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## Alexandria Central Community,

As you know, Mr. Christopher Clapper, Superintendent of Alexandria Central School District, announced his resignation last month. The Board of Education solely, is tasked and has the responsibility to seek a new Superintendent. There are only two ways a Board of Education can pursue this candidate:

- 1. The Board of Education can hire within, without a search process. This requires an interview and a vote of confidence and then public appointment at a regular Board of Education meeting.
- 2. The Board of Education can initiate a Superintendent search through BOCES. This is done through Stephen Todd, the District Superintendent of the Jefferson-Lewis BOCES. He screens candidates, sets up the interviews, and oversees the process in conjunction with the Board of Education.

The ACS BOE, upon careful discussion and consideration, decided to proceed with the first option; hiring from within. After a thorough interview, a review of credentials, consideration of 20 written recommendations of faculty and staff, and a three year term of observation of High School Building Administrator, the Board of Education is confidently and proudly recommending Mr. Robert Fountain as the next Superintendent of the ACS District.

On Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, there will be a "Meet the Candidates" presentation for the Board of Education nominees at 6:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. Immediately following there will be a Question and Answer Forum for the community and Mr. Fountain. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

The Board of Education will vote to appoint Mr. Fountain following a contract agreement.

Sincerely,

The Alexandria Central School Board of Education