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COUNTIES WILLING TO SERVE: Camden, Burlington, Gloucester

TYPE OF DISTRICT: K-8, K-12, Regional

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Dr. Scott Oswald served as Superintendent of the Collingswood Public Schools for 14 years, the last nine of which he served as shared superintendent with the Oaklyn Public Schools. Throughout his 30+ years in public education prior to assuming the position of superintendent, Dr. Oswald served as a middle and high school mathematics and computer science teacher, a high school assistant principal for academic affairs, a high school principal, and an assistant superintendent. Dr. Oswald believes deeply that education is a relational profession and only through building strong professional relationships with staff and students can a school leader ever hope to build professional capacity in the quest to achieve maximum results.

Dr. Oswald earned a doctorate in educational leadership and has extensive experience in curriculum, instruction, and assessment, professional learning, teacher and leader evaluation, strategic planning, and systems thinking. Dr. Oswald believes that the human resources element of his position – both hiring new staff members and developing existing staff members – is the most important role of a school leader.

Throughout his career, Dr. Oswald focused on issues of equity - analyzing and disrupting systems that served as barriers to achievement for students from traditionally underserved populations. Since stepping down as Superintendent, Dr. Oswald has taught in the graduate school leadership program and undergraduate teaching program at Rowan and Stockton Universities. Dr. Oswald has also worked with the Rowan Partnership for Education, Equity, and Research (PEER) to provide training to school leaders and district equity councils.