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### USD 377 Consolidates Teaching Positions to Close Budget Gap

(KAIR) -- In an effort to close a projected budget gap, the USD 377 school district in Effingham will eliminate one position and consolidate several others.

The school board Monday night voted to eliminate the position of junior-senior high math and strategic reading teacher Staci Honas, absorb an elementary aide position with the upcoming retirement of Lorraine Strine and reassign several full-time positions to half-time.

Superintendent Steve Wiseman says despite the budget gaps, zero educational programs will be eliminated.

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In other business, the board voted to cut a day and a half off the school year for PreK through 11 students.

The final day for those students will now be May 21st.

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