

UTAH ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

September 8, 2025

Secondary Administrators,

We are off to a good start this school year. I had the opportunity to meet with the district superintendents in the state this morning. Between our district/school leaders, as well as teachers and staff in our buildings, our secondary students in Utah are in great hands!

Make sure all of the administrators in your building are receiving this email. Let me know if someone is not on the list, then forward them this update. Thank you.

Please make note of the following:

1. UASSP Impact E-Magazine Summer/Back to School Edition

We appreciate Julie Barlow for doing such a great job in putting our Impact E-Magazine together. In this edition you will find:

A. Leading With Focus: Your North Star

by UASSP President Ryan McGuire

B. Where Are We? Go and See the Work!

by Dr. David Boren

C. Is Your School Great?

by Quinn Kellis

D. Nurturing Greatness in Every Student: Practical Approaches for Utah Secondary School Leaders

by Cecily Yeager

E. From Multitasking to Monotasking: Leading a School One Thing at a Time

by Grant Cotterell

F. Beyond the Bell: Building a Year that Counts

by Terri Howell

G. From the Editor

H. Meet our new UASSP Board Members, Summer and Back to School Reviews, and More!!

The Impact E-Magazine is available as a flip or as a pdf. See the following links:

Impact Summer/Back to School pdf Impact Summer/Back to School Flip

2. UASSP Membership

If you haven't yet done so, it is time to register for UASSP and NASSP for the 2025-26 school year. This applies to both new members as well as those that have been members in the past. You can either join online, or print a hard copy and mail it to the address below. For information on the benefits of being a member, please see the following:

Why Join UASSP/NASSP and UASC?

We appreciate the support of the Superintendents in encouraging administrators in their districts to join. When I attended their meeting today, I learned that they have 100% membership in their organization. Let's shoot for 100% as well. Join at the following link:

UASSP/NASSP/UASC Membership Registration

UASSP 420 E. South Temple, Suite 390 Salt Lake City, UT 84111

We are excited that you will be part of our professional organization.

3. September Power Hour

Every month we host a Power Hour, which is an opportunity for secondary administrators to come together virtually for one hour and learn from an expert. Our guest for the September Power Hour is our new **State Superintendent, Dr. Molly Hart**. She is excited to introduce herself to us and talk about her vision for education in Utah. It will be held on **Wednesday, September 24 at 9 AM**. **If you would like a link to join the Power Hour, please email rhonda.bromley@uassp.org.**

4. Secretary Conference 2025

We love bringing the secondary secretaries together every fall to celebrate them. This year, the conference is on October 1 at The Barn at Thanksgiving Point. The theme is *Utah Secondary Secretaries are Out of this World!* Please encourage your secretaries to register at the following link:

<u>Secretaries' Conference Invitation</u> <u>Secretaries' Conference Registration</u>

As part of the conference, we recognize the state Secretaries of the Year. If you have someone you would like to nominate, please fill out the following form. **Nominations are due this Friday, September 12**. We have amazing secondary secretaries in Utah!

Secretary of the Year Nomination Form

5. Principals and Assistant Principals of the Year

The national time frame for honoring both principals and assistant principals of the year has been moved up this year. Nominations are now open for high school and middle level principals and assistant principals of the year. Winners will be announced at the Mid-Winter Conference in January. If you would like to nominate someone for POY or APOY, please fill out the following forms. (Note: In order to be eligible, the nominee has to have to have been in their position for at least three years, not counting this year. Same position, not necessarily at the same school. For example: someone may have been a high school principal at three different high schools over the past 8 years but this is their first year at their current school - they would be eligible.) **Nominations are due Friday, September 26.**

Principal of the Year Nomination Form

Assistant Principal of the Year Nomination Form

5. Upcoming Conferences

Mark your calendars now for the following conferences: Assistant Principal's Conference - November 5 at Thanksgiving Point Mid-Winter Conference - January 26-28, 2026 in St. George Summer Conference - June 8-10, 2026 in Park City

We love your feedback. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help you be successful. We have amazing secondary administrators in Utah!

Rhonda #leadwithfocus

