



JOHN D. BASH

Superintendent
Tumwater School District

GOALS

- *Ensure Systemic Equity:* Lead, support, and advocate for policy changes and professional development to ensure equity and excellence for all students.
- *Leadership Development:* Facilitate leadership support, professional learning, and collaboration among leaders across the state navigating complex systems change.
- *Honor Service & Success:* Recognize and celebrate the many people and programs across our state helping all students achieve success.

Dear WASA Members:

I am deeply honored to be nominated as one of WASA's 2018–19 President-elect candidates and welcome the opportunity to join with the WASA Board and Staff to serve and support all of you. I appreciate the consideration of your vote for me as President-elect and thank you for your dedicated service to students, staff, and families across our great state.

The Washington Association of School Administrators has become a leading voice in promoting equity and excellence in public education for all students across our state.

While we appreciate the progress made with overall state funding for public schools, we must continue to advocate for equitable policy and funding changes so that each district can attract and retain the staff needed to serve our students and operate our school districts. This will require teamwork and collaboration among WASA members and leaders reflecting the diverse communities our 295 school districts represent.

Together, we must also embrace and lead culture and system changes necessary to eliminate the opportunity and achievement gaps that still exist for some groups of students our schools serve. We have many school and district success stories to learn from across our state and WASA's ongoing equity-focused professional development can help all of us build greater capacity to achieve this goal.

Being of service to others brings special joy to my heart. I pledge to give my very best effort to this important work and all of you if I'm elected to serve.

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SUPERINTENDENT | TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT

EDUCATION

- 2008 Washington State Superintendent Certification
Washington State University
- 1993 Master of Arts—Educational Leadership
University of Washington; Danforth Program
- 1987 Bachelor of Arts—Elementary Education;
Minor: Music Education
Central Washington University

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2015–Present Superintendent; Tumwater School District
- 2010–15 Deputy Superintendent; North Thurston Public Schools
- 2007–10 Assistant Superintendent; Centralia School District
- 2001–07 Director of Teaching, Learning & Special Programs; Centralia School District
- 1997–01 Principal; Washington Elementary; Centralia School District
- 1995–97 Assistant Principal/Athletic Director; Centralia Middle School
- 1987–95 Elementary and Secondary Teacher; Shelton & Olympia School Districts



OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & RECOGNITION

- 2017 WASA Certificate of Appreciation
- 2017 Community Excellence Award—Thurston County TOGETHER!
- 2016–Present Thurston County Chamber—Board of Trustees
- 2016–17 Chair: Thurston County Superintendents Group
- 2016 City of Tumwater Award—Community Professional Development
- 2015–16 Chair: New Market Skills Center Administrative Council
- 2015 Leadership Service Award—North Thurston Public Schools
- 2012 ESD#113 Spirit of Leadership Award
- 2009 City of Centralia Community Service Award
- 2007 WASA Region #113 Student Achievement Leadership Award
- 2006 Centralia College Hispanic Educational Leadership Project Award

WASA SERVICE

- 2018 WASA Executive Director Interview Panel
- 2017–Present WASA Board Member, Region 113
- 2017–Present WASA Superintendent Mentor Program
- 2017–Present SIRS Board
- 2007–08 WASA Region 113 Instructional Administrator Chair
- 2001–18 WASA Member