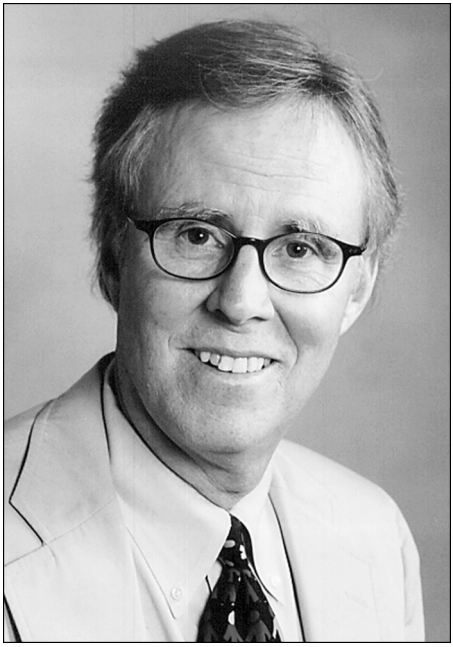

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN

Mike Flanagan was appointed State Superintendent of Public Instruction by the State Board of Education on May 18, 2005. He directs the Michigan Department of Education; chairs the State Board of Education; and advises the State Board of Education, the Governor, and the state Legislature regarding public education in Michigan.

Mr. Flanagan has been a local school superintendent and regional superintendent and served as the executive director of the statewide associations that represent Michigan public school superintendents and intermediate school districts in the state.

For seven years, Mr. Flanagan served as the Superintendent of the Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency (RESA), which serves nearly 500,000 children in the more than three dozen diverse communities of Wayne County. He also was Superintendent of the Farmington/Farmington Hills School District in Michigan for five years. He is past chairperson of the Education Alliance of Michigan, a nonprofit coalition of leading parent, business, and education associations; and past president of the National County Superintendents Association.

Mr. Flanagan has a bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame, a master's degree from Eastern Michigan University, and has continued graduate studies at Michigan State University and the University of Michigan. He is married to Anna and has three children: Mike, Brian, and Christa.

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