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Walter James-Pacheco Named Dr. Holtz' Latino Community Advisor

Dr. Lowell Holtz announced that Walter James-Pacheco will be his Latino Community Advisor in his bid for State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

James-Pacheco is a native of Toronto, Canada. He received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Canisius College in Buffalo, NY. His first job teaching was at a private school in Cartagena, Colombia, from 1993-1995. He earned a Master of Arts Degree in Comparative Spanish Literature from the University of Toronto and is fluent in Spanish and French. He then earned a Master of Science Degree in teaching Modern Languages from Canisius and later a Master of Arts Degree in Educational Administration from California State University, San Bernardino, CA. James-Pacheco has held Educational Leadership positions in California, Illinois, and Wisconsin. He is currently "All But Dissertation" in the doctoral program at Aurora University studying Undocumented Students and the Barriers that Exist to Their Enrollment and Financing a College Education.

James-Pacheco moved from California to Wisconsin to become the Assistant Principal and then Principal of Aldrich Middle School in Beloit. James-Pacheco wrote: *"It was in 2009 that I realized my dream as a school principal had come true. The test results were in. Our Latino kids had become the highest achieving 7th grade students in the Beloit School District. And this included our English language learners. With that momentum our Latino Community has flourished in Beloit, and now Beloit's Latino students, as a group, are the highest performing in the City. This success has been sustained and is growing! The Latino Community's value for education has become the admiration and example to so many other minority students, yet the students have yet to received any official recognition for their historic success."* Read full endorsement: [Why I support Dr. Lowell Holtz](#)

Subsequently James-Pacheco served as Principal of Rock Cut Elementary School and later Director of Dual Language/Bilingual and ESL programs in the Harlem School District in Machesney Park, Illinois. He lives in Beloit and has three school-aged children who attend the Beloit City Schools.

We are honored to have someone with Walter's background and proven record of achievement on our campaign team. Hiring talented people like Walter had a very positive impact on the Latino children of the Beloit School District. For the sake of our kids, this must be done on a statewide level. The Latino Community has been taken for granted for far too long and has been neglected by the current State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Latino communities will not be ignored when Dr. Holtz is elected as your Superintendent of Public Instruction.

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