



WASA's Newest Assistant Executive Director

WASA Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce the selection of Tim Garchow as the new Assistant Executive Director for Member Support here at WASA. Tim will join the WASA leadership team on July 1st. He comes to WASA after eight years as Executive Director of WSSDA.

Many of you know Tim, who prior to serving as Executive Director of WSSDA was ten years a superintendent in the Ranier and South Side school districts. Tim has served as principal and also taught for 6 years in the Peninsula and Sumner-Bonney Lake school districts.

Prior to working with WSSDA, Tim was a WASA member for ten years and recognized with the Region 113 WASA Award of Merit in 2016. In 2018, while serving as Executive Director at WSSDA, Tim was the recipient of the prestigious *Service to WASA Award*.

Selected from a strong and deep pool of candidates, Tim was one of four outstanding finalists interviewed for the position late last week. I want to thank WASA Board members who served on the interview team: Mike Villarreal, Michelle Whitney, Linda McKay, Chrys Sweeting, and James Everett.

We are thrilled to welcome Tim to the WASA leadership team. His diverse background, encompassing roles as a superintendent and executive director of a state association, makes him uniquely qualified for this role. Beyond his experience, Tim's intellect, positivity, perspective, and energy will be a great addition for us, and most importantly for the members we serve. He is poised to enhance the remarkable legacy of support Andy Wolf has established for our association members during his distinguished tenure at WASA.

Please join me in congratulating Tim. He shares our excitement about becoming a part of the WASA team, just as we are thrilled to have him join us in the work of serving and supporting all of you—the WASA membership.



Have a great week,

G. Joel Aune

Executive Director