



Mark Whelton is a veteran Michigan superintendent whose work has focused on raising student achievement and closing opportunity gaps in diverse, high-needs settings. Since 2018, he has led Bridgeport-Spaulding Community School District, aligning academics, finances, and culture around a student-centered vision and safe, supportive schools.

Previously, Mark served in the Michigan Department of Education's Office of Educational Supports, partnering with districts on financial independence and long-term improvement. His K-12 career began in Frankenmuth in 2001, and he now also serves as adjunct faculty and subject-matter expert for the Great Lakes Bay Consortium EMS Instructor-Coordinator program, training future EMS instructors in educational methodology, curriculum design, and effective teaching practices.

A 1992 graduate of Heritage High School in Saginaw, he brings deep Mid-Michigan roots and a strong moral compass grounded in fairness and service. Colleagues know him as a collaborative listener and clear communicator who keeps students at the center of every decision.