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Peggy Hinckley, 59 Superintendent, Metropolitan School District of Warren Township

Dr. Peggy Hinckley earned her bachelor's degree in elementary education from Indiana University and her master's degree in elementary education from Purdue University Calumet. She holds a specialist degree in education administration from Indiana State

University and a doctorate in leadership and policy studies from Loyola University of Chicago.

In all, Hinckley has been in education for 37 years, 27 of which have been as a superintendent. She previously served as superintendent of LaPorte and River Forest school districts and as an administrator and teacher in River Forest.

Hinckley has led the MSD of Warren Township since 2001. She has led the district's efforts to close the achievement gap and in implementing the "8-step process," restructuring school time schedules to allow for increased time for remediation, maintenance and enrichment; and resolving budget issues. The district received the 2005 Magna Award Citation from the American School Board Journal for its accomplishments in closing the achievement gap. The school board was featured in the National School Boards Association publication, "The Key Work of School Boards."

Hinckley has received a number of awards, including Sen. Richard Lugar's Education Patriot Award, 2010; Voyager Founders Award, 2009; Outstanding Educator Award, 1998; and Superintendent of the Year, 1995, from the Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents.

From Indiana, Hinckley is married and has one daughter. She enjoys scrapbooking, traveling, walking, reading and visiting with family and friends.