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Virginia Principal Elected to National Presidency!

Congratulations to Dr. Nancy Davenport for her Successful Bid for NAESP President



Dr. Nancy Davenport

President-Elect, National Association of Elementary School Principals

VAESP proudly congratulates Dr. Nancy Davenport on her election to President-elect of the National Association of Elementary School Principals. We are confident she will lead our national organization with the same passion for excellence that has characterized her distinguished career in the field of education. In addition to serving as principal of Kingston Elementary in Virginia Beach, she has been a prominent member of the VAESP and NAESP Board of Directors for numerous years. We are truly honored to have her represent Virginia on a national level.

A Message from Your NAESP President-Elect

“What an incredible honor it is to represent you as NAESP’s President-Elect, beginning July 1, 2007, and ultimately as President in 2008-2009! I extend a heartfelt THANK YOU for your support in the recent election. Let me assure you that I find it quite humbling to represent hundreds of incredibly talented, experienced, and intelligent school administrators who deeply care about our profession, education and what is best for children!”

I pledge to do my very best to represent the members of VAESP and NAESP. Please feel free to share your ideas, needs, and concerns with me so that I can represent you and the principalship in a positive and constructive manner during my tenure on the NAESP Board of Directors.

Your voice, my voice: TOGETHER we can and will influence the future!”

Congratulations to our new NDP—Susan Reynolds!



Susan Reynolds, principal of Herman L. Horn Elementary in Roanoke County, was “crowned” National Distinguished Principal at a surprise ceremony on April 30, 2007. The ceremony was attended by Roanoke County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Lorraine S. Lange, Roanoke School Board Chairwoman Marion Roark and Member Mike Stovall, VAESP Executive Director Thomas L. Shortt, and many others. VAESP is proud to have an administrator of Ms. Reynolds’

caliber to represent the Commonwealth on a national level. We would also like to congratulate Carole Hastings, Leavina G. Lee, Alicia Spencer, and Bambi Lynn Thompson for being nominated for this honor.

Welcome Aboard!



VAESP would like to congratulate **Mrs. Susan Bridges**, principal of A. G. Richardson Elementary in Culpeper County, on her election to the VAESP Board of Directors. Mrs. Bridges will serve as the **Central Zone Director** from 2007-2009. She will join the Board at the VAESP Leadership Retreat this July in Charlottesville, VA.

Mark your calendar for **VAESP’s 2007 Annual Principals Conference!** The conference will be held October 31–November 2, 2007 at the Williamsburg Marriott. Keynote speakers include **Kathleen Mehfoud, Billy Cannaday, John Antonetti, and Crystal Kuykendall.**