

Candidate Statement Dr. Jennifer Alexander-Ade



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NYCESPA Interim President-Elect / Gray Fellows 2020

I am truly honored to be on the ballot for the position of President-Elect of the New York City Elementary School Principals Association. As an elementary school principal for the past 18 years—and currently serving as Interim President-Elect—I bring both experience and a deep understanding of the challenges and responsibilities we face every day.

From staffing shortages to unexpected crises, I understand firsthand the demands of school leadership. More importantly, I understand the critical role elementary schools play in shaping the foundation of every child's educational journey. Throughout my career, I have remained committed to fostering inclusive, high-achieving learning environments while supporting the growth and well-being of students and educators alike.

As President-Elect, I will continue advocating for elementary school leaders by ensuring our voices are heard, valued, and amplified. My priorities include:

- Growing our membership—because there is strength in unity
- Elevating the voice of elementary schools—because our needs are unique
- Expanding our visibility by highlighting and celebrating the incredible work happening in our schools each day

One of the greatest strengths of NYCESPA is the professional development and networking opportunities we provide across the city. I will continue championing meaningful learning opportunities focused on relevant issues such as Generative AI in elementary schools, student engagement in the digital age, and principal wellness. As school leaders, we pour into others daily, and we must also prioritize self-care to sustain our leadership and effectiveness.

I would be honored to earn your vote and continue serving and advocating for our elementary school community. Thank you for your leadership, your dedication, and all that you do for children each day.