



Greene County Schools Superintendent Dr. Patrick Miller was awarded the 2020 Raymond Sarbaugh Leadership Award on Monday during the NC Association of School Administrators' (NCASA) 2020 School Law & Policy Symposium, a virtual event. The Sarbaugh Leadership Award, named after NCASA's first full-time Executive Director, is given annually to an NCASA member who serves as a leader amongst school leaders. Dr. Miller was presented the award in recognition of his leadership in numerous statewide efforts focused on ensuring quality learning experiences throughout North Carolina public schools.

"Dr. Miller's advocacy for students and his colleagues stretches well beyond his home county, across the state and even the nation, since he represents North Carolina on the Governing Board of AASA, our national organization for superintendents," said NCASA Executive Director

Katherine Joyce, in presenting the award. "His contributions at the state level also are significant and plentiful, and he is truly deserving of this recognition as a leader among his peer school leaders in North Carolina."

Dr. Miller is a past president of NCASA and current President of the NC School Superintendents' Association (NCSSA). He also has served on the board of the Central Carolina Regional Education Service Alliance (RESA) and as an advisor on the State Board of Education. His leadership has made a significant impact at the state level, in which his work with the Professional Educator Preparation and Standards Commission (PEPSC) and the Governor's Commission on Access to a Sound Basic Education brought forward numerous recommendations and policies for positive changes throughout public schools. His willingness to weigh in on education policy issues in a timely and effective manner, as well as his assistance to his school administrator colleagues, has undoubtedly helped move public education in North Carolina to the next level.

Other examples of his tireless leadership include but are not limited to: serving on the Boys and Girls Club of the Coastal Plain Regional Board and starting the first chapter of the Boys and Girls Club in Greene County, serving on the Eastern North Carolina Employers and Superintendents Council, and serving on board of the NC Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (NCASCD).

Miller earned his bachelor's degree in music education at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1993 and began working that year as a choral music and theatre arts teacher in his home county at Greene Central High School. While working as an educator, Miller earned master's and doctoral degrees from East Carolina University. After completing his North Carolina Principal Fellowship in 2005, he was named Principal of West Greene Elementary School. He was named Superintendent of Greene County Schools in 2008 and was selected as the 2019 A. Craig Phillips North Carolina Superintendent of the Year.

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