Kentucky Principal Elected to National Education Association Board

Alexandria, VA—June 11, 2009—John A. Ansman, principal of Roberta B. Tully Elementary School in Louisville, Kentucky, was recently elected to the 15-person board of directors of the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) in a nationwide election. Gail Connelly, NAESP’s executive director, announced the results from the Association’s headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia.

Ansman begins his three-year-term as director of Zone 5 on July 1, representing elementary and middle school principals in Illinois, Indiana, and Kentucky.

“As past president of my local and state associations and as a past Federal Relations Coordinator and State Representative for NAESP, I have been provided with opportunities to serve and advocate for principals and education issues,” Ansman said. “As principal of two very different schools, I have the knowledge and understanding of issues facing urban and suburban principals.”

Ansman has been a member of NAESP since 2000, working with the National Leadership Conference (2005-2008) and the Delegate Assembly (2005-2008). He has been a member of the Kentucky Association of Elementary School Principals since 1996, serving as president (2005-2006) and as summer conference planner in 2008, and fall conference planner in 2004 and 2005.

Ansman has been affiliated with the Jefferson County Association of Elementary School Principals since 1996, serving as president in 2001-2002. He was also the elementary principal representative to the Jefferson County Association of School Administrators from 2000 to 2003.

In 2002, he was named Jefferson County Public Schools Elementary School Principal of the Year and served as the elementary liaison to the school system from 2005 to 2008.

Ansman began his career at Hazelwood Elementary in 1987, then moved in 1995 to the Van Hoose Education Center as a resource teacher for a year. He served as principal at Roosevelt-Perry Elementary from 1996 to 2005, when he was named to his current principal position at Roberta B. Tully Elementary.

Ansman earned his B.S. in elementary education, M.A. in elementary curriculum, and Rank I, Education Administration, from the University of Louisville. He received an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership from Spaulding University.

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Established in 1921, the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) serves 28,000 elementary and middle school principals in the United States, Canada, and overseas. NAESP leads in the advocacy and support for elementary and middle-level principals and other education leaders in their commitment to all children.