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Dr. Lowell Holtz to announce candidacy for State Superintendent of Public Instruction

Dr. Lowell Holtz will formally announce his candidacy for Wisconsin State Superintendent of Public Instruction on July 12, 2016. Dr. Holtz will follow the schedule outlined below as he travels to four different locations across the state to make his announcement.

Dr. Holtz has a proven record as an educational reformer who has raised test scores and closed achievement gaps in rural, urban, and suburban districts. As a successful urban school superintendent he led a team that dramatically reduced violence, returned control of classrooms to teachers, instilled student discipline, closed achievement gaps, and increased graduation rates.

"The children of Wisconsin must be able to compete at a global level. The attempt of the Federal government to eliminate local control with programs like common core must be fought. It is time to change the culture and climate of our educational system to let our teachers know we value the work they do and allow them more time in the classroom. The achievement gaps in Wisconsin have been identified as the worst in the nation. We can no longer turn our back on the thousands of children in Wisconsin who are victims of failing schools and dooming these children to a life of poverty or worse. The drain on the economy impacts the entire state with literally hundreds of millions of dollars spent on high school dropouts. It is time for the State Superintendent to lead the change and embrace all of the educational opportunities for our children. It is time for a change in leadership to someone that really cares about the success of all of our children. A strong education system will lead to a stronger Wisconsin!"

Dr. Holtz will hold four events on Tuesday, July 12, 2016.

Beloit 8:15am - [917 Church Street](#) (across from Beloit College).

Hales Corners Park 10:30 am- [5675 S New Berlin Rd.](#)

Appleton 1:45pm - Freedom Project Academy - [750 N. Hickory Farm Lane.](#)

Wausau 6:00pm - Scherrer Construction, Suite 100 [815 S. 24th Ave.](#)