

# Media Advisory

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## Rural Advisory Council to meet Monday in Stratford

MADISON — State Superintendent Tony Evers will welcome new members of his Advisory Council on Rural Schools, Libraries, and Communities when the group meets Monday in the Library Media Center at Stratford High School.

Sixteen new members are joining the council for the first meeting of the 2015-16 school year. Stratford District Administrator Scott Winch will join Evers in welcoming the council at 9 a.m. Following member introductions, there will be a presentation on the 2015-17 budget with specific information on changes in licensure, the new civics assessment, whole-grade sharing, course options, and academic and career plans. Following a discussion on council priorities, the Stratford High School Music Department will present a showcase of musical performances. The 12:15 p.m. performances will be under the direction of John Rickinger, band director, and Elizabeth Dahlby, choral director. At 12:45 p.m. there will be a high school presentation and tour. The council will hear about “Vouchers and Charters in the Rural Environment” at 1:30 p.m. The council will adjourn at 2 p.m.

A list of members for the State Superintendent’s Advisory Council on Rural Schools, Libraries, and Communities follows.

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**WHO:** State Superintendent Tony Evers  
Advisory Council on Rural Schools, Libraries, and Communities

**WHAT:** Advisory Council Meeting

**WHEN:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday, October 19, 2015

**WHERE:** Stratford High School LMC  
522 North Third Avenue, Stratford, WI 54484

## State Superintendent's Advisory Council on Rural Schools, Libraries, and Communities

Jacqui Davison, Hillsboro  
Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation

Joel Nilsestuen, Executive Director  
Wisconsin Workforce Development Association

\* Connie Erickson, Turtle Lake  
Cooperative Educational Services Agency 11

\* Debra Pickett, Owner  
Southwest Graphics, Darlington

Paul Fischer, Superintendent  
Alma Center-Humbird-Merrillan School District

Julie Prouty, Director of Special Education  
Cooperative Educational Services Agency 3, Fennimore

\* Mari Freiberg, CEO  
Scenic Bluffs Community Health Centers, Cashton

Michael Racette, Prairie Farm  
Wisconsin Farmers Union

\* Senator Sheila Harsdorf  
R-River Falls

Terry Reynolds, Superintendent  
Tomahawk School District

Bob Hermanson, Director  
Darlington Community School Board

\* Richard Rolfsmeyer, Treasurer  
Wisconsin Rural Partners Inc., Hollandale

Debbie Ince-Peterson, President  
Unity School Board, Balsam Lake

Steve Sedlmayr, Superintendent  
Alma Area School District

Brian Jackson, Lac du Flambeau, President  
Wisconsin Indian Education Association

Diana Skalitzky, Director  
Marshall Community Library

\* Peggy Jones, Elementary Principal  
Bonduel School District

Sue Tinker, Monroe, Special Education Teacher  
Albany Middle School

Kim Kaukl, Plain, Executive Director  
Wisconsin Rural Schools Alliance

Ann Westrich, Education Director  
Wisconsin Technical College System

Karl Martin, Director  
Community, Natural Resource & Economic  
Development, UW Extension

\* Dr. Frederick Yeo, Dean  
College of Education & Services  
University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

\* Barbara Munson, Mosinee, Member  
Wisconsin Arts Board

Larry Zeman, Principal  
Chetek-Weyerhaeuser High School & Middle School

\* Term extended