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PA Education Leaders to Hold Advocacy Day 2019 in Harrisburg

(Harrisburg, PA) — A delegation of principals, education leaders and staff from the **Pennsylvania Principals Association**, the **Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators (PASA)** and the **Pennsylvania Association of Rural and Small Schools (PARSS)** will participate in **PA Education Leaders Advocacy Day 2019 (#paadvocacyday19) on Tuesday, June 18 at the Capitol Building in Harrisburg, Pa.**, to meet with legislators to address several important issues that are at the forefront of education in the commonwealth. These include: Increasing Basic Education Funding/Special Education Funding/Early Childhood Funding; Revising Act 82: Principal and Teacher Evaluations; Supporting Pre-K Education; Supporting Changes to Pennsylvania's Compulsory School Attendance Ages; and Supporting and Funding Career and Technical Education.

“Once again, we are pleased to join with PASA and PARSS for this year’s PA Education Leaders Advocacy Day at the Capitol. It is exceedingly important that numerous school principals and superintendents will be meeting with our state legislators to discuss the important issues facing our public schools. We continue to be concerned about the inadequate amount of basic education funding as Pennsylvania ranks 46th in the nation in terms state share of support for public education,” said Dr. Joseph Clapper, Assistant Executive Director, PA Principals Association.

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A rally is scheduled for 12 p.m. on the Main Rotunda Steps where members and staff from these three organizations will speak on behalf students in Pennsylvania schools and public education. Speakers from the PA Principals Association include Brian Blaum, principal at Delaware Valley High School in the Delaware Valley School District; and Dr. David Keibler, principal at David Leech Elementary School in the Leechburg Area School District.

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About the PA Principals Association: The PA Principals Association membership of approximately 3,800 is comprised of elementary, middle level and secondary school principals, assistant principals and other educational leaders and is affiliated with the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) and the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

The Mission of the Pennsylvania Principals Association: *To ensure a quality education for every child by comprehensively supporting the educational leaders of our schools.*

The Vision of the Pennsylvania Principals Association: *To be the best service organization of its kind in the United States.*