NAESP CONNECTIONS

WINTER 2019

2019 Leadership Conference

- In March, over 200 elementary and middle-level principal leaders from across the country will gather in the nation's capital for the 2019 National Leaders Conference to sharpen their leadership skills and advocate for principals on Capitol Hill.
- The NAESP Advocacy team had great success on federal legislation over the past year:
 - o Title II-A funding was preserved for FY18 and FY19
 - o Title I grants increase of \$100 million
 - O Special education grants (IDEA) increase of \$87 million
 - o Title VI-A Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants increase of \$70 million

Other Advocacy News

- NAESP has joined other groups in the National Coalition for Public Education to successfully fight legislation that would have funneled dollars from the Impact Aid program into a private school voucher program for students with an active duty parent in the military.
- NAESP organized a meeting on Capitol Hill this spring to discuss strategies to improve school safety.

Leadership is practiced not so much in words as in attitude and in actions.

Harold S. Geneen

Save the Date

 Make plans to attend the <u>2019 NAESP Pre-K-8 Principals Conference</u>. The conference will take place in Spokane, Washington. Keynote speakers include Michael Fullan and Razia Jan!

<u>NAESP Webinar Wednesdays</u>

Upcoming Webinars for members include:

- January 16, 3:00 4:00 p.m. Tech Tools for Principal Engagement
- January 23, 3:00 4:00 p.m. Hungry to Learn: An Equitable Start to the Day with Access to School breakfast

National Mentor Training and Certification Program

 This training program offers a highly structured professional development program designed to create a cadre of mentors to support school leaders. See training sessions at https://www.naesp.org/

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NAESP Connections will be a quarterly newsletter for all NAESP members. Please look forward to upcoming issues. As your NAESP State Rep it is my responsibility to provide input to NAESP from Connecticut principals. Listed below is my contact information. Please feel free to contact me with any questions/suggestions/ideas regarding issues important to you. I will do my best to relay the issues to our national association and our leaders in Washington. Your voice as a Connecticut principal will be heard!

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