



CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR SEARCH

About Green Hills AEA

Green Hills AEA is one of nine Iowa AEAs that were established by the Iowa Legislature in 1974 to be an effective, efficient and economical means of identifying and serving children, birth to age 21. The decision was the result of a federal law mandating a free, appropriate, public education for children with disabilities. All AEAs work to ensure that every child receives a free, appropriate, quality education.

Green Hills AEA works with families and providers together to identify and address specific family concerns and priorities, as they relate to the child's overall growth and development. In addition, broader family needs and concerns can be addressed by locating other supportive/resources services in the local community for the family and/or child. All services to the child are provided in the child's natural environment including the home and other community settings where the children of the same age without disabilities participate.

Green Hills AEA employs approximately 276 employees who serve a 17 county area of 43 public schools and six accredited non-public school districts comprising of approximately 38,000 students and 4,490 educators.

The districts and schools served by Green Hills AEA include the following: AHSTW, Atlantic, Bedford, Boyer Valley, CAM, Central Decatur, Children's Square U.S.A., Clarinda Academy, Clarinda, Clarinda Lutheran, Clarke, Corning (Southwest Valley), Council Bluffs, Creston, Diagonal, East Mills, East Union, Essex, Fremont-Mills, Glenwood, Griswold, Hamburg, Harlan, Heartland Christian, Heartland Family Service Therapeutic Schools, IKM-Manning, Iowa School for the Deaf, Lamoni, Lenox, Lewis Central, Logan-Magnolia, Missouri Valley, Mormon Trail, Mount Ayr, Murray, Nodaway Valley, Orient-Macksburg, Red Oak, Riverside, Saint Albert Catholic, Shelby County Catholic, Shenandoah, Sidney, South Page, St. Malachy, Stanton, Sterling West, Treynor, Tri-Center, Underwood, Villisca (Southwest Valley), West Harrison, and Woodbine.

Mission Statement

GHAEA will collaboratively advocate for families, communities and schools to help them achieve their goals by providing dedicated professional consultation and quality system-wide support.

AEA Funding

Area Education Agencies have no taxing authority and are funded through a combination of local property taxes, which flow from school districts; direct state aid; federal dollars; various grants; and sales of services. A nine-member Board of Directors is elected by local school boards to govern budget decisions. The Board sets the policy and ensures that all programs and services are implemented in a manner consistent with those policies and the approved budget of the Agency.

Our Community

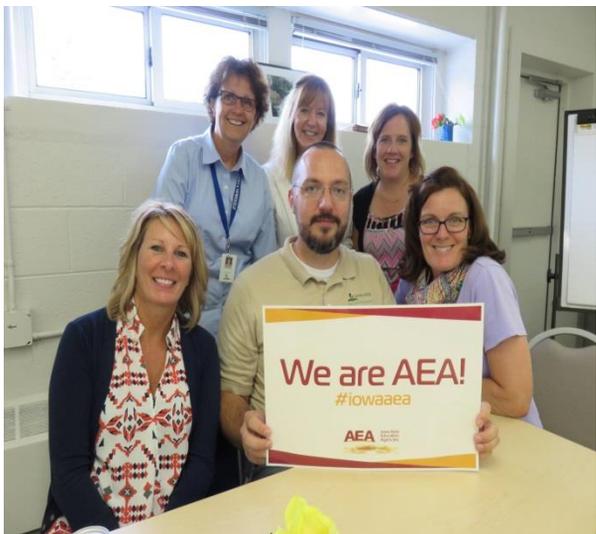
Green Hills AEA's geographic area covers the southwest/southcentral portion of Iowa. The main office is located near the Council Bluffs/Omaha metropolitan area. Regional offices are nestled among the hills and valleys in the communities of Atlantic, Avoca, Council Bluffs, Creston, Glenwood, Missouri Valley, Osceola and Red Oak.

Both recreational and cultural enthusiasts will find an abundance of year-round activities. While residents enjoy the quiet countryside, it is only a short drive to the metropolitan areas of Omaha, Nebraska; Kansas City, Missouri; and Des Moines, Iowa, if you want to experience the excitement of city life.

Apply online by November 24, 2017

Green Hills AEA Seeks a Chief Administrator Who:

- Has leadership skills to respond to challenges in districts with varying enrollments.
- Inspires trust, self-confidence, and models high standards.
- Has strong inter-personal and communication skills.
- Is able to build a consensus and commitment among individuals and groups.
- Is capable of providing leadership to help the agency respond to challenges.
- Is strongly committed to a “student first” philosophy in all decisions.
- Develops and maintains a mutually beneficial relationship with other organizations and school districts, benefitting the needs of the students and school districts.
- Is able to work with legislators on key topics and can lead an organization throughout the legislative process.
- Is willing to listen to input, but is a decision maker.
- Has demonstrated strong leadership skills in previous positions.
- Has experience in management of agency resources and sound fiscal procedures.



Salary and Benefits:

The salary will be in the range of \$235,000 plus an excellent comprehensive benefits package. The final salary for the successful candidate will be negotiated and determined based upon proven experience, qualifications and meeting Board criteria.

Requirements:

In addition to administrative experience, the candidate must have, or be qualified to obtain, certification as an AEA Chief Administrator/Superintendent in Iowa. Inquiries concerning certification should be directed to the Iowa Board of Educational Examiners at www.boee.iowa.gov or call: 515-281-3245.

Deadline and Selection:

All materials submitted as part of the Chief Administrator application will remain confidential to the extent allowed by law, which includes Board review in a closed session of the Board of Directors. After all applications have been reviewed and preliminary interviews conducted by the consulting firm, the names of the top candidates will be presented to the Board of Directors for Green Hills AEA for its consideration. Selection of candidates for final interviews is the sole responsibility of the Board. Board members may elect to visit the communities of finalists for the position of Chief Administrator.

Persons wishing to be considered for the position should submit an application file online including:

- A letter of application stating personal qualifications, experiences and reasons for interest in the position.
- The online application form and a current resume.
- Four current letters of recommendation.

Apply online at:

www.rayassoc.com

Questions should be directed to:

Ray & Associates, Inc.

4403 First Avenue SE, Suite 407

Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Phone: 319-393-3115

Fax: 319-393-4931

glr@rayassoc.com

Please do not contact the Board or Agency directly.

Deadline to Apply: November 24, 2017