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Elgin board tabs Craycraft as interim superintendent

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MARION — The Elgin Local Schools Board of Education selected James Craycraft to serve as the district's interim superintendent beginning Aug. 3, according to a press release from board president John Metcalf.

Craycraft was selected to temporarily fill the post after the resignation of Doug Ute, who recently accepted a position as superintendent of Newark City Schools.

Metcalf stated that Craycraft's selection was based on recommendations from the North Central Ohio Educational Service Center, which was asked to conduct a search for an interim superintendent on the district's behalf.

Craycraft has more than 33 years of administrative experience including past superintendent positions at Ridgedale Local Schools, Tri-Rivers Career Center, Mount Gilead Exempt Village School District and most recently Fairbanks Local School.

He is expected to fill the position until a permanent superintendent is hired. The board plans to begin a search for a permanent superintendent later this year.

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