

Treasurer/CFO Search for Ridgedale School District



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Mission Statement

To empower students to reach their potential while focusing on learning, safety, partnerships with our community, and fiscal responsibility.

The Community

The Ridgedale Local School District is located in the village of Morral in Marion County. In addition, the district includes the communities of Big Island, Brush Ridge, Kirkpatrick, Meeker, and northwestern Marion. The district is 121.64 square miles spanning parts of Marion, Wyandot, and Crawford Counties. The district is home to approximately 5,000 residents and is located just west of the State Route 23 corridor north of Marion, Ohio.

Morral is 2.7 square miles and the median income, for tax year 2019, was \$39,403. With the district encompassing 122 square miles and 6 communities, the community as a whole has a diverse population and income. Brush Ridge is located at the interchange of US Route 23 and State Routes 231 and 423 providing easy access to major Ohio cities, shopping, universities, and the arts; all while maintaining a small-town atmosphere. The northwest corner of the city of Marion is part of the Ridgedale district and city center is just a short 12 miles from the Ridgedale district offices.

District Profile

School Buildings	
Elementary	1
Junior/Senior High School	1
Total Enrollment	621
Number of Employees	
Treasurer's Staff	2 P.T.
Administrative	6
Certified Staff	53
Classified Staff	34

Qualifications/Responsibilities

The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is responsible for overseeing the entire financial operations of the organization, the accuracy and timeliness of all state and federal reporting, and the development of the annual district operating budget and the Five-Year Forecast. The CFO is an active participant on the senior leadership team and will provide leadership for the district in many areas including finance, strategic planning, program development, and is a resource for business and human resource functions.

The applicant must possess a valid Ohio Treasurer's license and a Bachelor's Degree or above. Successful experience as a School Treasurer is preferred. The CFO must maintain integrity and high standards of ethics in all matters.

The successful candidate will demonstrate the following financial leadership characteristics:

- Strong financial skills/detail-oriented reporting skills
- Leadership skills for finance and district staff
- Experience with and understanding of State of Ohio software
- Knowledge of state and local funding issues along with Ohio laws and regulations
- Excellent inter-personal and communication skills
- Expertise in developing and communicating business office procedures
- Experience in effective process management
- Ability to facilitate educational discussions/decisions through a financial lens

Compensation and Terms of Employment

The Board intends to offer the successful candidate a contract, as per law. The base salary range is expected to be \$80,000 to \$102,000 but is negotiable and commensurate with experience and qualifications.

Ridgedale Local School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Employment is offered without regard to race, color, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, religion, sex, gender identity or expression, economic status, age, disability, legally acquired genetic information, military status or sexual orientation.

Board of Education

Ryan Cook, President	2	years
Eric Park, Vice-President	14	years
Cathy Hamilton	2	years
Ed Roush	2	years
Mandy Roberts, Appointed 10.18.21	1	years

Financial Data

Operating Millage	
Inside	5.50
Bond	none
Current Expense Voted	38.92
Class I Assessed/ Class II Assessed	25.04/23.72
Permanent Imp.	none

Total Valuation \$160,787,050

Appropriations

General Fund	\$ 8,414,054
Total - All Funds	\$11,104,893

General Fund Revenue

Local Taxes	60.42%
State Funds	36.27%
Other	3.31%

Application Process

Qualified individuals are encouraged to apply. Please submit:

- A cover letter emphasizing qualifications and reasons for interest
- An up-to-date resume
- List three (3) references from associates or board members who can speak to candidate qualifications and work experience
- A copy of current Ohio Treasurer Certificate/License
- A CFO screening form will be provided to the applicant upon application submission

Note: Applicants should not make personal contact with any Board of Education members.

All application material can be mailed or emailed to the following:

K-12 Business Consulting
"Ridgedale Local School District Treasurer Search"
P.O. Box 476
New Albany, OH 43054
dcramer@k12consulting.net

Direct questions concerning the position to:

Dolores Cramer at 937.243.2922

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or Sue Lehmann at 419.619.1376 sueellen62@aol.com

The School District

The Ridgedale Local Board of Education continually strives to be good stewards of public dollars. While funds from the State continue to fluctuate and financial challenges face the district, the Board, Treasurer and Superintendent have taken proactive steps to live within the district's means while still providing each student with the best possible education.

The district is currently financially stable with an estimated 126 True Cash Days in the forecasted fiscal year 2026. There are no new levies in the forecast. The district emergency levy, currently at 3.72 mills generated \$575,034 and will expire December 31, 2026, if not renewed. The district's triennial update will be in 2022 for collection in 2023. The district is projecting to experience an increase for this update of .5% for Class 1 and 2% for Class 2. The district passed a school district income tax in 2020 with first collection in January of 2021, it is estimated to produce \$906,200 per year at full year collection.

The districts' mission statement is "To empower our students to reach their full potential by focusing on learning, safety, partnerships with our community, and fiscal responsibility". This mission is a common thread throughout the entire district.

Ridgedale not only partners with Tri-Rivers Career Center to provide students with additional options in career technical opportunities in Interactive Media, Agriculture, Criminal Justice, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Health, Engineering, Transportation, and more, but also offers Agriculture, Engineering, and CBI pathways within the district.

Tentative Timeline

Announce Vacancy	10.25.2022
Application Materials Due	11.16.2022
Initial Interview	11.29&30.2022
Final Interviews	12.06.2022
Action to Employ	12.08.2022
Est. Begin Employment	On or before 01.01.2023

These dates are approximate times. Applicants are reminded that application materials are subject to public records law.

**Deadline for applications
is November 16, 2022**

