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Dear PA Principals Members,

I am writing this letter to ask for your support for the position of Pennsylvania Principals Association Regional Representative for East III - Elementary. No principal can - or should - do anything in isolation. That is why I want to work together to support principals and educational leaders across Region III and across all of Pennsylvania. With your support, I will work collaboratively to lead on key educational issues that support our profession and the students we serve.

I believe that a principal is not a position at the peak of a triangle, rather it exists at the nexus of relationships and interactions among students, teachers, support staff, families, district leaders and even state standards. My belief and my commitment to relational leadership is why I am proud to be an active member of our Pennsylvania Principals Association. Our profession is stronger and more effective when we work together.

As your Regional Representative, I will draw on my established relationships from across Pennsylvania. I grew up in York County as the son of a public school teacher and I completed my undergraduate education at East Stroudsburg University. Connections from those times continue to shape me today. Currently, I am a doctoral student and an adjunct professor at Lehigh University. I serve as a facilitator for our state's induction program with Pennsylvania Inspired Leadership (PIL) and as a mentor principal with the National Institute of School Leadership (NISL). These professional networks will help me to collaborate with principals and educational leaders to support our profession, our schools, and our students - now and for years to come.



Every day, we experience many issues that are pressing on our profession. From staffing shortages to inequitable funding to navigating appropriate technology use in education to the emotional health of Pennsylvania's students, school staffs, and yes... principals. We chose educational leadership because we care deeply about schools and students and communities. Unfortunately, the current climate of education is very unsettled. We need strong leadership, now.

Moving forward, I can bring that leadership to our East III region and I can partner with all of our other Pennsylvania Principals Association Regional Representatives. As the Regional Representative for East III - Elementary, I will focus on the nexus of relationships, I will draw on years of educational experience and professional connections, and I will advocate for a bold future for education in Pennsylvania. My goal is clear; to work together with principals and educational leaders across the Commonwealth to support our schools and the school experiences of all of our Pennsylvania students.

Please support me for Regional Representative for East III - Elementary.

Sincerely,

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