

Professional Development with YOU in Mind



A recent NAESP survey found that professional development for principals is needed not only in instruction, but in communication and organization. However, the surveyed principals don't believe current professional development offerings meet these needs.

Recognizing that time is an increasingly precious commodity for principals, the NAESP Leadership Academy is addressing these findings by providing an array of online professional development opportunities principals can tailor to their needs and time constraints.

"Leading Learning Communities," a two-hour course delivered in seven modules and based on NAESP's *Standards for What Principals Should Know and Be Able to Do*, features discussions with nationally recognized experts and takes the learner to schools where the standards are incorporated into daily practice. Other online Leadership Academy learning opportunities include 90-minute Webcasts, offered throughout the school year, that bring experts on leadership, curriculum, and instructional issues directly to schools via computer and telephone, making it possible for principals and their staffs to share learning experiences.

New and aspiring principals will find the Accelerated School Administrators Program (ASAP) to be a quality fast-track approach to leadership development, with targeted content, research, and references in each module. All of these quality online opportunities are available through the NAESP Academy Online at www.naesp.org.

The Leadership Academy also offers a variety of traditional workshop and seminars. Leading Learning Communities Workshops are one-day learning experiences that may be offered individually or in a series as part of a coordinated long-term development plan. They are currently available for state or district presentation. Other offerings include one- and three-day seminars based on the ISLLC and NAESP standards, and the Professional Development Inventory assessment center.

The Leadership Academy is a great resource for professional development. Make use of it by accessing these and other programs at www.naesp.org. ■

Welcome to Members Only!

Many of you haven't taken advantage of the member profile update feature of our new Web site. If you haven't visited the site since we launched it last September, you will be prompted to log in anew to make sure we have the correct information for you and to create a new six-character user name and password. Once you have done this, and you check the "Remember Me" box, you will never have to log in again and can directly access Members Only content.



How to log in on your first visit:

1. **Fill in the log-in fields on the left of the home page with your last name and NAESP ID Number.** You will be taken to the MyNAESP Profile page.
2. **Create a six-character user name** (or use the one we have indicated for you).
3. **Choose an easy-to-remember password of six characters or more**, or continue to use your ID number if it contains at least six characters. Make sure to check the "Remember Me" box.
4. **Check to see that all your other contact information is correct.** (Refer to the instructions at the top of the page if you don't understand the contents of a particular field.)
5. **Indicate your specific areas of interest.** Check boxes at bottom of the page so we can send you new content alerts via e-mail (and make sure we have a correct e-mail address for you).
6. **Click on "Submit" to review your selections.** You will get an error message if you have forgotten something.
7. **Click "Confirm" and you are done!** You should now be in the Members Only area and should not have to log in each time you visit the site (although you may have to repeat this process if you move to another computer).

Problems or questions? E-mail us at naesp@naesp.org or call 800-386-2377, extensions 252 or 279. Don't miss any of your online member benefits! ■