

## Superintendent's Message - September 2015

It has been a little more than 18 months since I first found out about the Minidoka School District. Last spring I came and interviewed and was then hired to serve this community as your superintendent of schools. I have really enjoyed my time so far. I get to work with great people every day. It has been very busy, but I feel we accomplished a lot last year and I am excited about all that is being planned for this coming year.

The children in this district have a lot going for them: extensive technology, clean and safe buildings, and an entire fleet of school busses to get them to and from school safely. But most of all they have nearly 250 dedicated teachers who are there to help them learn. In addition, there are more than 250 support staff who make our district operate so well. Together we are striving to make your child's education our top priority.

This past spring the school board gathered input from patrons and staff and as a result of the information they gathered they have asked us to focus on **'Communications and Supporting Student Success'** this year. We have already implemented changes to make improvements in both of these areas. In an effort to keep you better informed I will be updating my message throughout the year as well as writing articles for the local news media.

I want you to know that I want to hear from you. You can email me a message through the 'Ask the Superintendent...' link in the upper left of our website homepage or email me directly at [atkcox@minidokaschools.org](mailto:atkcox@minidokaschools.org). I am also available by phone or you can stop by the office.