



School Administrators Alliance

Representing the Interests of Wisconsin School Children

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SAA Endorses State Superintendent Tony Evers for Re-Election

MADISON — The School Administrators Alliance (SAA), an organization that represents more than 4,000 public school principals, special education directors, business officials and superintendents throughout Wisconsin, has endorsed the re-election of Tony Evers for state superintendent of public instruction.

A product of Wisconsin public schools, Evers has spent more than 40 years in public education, fighting for and supporting the state's children as a teacher, principal, district administrator, CESA director, deputy state superintendent and, after his election in 2009, state superintendent. Evers is the proud parent of public school graduates and the grandparent of children currently attending public schools in the state.

During his two terms, State Superintendent Evers has fought for all children and worked to bring people of all political persuasions together around our shared values for strong public schools. In one of the most difficult political environments in Wisconsin history, he led the fight against unprecedented cuts in state funding for school children and the radical expansion of private school vouchers. He also created and championed a bold school finance reform plan that fixes the most significant problems in the state's existing school finance system, protects taxpayers and promotes local control.

At the same time, Evers has found common ground with leaders across the political spectrum to improve early childhood reading, focus on career and technical education and enhance the effectiveness of Wisconsin educators.

"In Wisconsin, the state superintendent, as a constitutional officer, is elected to protect and advance our great system of public education in the state," said John Forester, director of government relations for the SAA. "The members of the SAA endorsed Tony Evers for state superintendent in 2009 and 2013, and we are again proud to endorse him for reelection in 2017. Tony Evers is a proven educational leader who can unify diverse groups from across the state, challenge the status quo and move the interests of children forward. He is the SAA's clear choice to be Wisconsin's chief advocate for school children over the next four years."

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The SAA is an alliance of the Association of Wisconsin School Administrators (AWSA), Wisconsin Association of School Business Officials (WASBO), Wisconsin Association of School District Administrators (WASDA), Wisconsin Association of School Personnel Administrators (WASPA) and Wisconsin Council of Administrators of Special Services (WCASS). It advocates on behalf of school leaders in their efforts to strengthen Wisconsin's national leadership in education to ensure that the state's children receive the highest-quality education possible.