

ROBERT TESS

GRADUATED FROM EDGAR HIGH SCHOOL IN 1984

After graduating from Edgar High School, Robert Tess continued his education at UW Madison, receiving his Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1990. Bob began his career in education with the Marathon School District as a high school math teacher and coach where he enjoyed 20 years of teaching and coaching football, basketball, baseball, and golf. During that time, Bob also received his Master's Degree in Education from UW Stevens Point.

With the desire to grow professionally, Bob started the School Business Managers Program at Marian University and received his certification in 2012. While beginning the program, he received his next big opportunity as Executive Director of Business Services for the Oshkosh Area School District. Following three years in Oshkosh, in an effort to move closer to home, Bob joined the Wausau School District team as Chief Finance and Business Services Officer, where he is currently employed.

Bob is a member of several professional organizations including the Wisconsin Association of School Business Officials where he serves on the Board of Directors, State Education Convention Planning Committee, and the Wisconsin Investment Series Cooperative where he serves as a Commissioner.

Throughout his career in education, Bob received numerous awards, including Marathon County Special Education Regular Teacher of the Year in 1996, Kohl Fellowship finalist in 2009, National Blue Ribbon School delegate in 2007, Marathon County Honoring Excellence selection five times, as well as being a featured speaker at numerous Wisconsin Association of School Business Officials and Midwest Facilities Masters Conferences.

Bob lives in Stevens Point, Wisconsin, with his wife Laura and their three daughters Ava, Ella, and Nia.