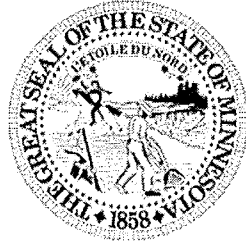


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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Sara Pratt

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed you to the office of:

Special Education Director Member Board of The Minnesota State Academies

Effective: September 6, 2023

Expires: January 4, 2027

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed September 1, 2023.



Handwritten signature of Tim Walz in black ink.

Tim Walz
Governor

Handwritten signature of Steve Simon in black ink.

Steve Simon
Secretary of State

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Steve Simon

Replacing: Nicole Halabi

Part I: Position Sought

Agency Name: Board Of The Minnesota State Academies
Position: Special Education Director Member

Part II: Applicant Information

Name: Sara Pratt
Phone:
County: Rice
Min House District: No Answer
Sen House District: No Answer
Recommended by the Appointing Authority: False

Part III: Appending Documentation

Cover Letter and Resume

Type	File Type
Resume	application/pdf

Additional Documents (.doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt)

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No additional documents found.	
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Part V: Signature

Signature: Sara Pratt
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Leadership Profile

An experienced and collaborative leader who builds strong relationships, demonstrates sound judgment, is able to make tough decisions, believes all students can achieve at high levels, and is committed to and passionate about empowering and growing educators at every level. Proven ability to lead through change, communicate effectively, interpret legal requirements, and support implementation of effective educational programming to meet the needs of all students.

Leadership is not a position or a title, it is action and example.

— Donald McGannon

Professional Strengths

- Special education finance and due process
- Dispute resolution and parent communication
- Data driven instructional practices
- Exceptional interpersonal skills
- Communication and collaboration
- Staff leadership and development
- Recruitment and hiring
- Complex problem solving
- Instructional leadership
- Policy and process development

Leadership Experience

DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL SERVICES Northfield Public Schools; Northfield, MN		2023 - present
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL SERVICES Northfield Public Schools; Northfield, MN		2017 - 2023
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION Intermediate School District 917; Rosemount, MN		2015 - 2017
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL SERVICES Farmington Area Public Schools; Farmington, MN		2011 - 2015
SUPERVISOR SPECIAL SERVICES South Washington County Schools; Cottage Grove, MN		2009-2011

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Education and Certification

K-12 PRINCIPAL LICENSE University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	2017
DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION LICENSE University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	2009
MASTER OF ARTS, COMMUNICATION DISORDERS AND SCIENCES Wichita State University, Wichita, KS	1992
BACHELOR OF ARTS, COMMUNICATION DISORDERS AND SCIENCES University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA	1990
MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LICENSURE <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Professional Administration<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Director of Special Education○ Principal K-12● Speech Language Pathologist	File Folder 342987

Professional Organization Memberships and Activities

MINNESOTA ADMINISTRATORS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION (MASE) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● 2009 - present● Member, Professional Development Committee● Member, Nominations Committee● Presentor, MASE Best Practices State Conference 2022
COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATORS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION <ul style="list-style-type: none">● 2021 - present
COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN <ul style="list-style-type: none">● 2021 - present
FACILITATOR, REGION 10 LEADERS COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE <ul style="list-style-type: none">● 2017 - present

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