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"Expertise, judgment and dedication" are his attributes, according to his boss, Oakland Schools Superintendent James Redmond. "His demeanor is one of gentle professionalism. He does not beat his own drum."

His successor hasn't been named yet. "There were 120 who applied when I got it," Simonson said. "There will be no shortage of candidates."

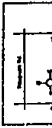
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