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A message from the President...



President Judy Tanner discusses the influence of teacher quality on achievement gaps while at an ASCD Leadership training.

Belonging to a professional organization is imperative for education professionals in the 21st Century! Keeping up with current trends and issues in education keeps us in touch with critical issues, which impact teaching and learning on a day-to-day basis. It is the goal of the NMASCD Executive Board to provide cutting-edge support and information on current best practices, and professional development for our members.

The NMASCD web page is being updated and will include links to many educational sites which will be helpful to our members as they plan their daily lessons. Additionally, we hope to organize monthly "chats" which will include topics such as the Pro-

fessional Development Dossier process and data driven decision making.

As the newly elected president of NMASCD, I welcome your input and hope that you become involved in the organization! My e-mail address is judith_tanner@hotmail.com. You will be receiving a survey in the next newsletter which will help us to make decisions about our "next steps". Please take the time to fill out the survey and get it back to us, so we can be YOUR professional organization! We need your support and involvement!

*Wishing you a wonderful year...
Judy Tanner*

Administrator of the Year – James Gallegos



Mr. James Gallegos was selected to receive the New Mexico Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development's Administrator of the Year Award. Mr. Gallegos is currently working as an Assistant Superintendent/Principal/Special Education Director for the Cimarron School District in Cimarron, New

Mexico. He was nominated for this prestigious award due to his expertise in school budgeting, curriculum and instruction, staffing, and leadership for student achievement. James is the immediate past president of NMASCD, and has recently been elected to serve on the Nomination Committee of ASCD International. In addition, James will serve as the President of New Mexico Coalition of School Administrators for 2006-2007.

A colleague shared this about James: "As a colleague and mentor,

Mr. Gallegos is a large part of why I am still a principal. He is a good listener, and is able to make innovative suggestions in a supportive manner. James is a good role model and provides materials and professional development for his staff. He supports innovation and life-long learning." In addition, his colleagues recognize James' ability to demonstrate and implement visionary leadership in the school and the district. As a leader that is innovative in spirit and practice, Mr. Gallegos has earned the award of administrator of the year.

NMASCD VISITS NM CONGRESSMEN

In September, NMASCD President Dr. Judy Tanner and Executive Director Dr. Chris Milyard participated in "Day on the Hill" where they met with key staff members of N.M. Senators and Representatives.

The visits allowed Tanner and Milyard to share the legislative priorities of ASCD for the upcoming session. In addition, they were able to focus on the need for the U.S. Congress and the U.S. Department of Education to allow for the use of multiple measures of assessment for evaluating student

growth and performance. They spoke specifically to the negative impact of a single measure of assessment on the diverse student population in New Mexico.

The need for funding early childhood programs, and continuing to address the achievement gap in our state were topics also discussed. NMASCD will continue to work with state and national legislators to engage in ongoing dialogue regarding educational legislation and to act as a resource to them.



NMASCD Executive Director, Chris Milyard, Representative Tom Udall, and NMASCD President Judy Tanner discuss the impact on NCLB assessment requirements on the diverse student population in New Mexico.

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IMPORTANT DATES

2006

10/26-28

2006 EANM Annual Conference; An Abundance of EE in a Time of Drought. Seville National Wildlife Refuge, near Socorro, NM. Visit: www.eeanm.org for scholarship application and/or registration form.

10/26-28

Materials Science and Nanotechnology Workshop for Middle and High School Science and Math Teachers, New Mexico Highlands University, Las Vegas, NM. Contact: Vannetta R. Perry, Ed.D. PO Box 158, San Antonio, NM 87832, or call: 505.835.0189, or E-mail: vperry@nmt.edu.

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2006 NMSTA/NMCTM State Conference. Contact: Mary Jo Daniel, Spectrum Editor, PO Box 30304, Albuquerque, NM 87190; E-mail: daniel@aps.edu or Web site: <http://www.nmsta.org>.

