Dear Superintendent/Principal,

The Connecticut Principals' Center is again offering its "Aspiring Administrator's Conference" on October 23-24, 2008, at the Heritage in Southbury.

As the shortage of qualified applicants for administrative positions has increased, so too has the need for programs to help teachers as they explore the possibility of becoming school leaders. The present CSDE designation of the 092 certification as a shortage area lends credence to this need. Our experience from six previous conferences indicates participation has encouraged a number of teachers to seek administrative certification and enter a career in school and district leadership.

Please consider your staff and recommend, using the online form, teachers who you believe have the potential to be effective administrators at some point in the future. Inform the teacher of your recommendation and return the form to our office by September 10, 2008.

We hope there will be adequate space in the program, but if not, we will accept candidates primarily based on priority order of the arrival date of the recommendations. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Mike Buckley, Director Connecticut Principals' Center CAS 203.250.1111 Gene Horrigan, Chair and Principal, Shepaug Valley High School