis.

	Comprehensive \$1950	Basic \$1100
Personal Profile Summary	X	х
Social Security Trace	х	Х
County Criminal Record History	X	х
Federal Criminal Record History	х	Х
County Civil Record History	X	Х
Department of Motor Vehicles License Information	х	Х
Education (Degree) Verification	х	Х
Credit Report	х	Х
Investigation of all Aliases Identified within Past 7 Years	X	х
Investigation of all Jurisdictions of Residence, Education, and Employment within Past 7 Years	х	x
University and Academic Program Accreditation	x	х
National Criminal Record History	х	х
National Sex Offender Search	х	х
News Media Review	х	
Social Media Review	х	

HYA Transition Services

HYA offers optional transition services that would benefit the Board and Superintendent. Our website contains even more information, including white papers, brochures and videos about HYA's Transition services: https://hyasearch.com/executive-search/transition/

Community Engagement & Surveys

Measurement and feedback are critical components of a quality improvement framework. Including stakeholders' voices in improvement and innovation plans ensures there is a balanced and expanded set of metrics for governance and leadership – beyond student outcomes. Focus Groups and Town Hall Meetings (whether in person or virtual) can be facilitated by the HYA team to ensure school leadership hear and learn from stakeholders' collective wisdom. Priced based on number of events.

Measuring stakeholder satisfaction through surveys help identify problems that might otherwise go unnoticed by organizational leadership, improve public trust in school systems, increase support for future programming and initiatives, and improve the overall climate and culture of the school system. Choose from our current survey instruments with the ability to customize questions. A full executive report with visual representations of the data and appendices are provided. \$5,000 additional \$1,000 for customization. Professionally translated world languages available at \$415/language.

Board Governance Workshop

The Board Governance Workshop requires a half day and provides the Board the opportunity to clarify the respective roles of the Board and the Superintendent. The workshop addresses the concepts of trusteeship, governance, management, continuous improvement, and systematic change. Developing and maintaining effective Board-Superintendent relations, the need for long and short range planning, consensus decision-making, and other components of successful Board service are also discussed at this workshop. \$2,500, includes all preparation and material.

Board Goal Setting & Superintendent Evaluation

To develop and maintain effective Board-Superintendent relations and provide the Board with an opportunity to determine what it desires to have the Superintendent achieve during in the position, goals and the evaluation process must be codified and understood with great clarity. The evaluation process should reinforce the concept of continuous improvement and should monitor the achievement of the Board's goals. Processes and instruments for performance evaluation will be provided. \$5,000 (2 sessions: 1. goal setting for superintendent, 2. facilitation/review of superintendent evaluation).

Strategic Planning

Improving student outcomes begins with a clear and compelling vision for student success. When a new leader is appointed, a clear and concise strategic plan helps guide decisions and ensures energy is directed toward advancing the priorities of the community as directed by the Board. A disciplined strategic planning process allows school systems to engage stakeholders, build a consensus around what matters, and channel resources accordingly in order to ensure a maximum return on investments. A disciplined strategic planning process provides clarity of purpose as well as a structure to align the organization, its structures, and its policies.. Quoted based on agreed upon scope.

Executive Coaching

The mentoring relationship will be designed with the HYA Associate and the new Superintendent with input from the Board. There is a focus on monitoring progress towards attainment of Board goals and facilitation of the Superintendent's first year evaluation. A coach provides a neutral third party sounding board with personal experience and understanding of the demands of the position. A coach, unlike employees or family members, isn't a dependent or subordinate, but rather a person capable of giving honest feedback to help the leader achieve their goals and the goals of the organization. \$10,000/school vear.

Governance Dashboards

Governance dashboards help to facilitate, launch, and govern implementation of the district's strategic plan and give meaningful data for the Board to evaluate the impact and return on investment that strategic goals are having on student achievement, financial, and other system outcomes. The strategic dashboard provides a framework for the Board and Superintendent to communicate the priorities and progress of the school system to the community. This service is a continued service from year to year. *Included with Strategic Planning*.

Comprehensive First Year Support

This service includes the Board Governance Workshop, Executive Coaching, and Board Goal Setting & Superintendent Evaluation services. The mentoring relationship will be designed with the HYA Associate and the new Superintendent with input from the Board. There is a focus on monitoring progress towards attainment of Board goals and facilitation of the Superintendent's first year evaluation. \$15,000/school year.

HYA looks forward to the possibility of working with the Board and assisting with the selection of a new leader. Please contact HYA at 847.250.7261 or at hya@hyasearch.com with questions or requests for additional information.

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