11/10-11

NMAESP Fall Conference. Hotel Encanto, Las Cruces, NM. Call 505.522.4300 for lodging reservations. For more information call 505.532.9158 or E-mail krwoods@zianet.com.

11/10-12

NM Art Education Association Conference. The Lodge at Santa Fe, NM. Contact: Stephanie Spanier at 505.982-8975 or E-mail: NMARTED@hotmail.com.

11/10-12

8th Annual Recycle Santa Fe Art Festival. El Museo Cultural, Santa Fe, NM. For more information please visit: www.recyclesantafe.org. To receive a lesson plan or for questions, please contact Sarah Pierpont at 505.603-0558 or E-mail at skpierpont@yahoo.com.

2007

2/9-10

Southwest Branch of the International Dyslexia Association Conference, Albuquerque, Convention Center, Albuquerque. Contact: SWIDA at 505.225.8234 or swida@southwestida.com.

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2007 Annual Spring NMAEYC Conference. Albuquerque Convention Center, Albuquerque, NM. Contact: Bobbie Bailey toll free at 1.877.744.kids or 505.823.1351 or 505.823.0975 or E-mail at: DRBailey2@aol.com for more information.

4/11-14

National Council of Social Studies Regional Conference, Embassy Suites, Albuquerque. Contact: Pat Graff, E-mail: PGraff@aol.com or Peggy Jackson, E-mail: psjj2849@aol.com.

5/13-19

Intel International Science and Engineering Fair. Albuquerque Convention Center. For more information visit www.intelisef2007.org or E-mail Jeanette Miller at jeanette@gotoif.org.

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EDUCATOR ADVOCATE

We need your help! Please sign up to become an Educator Advocate.

Congress is making education policy decisions that affect you, your local schools, and your students. Do not let Congress make decisions without the critical information you can provide. You can help them, and they will welcome your input.

As an Educator Advocate, you will receive e-mail alerts

when your action

can make a critical difference. We will

provide the materials and information

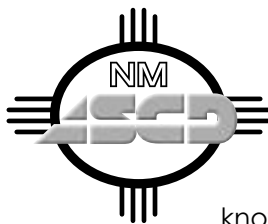
to make sure your advocacy time will

be minimal,

but your influence will be significant.

To sign up go to: www.ascd.org/actioncenter. Click on the area on the right hand side that says "Join ASCD Educator Advocate. It will take only 2 minutes to sign up.

NMASCD MISSION STATEMENT



The New Mexico Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (NMACSD), a diverse and innovative organization, cultivates educational leadership capacity – advancing knowledge through current research, best practices and shared professional development – which ultimately enhances the learning of all New Mexico students.

OBJECTIVES

100% of NM educational leaders will be active members of NMACSD. Each NMACSD member will demonstrate an increased capacity for educational leadership. Each member will identify NMACSD as the premier source for:

- Cutting-edge research
- Current best practices
- Quality professional development, and
- Statewide networking and ongoing communication.

Each NMACSD member will positively impact student achievement.

STRATEGIES

1. We will develop and implement a creative marketing plan to build membership and effectively communicate organizational activities and issues.
2. We will develop and implement a long-range plan for professional development opportunities to ensure our members stay current with cutting edge research and best practices.
3. We will cultivate educational leadership by identifying and sharing processes that demonstrate increased student achievement.



Searching for Writers

NMACSD Newsletter is searching for articles on best practices in educating New Mexico's students. Please send articles of 400-600 words to :

Dr. Chris Milyard
cmilyard@nmsu.edu
(505) 382-1282

If your article is selected for publication you will receive a complementary one year membership in NMACSD.

Return this portion and check payable to NMACSD to:

Sheila Hartman, Secretary to the Executive Director
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Conference / Program

Board Member Activities

New Mexico Contact

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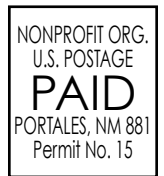
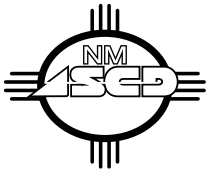
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