Michael Prior, M.Ed.

Deputy Superintendent

Michael Prior has more than 25 years of experience in education. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in special education from Oklahoma State University.

While teaching middle school and coaching baseball for 6 years in Moore, Oklahoma, Mr. Prior earned a master's degree in educational administration from the University of Oklahoma. During this time Mr. Prior was a tutor for football and basketball players at OU.

At 29 years old, Mr. Prior became one of the youngest head principals in Oklahoma. He served as Principal at Earlsboro, Drumright, Millwood, and Noble Public Schools.

In 2018 Mr. Prior became the Superintendent/Principal at Banner Public Schools. Under his leadership Banner added a new state-of-the-art cafeteria and commercial kitchen with an attached Pre-k center. Several areas of the school were converted into classrooms, a new modern playground was added, and a 4-classroom modular building was installed to accommodate the continuous growth. Both the general and building fund balances more than doubled under his leadership.

Mr. Prior is married to Monica. They have a daughter, Crislyn, who currently works as a mechanical engineer and lives in Thailand. Mr. Prior loves to ride his motorcycle on beautiful sunny days in Oklahoma. He enjoys writing books and screenplays. His goal is to earn his private pilot's certificate to fly small aircraft before he retires.

