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Joshua Schultz Appointed Napa County Superintendent of Schools

(NAPA, Calif-July 8, 2025) –The Napa County Board of Education (NCBOE) has appointed Joshua Schultz, the current Napa County Office of Education (NCOE) Deputy Superintendent/Chief Business Official, as the new Napa County Superintendent of Schools. The Board appointed Schultz tonight at the regularly scheduled meeting. Schultz will begin his new assignment as superintendent as of August 1, 2025.

Following his appointment Schultz said, “I have been privileged to help build and foster NCOE’s culture and values. I believe it is incumbent upon me as the next county superintendent to continue to sustain that culture with integrity and care, and to model the values of the organization within our programs and our community.”

As a member of NCOE’s senior leadership for the past seventeen years, and with a career spanning more than 30 years in education, Schultz has been committed to providing exceptional services and support to students, families, staff, districts and the community. Schultz began his career as a Social Science teacher with the St. Helena Unified School District, and has served in numerous management roles including Director of the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at Sonoma State University, and Director of Development and Compliance at NCOE.

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Barbara Nemko, Ph.D., Superintendent

In his current position as Deputy Superintendent/Chief Business Official, Schultz has overall responsibility of NCOE's programs and operations, with direct supervision of business services functions. In addition, he manages NCOE's fiscal oversight of the five Napa County School Districts in collaboration with district leaders. He is recognized across the state as a trusted leader in public school operations and Local Control Accountability Plans. At NCOE, he led major initiatives such as building the new Camille Creek Community School campus, installation of solar generation facilities and the development of the new Napa Early Learning Center.

Schultz earned a Master of Business Administration from the University of San Francisco, and a bachelor's degree in Humanities from the University of California, Berkeley. Schultz also received his Single Subject Social Studies Teaching Credential from Dominican College, holds an Administrative Services credential, and he is a graduate of Leadership Napa Valley.

Schultz has engaged in leadership and community engagement across the state. He served as Chair of the California County Superintendents Association Business and Administration Steering Committee, was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown to serve on the Local Control Funding Formula Dashboard Design Committee, and served as Board Chair for Goodwill Industries of the Redwood Empire.

Janna Waldinger, NCBOE President, expressed the Board's support for Schultz. "We are fortunate to have such an experienced and knowledgeable candidate within our organization. With his years of expert experience managing the finances of NCOE he brings unique insight into our fiscal well-being and oversight of each of our programs and directors. We know that with Josh at the helm, NCOE will build upon the strengths of our administrators, teachers, staff, and community partners to lead us to even greater success for students."

"I am extremely pleased that Josh Schultz has been selected as my successor as the Napa County Superintendent of Schools," said retiring Superintendent Dr. Barbara Nemko. "He is trusted by the education community both in Napa County and across the state. He approaches his work with student-centered values and is a proven leader. He knows, understands, and has greatly contributed to our organization's positive culture and initiatives. We will be working together on a seamless transition."

Schultz and his wife Jane have three adult children, as well as an adored grandson with another on the way. Schultz is an accomplished guitarist, and is dedicated to his daily morning swims at Napa's In-Shape gym and backpacking trips around the globe.