

State Superintendent Dickson Visits Kane District

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Sydnee Dickson was in Kane School District on October 27, visiting schools and meeting with educators. Superintendent Dickson has made several visits across the state as part of a “Listening Tour” to improve open discussion about public education. Recently, Dr. Dickson concluded visits to Cache, Uinta, and Washington County School Districts. State Superintendent Dickson began her district visit by meeting with members of the Kane County School Board, visited multiple schools, and then concluded with an after school meeting with local teachers to discuss current educational concerns and issues facing public education. Superintendent Dickson said, “ I knew there was something special about Kane when I looked at your student achievement data and saw the upward trajectory that surpasses state data,” which she attributes to the following elements:

- “Outstanding school leadership focused on teacher and student improvement. It was clear that the teachers respect their administrators and that you are all working together on behalf of students.
- A focus on ELA and mathematics is key to providing a successful future for students while expecting effective instruction in all subjects.
- Unique opportunities for engagement in performing arts with unique offerings like ukulele, guitar, and bagpipes.
- Physical facilities that are designed with students in mind with state of the art music, PE, and technology offerings.

I congratulate you and your school leaders for encouraging teachers to be the facilitator of learning and leadership in their classrooms while using technology as a tool. The unique challenges of Big Water and Lake Powell have been mitigated through the use of technology and dedicated educators...Great things are happening in Kane School District; a place for the rest of the state to be watching and learning from. Congratulations to you, your educators, and students, as you continue to work towards your goal of ensuring each student is prepared for their future.”

Kane School District appreciates the time Superintendent Dickson took out of her busy schedule to visit our schools, students, teachers and communities. It was a wonderful opportunity for our district to have Superintendent Dickson in our schools.

Ben Dalton
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