



## UTAH ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

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November 23, 2025

Secondary Principals,

Happy Thanksgiving! We are so grateful to have amazing administrators at our secondary schools in Utah.

Please make note of the following:

**1. Power Hour with Congressman Derrin Owens - December 3**

Our next Power Hour will be on December 3 from 10-11 AM. Our guest will be Utah Senator Derrin Owens. Senator Owens began his legislative service as a Representative in 2015. He is looking forward to speaking with us about the upcoming legislative session. He is anxious to listen to any concerns we have as well as answer questions. If you would like the link to the Power Hour, please email [rhonda.bromley@uassp.org](mailto:rhonda.bromley@uassp.org).

**2. Administrative Spotlight - Shelly Karen, Indian Hills Middle School**

Shelly Karen recently won the 2025 School Administrator of the Year Award in the Canyons School District. Every year, the Canyons Board of Education and Administration recognize stellar employees, volunteers and business partners with an Apex Award, which is the highest award presented in the district. Congratulations to Shelly! A link to the presentation can be found here:

[Shelly Karen Canyons Administrator of the Year](#)

**3. Upcoming UASSP Legislative Council**

The UASSP Executive Board and Legislative Council will meet on December 3 to vote on our Legislative Priorities for this year. In the past, we have voted to support the priorities of the JLC (Joint Legislative Committee - Superintendents, School Boards and Business Administrators), then voted on some additional priorities for UASSP. Please share feedback about both with Executive Board Members and/or Legislative Council members by November 28.

[JLC Priorities 2025-26](#)

[UASSP Executive Board](#)

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**4. UASSP Mid-Winter Conference**

Registration is open now for our annual UASSP Mid-Winter Conference. It will be held January 26-28,

2026 at the Dixie Conference Center in St. George. Some of our keynote speakers are: Dr. Molly Hart, Elizabeth Smart, Kirby Heybourne, and Ben Snyder. We will have a *Dealing with a Crisis* panel that will include administrators in the state. Our breakout sessions will include: UHSAA, AI for Administrators, Women in Leadership, Boot Camp for new Administrators, Administrator Burnout, Crisis Management, School Branding and more!!

Optional golf and pickleball will be available the morning of January 26. There will be an option to golf either 9 or 18 holes. The conference will begin that day with registration at 1:30 PM with the first general session at 3 PM. The conference will conclude on January 29 at 11:30 AM.

A complete agenda, including speaker bios will be available soon. Register now at [uassp.org](https://uassp.org).

Have a Happy Thanksgiving. Please take time to relax and enjoy time with family and friends. Refill your bucket to be ready for the busy holiday season at your school.

Thanks for all you do. Please see the following note of thanks from the NASSP CEO, Ronn Nozoe.

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Dear Amazing Utah Secondary School Leaders,

Thank you so much for the heroic work you do for children and families every day! As the pace and scale of change in our world continues to escalate, students and families need trusted, wholesome, and safe places of learning more than ever. I am grateful that you and your teams are leading these efforts. I am also thankful for the leadership and support that UASSP provides and hope you take advantage of the resources and offerings that the UASSP Board works so hard to provide. Best wishes for a Happy Holiday season and thank you again for all that you do for children and families!

Aloha,  
Ronn Nozoe  
CEO  
NASSP

 **Rhonda Bromley**  
Executive Director