

**Cynthia Saunders**  
**Superintendent**  
**School District of Manatee County**

Cynthia Saunders was sworn in as Superintendent of the School District of Manatee County on June 28, 2018. The School Board of Manatee County selected her to serve as Superintendent on an interim basis following former Superintendent Dr. Diana Greene, who was named Superintendent in Duval County.

Ms. Saunders has more than 28 years of professional experience in education as a teacher, assistant principal and principal as well as in district leadership positions in curriculum and staff development and as an Executive Director of Secondary Schools. Prior to becoming Superintendent, Ms. Saunders served as Deputy Superintendent of Instructional Services in Manatee County from July 2015 to June 2018.

Ms. Saunders holds a Master's Degree from Nova Southeastern University in Educational Leadership, and a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics Education from the University of Central Florida.