

National Association of Elementary School Principals

Serving All Elementary and Middle-Level Principals

Dear NAESP Member,

I wish to hold the office of the Vice President of NAESP in order to serve this organization and its members to my full potential. My goal as Vice President is to inspire and support educational leaders across the country through a three-pronged approach of celebrating our profession, connecting our existing members, and cultivating new leaders. I will work with my colleagues on the board of directors to create a dynamic and energizing environment for principals and educational leaders from PreK through eighth grade, making sure educators from all backgrounds and communities feel represented and empowered.

My experience as a building principal for over 20 years, as past president of the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association, as president of the Rotary Club, and my experience working with the NAESP leadership team has helped me develop the skills necessary to serve as Vice President of this organization. Those skills include organizational skills, the ability to empower team members, and develop effective partnerships among our members and other stakeholders. My vision is to be a person of action to support and grow our organization, just as I have done for the other organizations, I am a part of.

Most importantly, I recognize that no great accomplishments happen without teamwork. I would promote a culture of collaboration, where every member is heard, validated, and included. I live and work by the motto, "We are better together" and I will put that motto into practice if given the opportunity to serve as Vice President of this amazing organization.

Sincerely,

Jon Wennstrom Principal of Riley Upper Elementary School Livonia, Michigan