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What you need to know about the Association that has your back.

The work of a principal is never done. You do it all, and you love it. But even principals require support. We want to keep you in the know about how your Association is serving you while you serve kids. Here are five things you need to know about:



1 Your voice in Washington, D.C.

NAESP headquarters staffers represent the nation's principals at dozens of national coalition and partnership meetings every month. For example, we present the principal's perspective at meetings at the U.S. Department of Education and with legislators on Capitol Hill, as well as with coalitions such as the Committee for Education Funding and the Arts Education Partnership Advisory Council. We'll keep beating the drum for what's right for schools.



2 On a mission.

Through philanthropy and volunteerism, the annual Lifetouch Memory Mission trip helps rebuild lives and school communities. NAESP principals have been lending a hand in the initiative since 2011. Most recently, the 2018 Memory Mission built a school cafeteria in the Dominican Republic; next, the 2019 Memory Mission will make its mark in Puerto Rico.



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3 Kudos.

NAESP Executive Director Dr. L. Earl Franks, CAE, was inducted into the Alabama Educational Leadership Hall of Fame at Troy University. Troy University, the Alabama Association of School Boards, and the Council for Leaders in Alabama Schools select individuals who have shown great achievements and leadership in education in Alabama. The groups noted that Franks' achievements go beyond state boundaries.

4 A mentor training near you.

NAESP has exponentially expanded its National Mentor Training & Certification opportunities. This spring alone there are five trainings in Alexandria, Virginia; Clive, Iowa; Louisville, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee; and Salt Lake City. Join the growing national cadre of NAESP-certified principal mentors.



5 3.5 million students in 30,000 schools.

That's the number of President's Education Awards Program (PEAP) certificates distributed in 2018 to recognize student academic achievements. (NAESP is a partner in the program.) Certificates are free, and there is no limit. Make sure students at your school receive this recognition.