



UTAH ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

September 13, 2026

Secondary Principals,

Our UASSP Principal and Assistant Principals of the Year were honored at the State Board of Education meeting last week. Mike Martini, Erin Stumo and Melissa Swenson are continuing to do a great job representing administrators in Utah.

Please note the following:

1. **POWER HOUR - THURSDAY AT 10 AM**

Our first Power Hour of the school year is this Thursday, September 17 at 10 AM. It is a one-hour virtual meeting. Our guest is **Ronn Nozoe**, Chief Executive Officer for the National Principals Association. We will learn about the changes within the National Association over the last several months. He will also share the initiatives NPA is focussing on this year and how they can help principals succeed. If you would like to join the one-hour virtual Power Hour, please email rhonda.bromley@uassp.org for the link.

[Ronn Nozoe - NPA CEO](#)

2. **FINAL WEEK TO NOMINATE A PRINCIPAL AND/OR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

This is the last week to nominate an administrator for Principal and Assistant Principal of the Year! It only takes a few minutes. Please complete the following forms. Note: To be eligible, the nominee must 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 THIS Friday, September 18.**

[Assistant Principal of the Year](#)

[Principal of the Year](#)

3. **SECRETARY CONFERENCE - OCTOBER 7**

Administrators, Please support and encourage your secretaries to attend the UASSP sponsored Secretary Conference. This year, the conference is on October 7 at The Show Barn at Thanksgiving Point. The theme is **Secretary Boot Camp: Tools, Tips and Teamwork**. Please see the following invitation, and encourage your secretaries to register at the following link:

[Secretary Conference Invitation](#)

[Secretary Conference Registration](#)

[Secretary Conference Agenda](#)

As part of the conference, we announce the state Secretaries of the Year. If you would like to nominate someone, please fill out the following form by **this Friday, September 18**. We have amazing secondary secretaries in Utah!

[Secretary of the Year](#)

4. CONNECT AND COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR LOCAL LEGISLATORS

If you haven't reached out to your local legislators yet, please do so. Invite him/her to a faculty social, a homecoming activity, a lunch with your leadership team, etc. Now is the time to establish those relationships so that when the session starts, you already have a good working relationship and can share important information back and forth. Because of these connections, we made an impact during last year's Legislative Session.

5. UASSP MEMBERSHIP

Our goal is 100% membership this year! If you haven't already done so, register for UASSP and NPA for the 2026-27 school year now. This applies to both new members and past members. You do not have to join both organizations. You can join online or print a hard copy and mail it to UASSP. For information on the benefits of being a member, please see the following:

[Why Join?](#)

[UASSP and NPA Membership Registration](#)

6. UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mark your calendars now for the following:

September 17 - UASSP Power Hour with NPA CEO Ronn Nozoe at 10 AM

October 7: UASSP Secretary Conference @ Thanksgiving Point in Lehi

November 4: UASSP Assistant Principal's Conference @ The Barn at Th Point

January 25-27 - UASSP Mid-Winter Conference @ Dixie Conference Center

Secondary schools in Utah did some amazing things this past week on September 11, the National Day of Service and Remembrance. It was great to see so many students in Utah honoring and remembering those who died while also engaging in service and charitable opportunities. Thank you for your role in helping with those important events.

Rhonda

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