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Twin Rivers New Superintendent Starts July 1

The Twin Rivers school board voted June 11 to hire Steven Martinez as the district's new superintendent. He'll start July 1. Martinez has a three-year contract with an annual salary of \$215,000.

"What made this job so appealing—first and foremost— the demographics," says Martinez. "It's a very diverse school district with some high poverty areas, a lot of different needs and different types of students, and that actually drew me to the position. I just really thought about how much opportunity there is to truly make a difference for students and staff, to build a community, to develop a pre-kindergarten through adult education system, and develop a strong identity for Twin Rivers and the communities we serve."

"Considering my background—my parents didn't graduate from high school and I was one of the first in my family to go to college—I believe I bring a different perspective to the superintendent's position, one where I can take theory and practice and put them into action. But, I also understand the background and the issues that our students and parents face daily."

Martinez has 15 years of experience in education—most recently at Fresno Unified School District where he's the assistant superintendent of school leadership. He began his career as a science and math teacher, and has been a principal, assistant principal, deputy principal and coach.

"Dr. Martinez is the right fit for Twin Rivers," says school board member Linda Fowler. "He is absolutely focused on children and that's what we need."

Twin Rivers Unified School District serves approximately 30,000 preschool through adult education students in northern Sacramento County.

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