



UTAH ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

October 5, 2025

Secondary Principals,

Happy National Principals Month! We are excited to celebrate your hard work and dedication to education. Thanks for your commitment to the secondary students in Utah. We have amazing principals leading the schools in this state. Thank you!

Please make note of the following:

1. Feedback from Power Hour with State Superintendent, Dr. Molly Hart

We appreciate our new State Superintendent, Dr. Molly Hart, for joining our Power Hour last week. She shared her three part vision/goals in her new role:

First - Bring together the different stakeholders about education in Utah.

Second - Raise the bar when it comes to knowledge of students.

Third - Assist USBE in providing the resources that educators need to help students be successful.

Dr. Hart answered questions and encouraged administrators to continue to reach out with questions or concerns. Her email address is Molly.Hart@schools.utah.gov.

We look forward to hearing from her again at our Mid-Winter Conference. Thank you Superintendent Hart!

2. Our *Out of this World* Secretary Conference

We had hundreds of our amazing secretaries join us this week for our annual Secretary Conference. We appreciate our UASC students for representing the secondary students in Utah, Caleb Shabestari from Alta High School for playing the National Anthem and representing the teachers in Utah, and Peter Glahn from the UASSP Board for representing the administrators in Utah. Students, Teachers and Administrators are all so grateful for our secretaries!

Thank you to our keynote speakers - Juston Osmond, Matt Pennington, Emily Traveller and Shaun Johnson, but especially thanks to our Secretaries! We love you!

3. Secretaries of the Year

As part of the conference, we announced the UASSP Secretaries of the Year. Congratulations to the following:

April Thompson - Specialty School Secretary of the Year - Davis Catalyst Center (Davis)
Lori Browne - Secondary Secretary of the Year - Weber School District Office (Weber)
Janie Moysh - Middle Level Secretary of the Year - Riverview Junior High (Murray)
Elaine Billings - High School Secretary of the Year - Orem High School (Alpine)

4. Utah Board of Education Meeting

The Utah Board of Education honored our UASSP Principals and Assistant Principals of the Year this week at their State Board Meeting. Shauna Haney (Ogden - HS POY), Matt Patterson (MVJH - ML POY), Jared Christensen (Delta - HS APOY), and ConnieTrue Simons (Midvale MS - ML APOY) did a great job representing the secondary administrators in Utah!

5. Assistant Principals Conference - November 5

Our annual AP Conference will be held on **November 5 at The Gardens** at Thanksgiving Point. The goals of the conference are to learn together, collaborate with each other, and to be motivated and inspired about your job. See the full agenda, including speaker bios in the update next week. Register now at uassp.org.

6. UASSP Legislative Council

Thanks to our UASSP Legislative Council for 2025-26:

Ryan Bishop - Wasatch High School (Wasatch)
Eric Christensen - Dixie High School (Washington)
Hannah Tindall Figueiredo - Polaris (Alpine)
Jo Lynn Ford - ALC (Nebo)
Shauna Haney - Ogden High School (Ogden)
James Maughan - Oquirrh Hills JH (Jordan)
Kayce-May Riches - Green River HS (Emery)
Philip Morris - Green Canyon HS (Cache)
Matt Patterson - Mountain View JH (Weber)
Brandt Shaw - North Layton JH (Davis)
Momi Tuua - Timpview High School (Provo)

7. UASSP Membership - Goal is 100%

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. Our goal is 100% membership this year. Join at the following link:

[UASSP/NASSP/UASC Membership Registration](#)

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8. Mark Your Calendars Now:

UASSP Mid Winter Conference - January 26-28, 2026 In St. George

UASSP Summer Conference - June 8-10, 2026 in Park City

Don't forget that **National School Lunch Week** is October 13-17. We appreciate the amazing lunch service workers we have at our secondary schools in Utah. Don't forget to thank the ones in your school.

Thanks for all that you do for the secondary students in Utah!

Rhonda

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