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## **Ohio Excels Praises Selection of Steve Dackin as New Leader of Ohio Department of Education and Workforce**

COLUMBUS, OH – Lisa Gray, president of Ohio Excels, commended Ohio Governor Mike DeWine for his selection of Steve Dackin to lead the new Department of Education and Workforce.

“Steve Dackin is the right educator at the right time to support Ohio’s students, teachers, and employers as the leader of Ohio’s new Department of Education and Workforce. His knowledge of our education and workforce systems are as strong as anyone’s, and his firsthand understanding of the challenges our students and educators face through his years serving as a teacher, principal, and superintendent will be critical to our students’ success. We were proud to support him before and praise the governor for picking this talented, committed education leader to guide this new department at this critical time,” said Gray.

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About Ohio Excels: Ohio Excels is a non-partisan, non-profit organization created in 2018 by leaders of Ohio’s business community who are committed to helping improve educational outcomes for Ohio’s students and ensuring that all K-12 schools prepare students for success in the next step of their lives, whether it is higher education, the military or the workforce.