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| UASSP UpdateSeptember 26, 2022Secondary Principals,It is hard to believe that we are at the end of September. Happy Fall! October is a great month for many reasons. One of those is the fact that **October is National Principals Month!** We have some amazing secondary principals in Utah! Thanks for all that you do.There are a few other important dates to be aware of in the coming weeks:October 2 - National Custodian DayOctober 5 - World Teacher DayOctober 6 - National Coaches DayOctober 10-14 - National School Lunch Week**Please make note of the following:**1. **Power Hour This Week**We are excited to have **State Superintendent Sydnee Dickson** as our guest for our first Power Hour of the year. It will be this **Wednesday, September 28 from 10-11 AM.** She is looking forward to talking to us about a few things, and getting feedback from us as well. This is a great opportunity to learn from an amazing leader, but also to be able to share feedback with her as well. **If you would like to join the virtual Power Hour with Superintendent Dickson on Wednesday from 10-11 AM, please email** rhonda.bromley@uassp.org**to receive the link.**2. **Secretaries Conference**Our Secretaries Conference is on October 5 at The Barn at Thanksgiving Point. The theme is *Courage to Lead.....Who YOU are Matters*. We will be focussing on self-care. Our secretaries do a great job taking care of everyone else, they deserve a day to collaborate with others, hear from amazing speakers, have great food, win prizes, and have some fun. Please encourage your secretary to register now at [uassp.org](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=6f372c40e5&e=77161a8d36). The last day to register is this Friday, September 30. The agenda and speaker bios can be found at the following links:[UASSP Secretaries Conference Agenda](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=6d70b8a189&e=77161a8d36)[Speaker Bios](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=679c188875&e=77161a8d36)3. **UASSP Membership**Thanks to those of you that have already become a UASSP member this year. For those that haven't, we would officially like to invite you to become both a UASSP and an NASSP member for the 2022-23 school year. Information about the benefits of being a member can be found at the following link: [Benefits of being a member of UASSP](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=3881c6dcec&e=77161a8d36)To become a member go to [uassp.org](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=2159f07a47&e=77161a8d36) under "membership." Don't forget to join UASC as well (found in the same membership section on the website). The cost to join is $85 per school and will give your student leaders opportunities to participate in many collaborative activities throughout the year. If you have questions about UASC, please contact Melissa Judy at melissa.judy@ssanpete.org or Charisse Hilton at charisse.hilton@csddocs.org.4.**Legislative Council 2022-23**We appreciate our UASSP members that are serving on the Legislative Council this year. Our goal is to "Connect and Communicate" with local and state school board members and legislators. Members of the Council this year are:Braxton Bateman - Kanab Middle School (Kane)David Cluff - Milford High School (Beaver)JoLynn Ford - Mapleton Junior High (Nebo)Quentin Linde - Murray High School (Murray)Kayce May-Riches - Green River High School (Emery)James Maughan - Oquirrh Hills Middle School (Jordan)Brenda McCann - Union Middle School (Canyons)Tyrell Mikesell - Mountain Green (Morgan)Phillip Morris - Green Canyon High School (Cache)Asa Nielsen - Willowcreek Middle School (Alpine)Jarod Sites - Provo High School (Provo)5. **Book of the Month**Our Book of the Month is *Dare to Lead*by Brene' Brown. Check out the book review by UASSP Executive Board Member Ryan McGuire on the [uassp.org](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=8466ea830a&e=77161a8d36) website. This is a must read for school administrators!6. **Administrative Spotlight**Congratulations to David Knudsen and his team at Valley View Middle School for being our Administrative Spotlight. Nebo District Secondary Supervisor RaShel Shepherd said, "*They are the first middle school in Nebo to use a standard based grading system. Dave is an outstanding instructional leader and a positive culture builder. They are a very collaborative school and are committed to building meaningful relationships with their students. They also focus on deep learning, rigor and relevance."* To find out more about the many things happening at VVMS to help students be successful, go to [uassp.org](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=55b93b5d94&e=77161a8d36). 7. **Assistant Principals Conference**Our AP Conference is on November 9 at The Gardens at Thanksgiving Point. We are excited to hear about current educational legal issues from Heidi Alder. We will also learn from the co-author of the *Crucial Conversation*series, Al Switzler, and his colleague from *Crucial Learning,* Steve Willis. There will be a principal panel, collaboration opportunities, a motivational speaker, great food, prizes, and more! Register now on the [uassp.org](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=3e9139fca7&e=77161a8d36) website. Watch for more information.8. **Principals and Assistant Principal of the Year**It is time to begin the process of naming the High School and Middle School Principal of the Year and the Secondary Assistant Principal of the Year for 2023. Doug Webb, HS Principal of the Year, Mindy Robison, MS Principal of the Year, and Mike Felix, AP of the Year are doing a great job representing Utah as the 2022 winners. Our new winners will be announced at the Mid-Winter Conference in January. If you would like to nominate someone for POY or APOY, please email rhonda.bromley@uassp.org with the following information: (Note: In order to be eligible, they have to have been in their position for at least three years, not counting this year. Same position, not necessarily the same school. Example: someone may have been a high school principal at three different high schools over the past 12 years but this is their first year at their current school. They would be eligible.)**Name of Nominee:****Name of Current School:****Position:****# of Years in Position (does't have to be at the same school):****A paragraph about why you believe they should be awarded the POY/APOY:****Nominations are due on Friday, October 7**. Finalists will be notified about additional information that will be needed to advance in the process. 9. **Leadership Development Community of Practice**After receiving feedback from administrators across the state, Rachel Colledge and her colleagues from USBE have put together a School Leadership Development opportunity. There are many sessions offered over the next several months. See this [flier](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=907da045a8&e=77161a8d36) for more information. If you have any questions, contact Rachel at Rachel.Colledge@schools.utah.gov.10. **Middle School Student Leadership Conference**Middle School Administrators - Please pass this information on to your student leadership advisors. We are having TWO Middle School Conferences this year in two different areas in the state. They will both be on Saturdays from 8:30 AM - 1 PM and will include lunch. We have great speakers and classes lined up for your middle school student leaders. October 8 is at Bountiful High School and October 15 is at Gunnison High School. Register now at the following link:[Middle School Student Leadership Conference](https://uassp.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=77f503ba158804aa40a5c2292&id=62ec05d6b6&e=77161a8d36)One month down and it has already been a great year at our secondary schools in Utah. Thank you for your focus on students and how we can continue to help them be successful. If you have any questions, feedback or concerns, please let us know. Rhonda |

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