New Hiawatha High School principal hired (KNZA)--A new Hiawatha High School principal has been hired.

Following an executive session at a special USD 415 Board of Education meeting Wednesday evening, Superintendent Lonnie Moser says the Board voted to hire Lori Fordyce for the position.

Fordyce was offered a one-year contract for the 2018-19 school year.

She was among four candidates interviewed.

Fordyce, who lives on a farm in the Powhattan area, currently serves as a librarian and Title I math teacher in the Buchanan County R-1V School District. .

She previously was a business teacher at Central High School in St. Joseph for 11 years, and a business and technology teacher for two years at Ridgeway, Missouri.

Fordyce received a Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Business, Master of Science in Educational Administration and Specialist of Education in Educational Leadership, all from Northwest Missouri State University.

Fordyce has a son who currently attends school in the Hiawatha School District.

The high school principal position came open following the resignation of Andrew Gaddis at the end of the 2016-17 school year.

Alan Jeffery is serving as interim principal this school year.

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