



Tabatha Mires

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• **SCHOOL DISTRICT**
Manson School District

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www.manson.org

GOALS

IF ELECTED TO SERVE

- Cultivate, support, sustain, celebrate, and work to **unite education leaders** while honoring and respecting the unique challenges, skills, and abilities representing communities and school districts large, medium and small, urban, suburban and rural across the state.
- **Champion public education** through story, student and staff voice, community outreach, advocacy and a focused message of system improvement, equity, and ample funding.
- **Provide leaders with support**, tools, training, connections, and knowledge for developing both the technical skills and the leadership qualities and experiences which will lead innovation, improve systems, and impact student outcomes.

Dear WASA Members,

It is with deep respect that I write to you as a fellow educational leader and candidate for WASA President. I'm Tabatha Mires, Superintendent of the Manson School District, a proud mom of three public school graduates, a great believer in public education and someone who believes deeply in the power of education to shape lives.

As a parent, I've seen firsthand how dedicated educators and school and district leaders can help students grow not just academically, but personally. Schools change lives every day, and I am so proud to be a small part of what I believe is the most important calling in America: serving students and communities through public education. My experiences fuel my passion to honor and listen to leaders across our state—leaders with diverse experiences, strengths, and stories. Together, we can amplify the incredible work happening in our schools and champion public education for every student in Washington.

My leadership is grounded in the belief that our greatest responsibility is to recognize and develop the potential in others. Inspired by the Leader in Me framework, Brene Brown's Dare to Lead, and The Way of the Shepherd, I strive to lead with courage, clarity, and compassion. I believe brave leadership is not about titles or positions—it's about showing up with integrity and heart, especially when it's hard.

WASA has made a meaningful difference in my journey as a leader and in the lives of the students and staff I serve. It has been a source of connection, growth, and advocacy, and I am committed to continuing the legacy of leadership, trust, and service that WASA is built upon. I will proudly advocate for equity for all students across Washington State.

We are facing unprecedented challenges in public education including rising polarization, shifting expectations, and the urgent need to adapt to a rapidly changing world. But I believe that together, we can meet these challenges head-on. By focusing on what unites us and our shared commitment to students, equity, and preparing graduates for the future, we can lead with purpose and resilience.

If given the opportunity, I will work to ensure WASA continues to be a place where leadership is nurtured, innovation is supported, and systems are strengthened to improve outcomes for all students. I am a transparent, curious, and collaborative leader who believes deeply in the collective wisdom of colleagues and the power of shared leadership to move us forward.

Thank you for the work you do every day. I look forward to the journey ahead—together.

With Gratitude,

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OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & RECOGNITION

- **Gates Grant School Reinvention Steering Committee Member**
2006–2013
- **Together For Drug Free Youth Advisory Board Member**
2010–2023
- **AWSP Principal Mentor**
2016–2018
- **Leader in Me Lighthouse School Administrator** 2018
- **Rural Education Center Member**
2018–Present
- **AASA Member**
2018–Present
- **Rural Alliance Board Member**
2018–Present
- **WASA Student Leadership Achievement Award** 2022
- **WIAA Superintendent Advisory Committee Member**
2022–Present
- **ESA Special Education Superintendent Advisory Committee Member**
2024–Present
- **WASA Award of Merit** 2024
- **Manson Booster Club Member**
2024–Present
- **Chelan Valley Housing Trust Board Member**
2025–Present

• PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023–Present	Superintendent Manson School District
2021–23	Superintendent/K–6 Principal Palisades School District
2018–21	Superintendent Waterville School District
2015–16	Principal Waterville School District
2015–17	CTE Director Waterville School District
2012–21	Principal Waterville Jr/Sr High School
2011–12	Dean of Students Waterville School District
1995–12	Teacher Waterville Jr/Sr High Teacher

• EDUCATION

2021	Superintendent Credential Washington State University
2012	Principal Certification Heritage University
2000	Master of Education Lesley University
1995	Bachelor of Education Eastern Washington University Magna Cum Laude

• WASA SERVICE

- WASA Member
- Isolation and Restraint Focus Group Superintendent Representative
- Legislation and Finance Committee
- Region 171 President and Vice President
- Small School Committee Chair
- Superintendent Mentor
- Spring Conference Presenter
- Summer Conference Presenter
- National Advocacy Network Washington State Superintendent Representative

