

Earle G. Bidwell

Earle Bidwell is currently Assistant Executive Director of the Connecticut Association of Schools and is responsible for all middle level programs and initiatives for member middle schools. His responsibilities include:

- In-service programs for middle school teachers and principals;
- Recognition programs for exemplary schools, students, teachers and administrators;
- Statewide “leadership” and “fine arts” conferences for students;
- Editing “IMPACT” *Connecticut’s Journal for Middle Level Educators* and writing for the association’s monthly “Bulletin;”
- Advocating for middle level education.

Bidwell’s previous experience includes 35 years as a middle school teacher and principal.

Professional Memberships and Activities

NMSA Member, 1982 – present
Presenter NMSA Convention 2003
Presenter at NASSP Convention 2004
Presenter, NMSA Affiliate Leader’s Summit, 2002
Connecticut State Affiliate Leader, 1999 – present
Workshop presenter for CAS, NELMS, ASCD and many school districts, 1985 - present
CT Alliance for the Arts in Education Board of Directors, 2000 – present
CT Association of Public School Superintendents Committee on Certification, present
NELMS Member, 1982 – present

Professional Experience at the Middle Level

CT Association of Schools Assistant Executive Director, 1999- present
“IMPACT” Connecticut’s *Journal for Middle Level Educators* editor, present
Capt. Nathan Hale Middle School Principal, 1992-1999
F. W. Strong Middle School Principal, 1982-1992
Public school educator for more than 35 years

Noteworthy recognitions and achievements

CAS Middle Level Principal of the Year, 1996
CAS President 1996-1998
1997-98CAS Citation (CAS’s highest award), 1994
Connecticut Commissioner’s Task Force for Administrative Certification,
IDEA Distinguished Educator’s Award, 1993
Honorary Chairman, Scholar Leader Banquet, 1992
Published *Retraining and Professional Development at the Middle Level*, 1985, and *Your Middle Level School, A Guide for Parents*, 1990
Carnegie Foundation National Curriculum Project, 1988