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## Belton School District Superintendent Honored By School Administrators Association

Andrew Underwood, Superintendent of the Belton School District, was among eight Missouri superintendents nominated this year for the prestigious Robert L. Pearce Award which is presented annually by the Missouri Association of School Administrators (MASA).

Underwood was nominated for the honor by his colleagues in the Greater Kansas City MASA District. The Pearce award program is a long-standing tradition of the association honoring excellence in education and community leadership among Missouri superintendents. He was to be honored as a nominee during the awards banquet at the MASA Spring Conference on March 25th at The Lodge of Four Seasons at Lake Ozark, Missouri; however, the event was canceled due to the COVID-19 crisis.

This annual award was instituted in 1987 by Richard and David Pearce, then principals of the Pearce Corporation, a Missouri architectural firm specializing in educational facility planning. The awards purpose is to recognize the hard work and dedication of superintendents and their contributions to the children of Missouri.

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