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**Lori Volz Named New Director of Finance and Operations**

Owatonna Public Schools is pleased to announce that Lori Volz has been selected as the director of finance and operations for the district.

"We are excited to welcome Ms. Volz to the district. Her extensive background and leadership in school finance will be a tremendous asset to our schools," stated Jeff Elstad, superintendent of Owatonna Public Schools.

Volz brings a wealth of professional experience in school finance. While her most recent position was director - municipal advisor at Baker Tilly, an advisory, tax and assurance firm, she previously served as executive director of finance and operations at Austin Public Schools and Albert Lea Public Schools and business manager at Blue Earth Area Public Schools.

She is a previous winner of the School Business Official of the Year Award by the Minnesota Association of School Business Officials and the Pinnacle Award winner from the Association of School Business Officials International.

Ms. Volz stated, "I look forward to returning to school finance and continuing Owatonna Public Schools' long history of balanced budgets and strong fiscal responsibility to the public."

Ms. Volz will begin her new position on December 22, 2022.

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