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Enumclaw Superintendent Shaun Carey Elected WASA President

Carey to lead statewide professional association for school administrators.

OLYMPIA—Aug. 15, 2024— The Washington Association of School Administrators (WASA) is pleased to announce that members have elected Dr. Shaun Carey, superintendent of the Enumclaw School District, as WASA President-Elect for 2024-25. Carey will assume the presidency in July 2025, following the term of the current president, Dr. Bob Maxwell, superintendent of Pullman School District.

Dr. Carey has been an active member of WASA since 2012 and has served in various association positions, including as a member of WASA's Aspiring Superintendent Cohort, the Dr. Doyle E. Winter Scholarship Selection Committee, the Superintendent of the Year Selection Committee, and two terms on the WASA Board of Directors.

"We congratulate Dr. Carey on being elected to serve and lead WASA as its president. Throughout his career, including his tenure as superintendent of the Enumclaw School District, Shaun has demonstrated outstanding leadership, earning the admiration and respect of WASA members across the entire state. In recent years, his active involvement in WASA has seen him serve our association and its members in a variety of capacities," said WASA Executive Director Joel Aune. "Shaun is a respected leader who embodies the core values of WASA: Leadership, Trust, and Advocacy. His tenure as superintendent of the Enumclaw School District has been characterized by an unwavering commitment to advancing educational equity for all students—a commitment that is in full alignment with the core values and mission of WASA."

Shaun Carey stated, "It is a sincere honor and privilege to serve as President-elect of an organization that has helped shape me into the leader I am today. I look forward to learning from and leading with colleagues who embody the leadership characteristics needed in our nation's public schools."

As WASA President, Carey's goals are to:

- Build leadership capacity by maximizing a strategy centered on developing and maintaining leadership within the school district.

- Invest in professional development, mentorship, and succession planning to cultivate a pipeline of skilled leaders capable of navigating dynamic educational landscapes.
- Foster strong leadership teams to act as catalysts for continuous improvement and collaboration, ultimately enhancing the quality of education within the district.

Carey received his superintendent credentials from Pacific Lutheran University and a doctorate in education from Washington State University. He holds a master's degree in school administration from City University of Seattle and a bachelor's degree in education from Pacific Lutheran University.

Carey began his educational career in 1994, working as a teacher in the Franklin-Pierce School District. In 2011, he became Executive Director of Human Resources, moving to Deputy Superintendent for PK–12 in 2017 before becoming superintendent of the Enumclaw School District in 2020.



About the Washington Association of School Administrators

The Washington Association of School Administrators (<http://www.wasa-oly.org>) is committed to the development of quality education through professional leadership. Members benefit from a supportive community of professional leaders working to provide insightful and valuable training, support, and resources to education leaders and to sustain a positive impact on legislative and community leaders. With more than 1,600 members, membership is open to education administrators in a central office, building management, and educational agency positions. A not-for-profit organization, WASA is funded by membership dues and association events.

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