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Michael E. Allison Elected to Lead State Principals Association

(Harrisburg, Pa.) — Michael E. Allison, Principal of Hopewell High School in the Hopewell Area School District, Aliquippa, PA, is the **2018-2020 President of the Pennsylvania Principals Association**. He will serve a two-year term.

Mr. Allison has been a member of the PA Principals Association for over 20 years. He most recently served on the Board of Directors as President-Elect. He is a Past President of the PA Principals Association (PAESSP), having served in that role from 2007-2008. He was also the West II Secondary Regional Representative on the PA Principals Association Board of Directors for three years. In addition, he served the state association as President-Elect, Treasurer and as a member of the conference committee for several years.

In 2010, Mr. Allison was elected to serve a four-year term on the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) Board of Directors. He was elected to serve as the NASSP President-Elect in 2014, and he served as the NASSP President from 2015-2016. Mr. Allison is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) High School Review Committee, the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) Board of Directors and a long-time member of the Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic League (WPIAL) Board of Directors, currently serving as WPIAL treasurer.

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Our mission is to ensure a quality education for every child by comprehensively supporting the educational leaders of our schools.

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"In leading a successful public high school, I have a strong belief in servant leadership and in extending myself to the students, staff and school community whom I serve. I intend to continue to bring this same ethos to serving the principals of Pennsylvania! Our school leaders need to understand that they are not in this business of educating students and leading school alone. Our continued focus will be on serving PA Principals and supporting their needs through our four *Signature Services* [Professional Development/Training; Act 93 Support/Information; Legislative Influence/Lobbying Efforts; and Legal Support/Professional Advice] and assisting them in ensuring a quality education for every child in their school and in Pennsylvania," shared Mr. Allison.

In 2013, Mr. Allison received the Joseph Mamana Meritorious Service Award from the PA Principals Association. This award is presented to a member who has performed meritorious service to the association and its members, has made significant contributions to the professional advancement of principals and who displays the personal characteristics of dedication and commitment to the profession through participation in the association.

According to Paul M. Healey, Ph.D., Executive Director, Pennsylvania Principals Association, "Michael Allison brings a wealth of knowledge as the President of the PA Principals Association. He has served in leadership roles on our board in the past, and has also been the President of NASSP. This experience, coupled with his familiarity with both state and national issues, will serve our members well over the next two years. We are delighted to welcome him back to the board."

Mr. Allison began his career in education at the South Side Middle School/High School, where he served as a teacher for 10 years. He has been at Hopewell Area School District since 1998, serving as assistant principal before becoming principal in 2000.

Mr. Allison earned a bachelor of science degree from Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, a master's of education degree from Franciscan University of Steubenville and an elementary principal certification from Westminster College/Youngstown State University. He was also a member of the Interdisciplinary Doctoral Program for Educational Leaders (IDPEL) Cohort 2003 at Duquesne University.

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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.*