Dr. Bill Ziegler Named President of the Pennsylvania Principals Association

(Harrisburg, Pa.) — Dr. Bill Ziegler, principal of Pottsgrove High School in the Pottsgrove School District, was recently named President of the Pennsylvania Principals Association (formerly the Pennsylvania Association of Elementary and Secondary School Principals, PAESSP), headquartered in Summerdale, Pa.

Dr. Ziegler assumed his new position on the PA Principals Association Board of Directors following the yearly business meeting held October 20, 2015 during its 23rd annual state conference in State College. He most recently served the association as President-Elect in addition to serving as the 2013-14 President.

Dr. Ziegler has also held the positions of Immediate Past President, Treasurer and as the East-III Secondary Regional Representative. He has been a member of the PA Principals Association and the National Association of Secondary Principals (NASSP) for 13 years, and served on the NASSP Publication Advisory Council from 2007-2009.

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"I am honored and excited to represent principals throughout this great Commonwealth. The Pennsylvania Principals Association is such an outstanding organization for principals as they navigate the waters of being an effective school leader. The PA Principals Association is committed to supporting principals so they can help every student find success in learning," said Dr. Ziegler.

Dr. Ziegler began his education career in 1994 as a social studies teacher at Pottstown High School in the Pottstown School District. From 1998-2002, he served as the assistant principal of Pottstown High School in the Pottstown School District, and from 2002-2007, he served as the assistant principal of Pottsgrove High School in the Pottsgrove School District. He was principal of Pottsgrove Middle School from 2007-2013 before assuming his current position as principal of Pottsgrove High School.

Dr. Ziegler is active in his community as well. He was president of the Montgomery County Principals Association from 2008-2010, currently serves on the board of Trinity Church and serves on the Alumni Board of Montgomery County Community College. Additionally, he volunteered his time to teach GED classes to parents in the Pottsgrove community.

He has been an adjunct professor in graduate education at Temple University since 2007 and has served as a representative for NASSP on the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) Congressional Panel for the E-RATE Program. In addition, Dr. Ziegler’s article, “Developing Teacher Leadership Capacity,” was published in NASSP’s Principal Leadership magazine in April 2012. His articles have been published in Principal Leadership multiple times. Most recently, he was selected as a NASSP Digital Principal for 2015, an award that honors principals who exhibit bold, creative leadership in their drive to harness the potential of new technologies to further learning goals. Dr. Ziegler was also honored to serve on the American Principal Team at the Great Leaders’ Summit in China where he provided professional development to over 4,000 Chinese principals on digital leadership.

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Dr. Ziegler received a bachelor’s degree in education from Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, a master’s degree in education from Gratz College and a doctorate in educational leadership from Temple University. He received his Principal’s Certificate from The Pennsylvania State University.

He resides in Boyertown, Pa., with his wife, Kim, and their two children.

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About the Pennsylvania Principals Association:
The Pennsylvania 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.