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Cardona Solutions and Connecticut Association of Schools Unite to Empower Educational Leaders and Transform School Systems

Cheshire, CT — May16, 2025 — The Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS) is proud to announce a dynamic partnership with **Cardona Solutions**, founded by former U.S. Secretary of Education Dr. Miguel A. Cardona to help school districts and educational leaders across Connecticut build innovative systems of leadership, growth, and sustainable improvement.

At the heart of this partnership is a shared belief: You cannot have a successful school without a successful leader. Recognizing this, the initiative will deliver strategic support to principals, superintendents, and other school leaders who are navigating the mounting complexities of today's educational landscape.

"This partnership is about more than strategy—it's about transformation," said Dr. Miguel A. Cardona. "We aim to help school systems build leadership pipelines and support structures that cultivate resilience, foster innovation, and empower educators to rise to today's challenges with clarity and purpose.".

Together, Cardona Solutions and CAS will focus on:

- Designing innovative, student-centered leadership development frameworks
- Supporting superintendents and building-level leaders with tools to reimagine instructional leadership
- Aligning leadership strategies with improved student outcomes and educator retention
- Offering customized district-wide solutions that strengthen collaboration, trust, and strategic planning

"This collaboration directly supports our mission to serve school leaders as they strive to create environments where educators thrive and students succeed," said CAS Executive Director Dr. Glenn Lungarini. "We know that when principals grow, entire school communities grow with them."

By drawing on Cardona Solutions' national expertise and CAS's deep roots in Connecticut schools, this partnership will provide practical, scalable leadership solutions for school systems of every size. The initiative also aims to build sustainable infrastructures that prepare districts to lead in a future-focused educational era.

About the Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS):

CAS is dedicated to serving educational leaders through advocacy, professional development, and resources that promote excellence in the education of all students. CAS supports principals, assistant principals, and other school leaders in building strong, effective school communities.

About Cardona Solutions:

Founded by Dr. Miguel A. Cardona, Cardona Solutions is a national consulting organization that partners with educational systems to implement innovative, student-centered approaches to leadership development, school improvement, and equity.

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