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Wallace School has begun the new school term with a new superintendent.

Thomas Sandberg is living in the community during the week, but returns to his home in Axtell on the weekends.

His wife, Sue, is a nurse at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney.

Sandberg had previously served for 21 years as elementary principal and superintendent in the Axtell district.

During that 21 years, he filled a shared superintendent position with Wilcox for four years and another two years in the Wilcox-Hildreth Public Schools.

For 15 years he was a teacher, elementary principal and elementary/middle school principal in Ashland-Greenwood.

Sandberg said back when he was an elementary student, his family moved around quite a bit. He lived in Holdrege during his junior high years and then graduated from high school in Beatrice.

He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in elementary and special education, pursued a Master of Arts in Education degree, then received a Specialist Degree in Educational Administration from UNL.

The Sandbergs have three children, two grandchildren plus one due in November. One son has a landscaping business in Wisconsin, another lives in Rochester, Minn., and works as a nurse in open heart surgery at St. Mary's Hospital (Mayo Clinic). Their expectant daughter lives in Omaha and works in marketing at Mutual of Omaha.