

2010-11 WASA PRESIDENT-ELECT CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

JOEL AUNE

**Superintendent
Snoqualmie Valley School District**



GOALS IF ELECTED TO SERVE:

- Serve and support all WASA members in a highly personalized fashion.
- Aggressively advocate for public education and the funding to support continued improvement of our schools.
- Develop and deliver professional development that is aligned with member needs and bolsters leadership capacity.
- Strengthen the WASA Corporate Partners Program.
- Increase membership to strengthen and expand the WASA organization.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Superintendent of Schools, Snoqualmie Valley School District (2005–present)
- Superintendent of Schools, Colfax School District (1998–05)
- Elementary Principal, Walla Walla School District (1991–98)
- Assistant Principal, Walla Walla School District (1990–91)
- Assistant Principal, Cashmere School District (1989–90)
- Elementary and Middle School Teacher, Cashmere School District (1983–89)

EDUCATION:

- Superintendent’s Certification, Washington State University
- Masters of Arts in Education, Central Washington University
- Bachelor of Arts in Education, Eastern Washington University

WASA SERVICE:

- WASA Member, 12 years (1998–present)
- WASA Board Member (2007–09)
- WASA Membership State Committee Chair (2006–07 and 2007–08)
- WASA Board Member (2004–06)
- WASA School System Improvement Resource Guide Design Committee (2004)
- WASA Management Review Team Member (2003)
- NEWASA President (2002–03)
- NEWASA Superintendent’s Component Chair (2001–02)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND RECOGNITION:

- WASA Region 110 Award of Merit (2009)
- WASA Region 101 Award of Merit (2005)
- American Association of School Administrators
- Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
- Phi Delta Kappa
- Horace Mann League of the United States
- Northwest Regional Data Center Executive Committee (2007–present)
- WIAA Superintendent’s Advisory Committee (2008–present)
- Puget Sound ESD Superintendent’s Advisory Committee (2006–present)
- King County Superintendents President (2006–07)
- WSASCD Conference Planning Committee (2003–04)
- Blue Mountains Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa President (1997–98)
- WASA Presentations
 - o “Board-Superintendent Relations” WASA New Superintendent’s Workshop (2008)
 - o “Attracting, Selecting, and Retaining Blue-Chip Teachers,” WASA Small Schools Conference (2005)
 - o “School System Improvement Resource Guide,” WSSDA (2004), WASA Fall Conference (2004), WASA/AWSP Summer Conference (2004)
 - o Whitman County Leadership Academy for Administrators,” WASA Conference (2003)

MARK MANSELL

**Superintendent
La Center School District**



GOALS IF ELECTED TO SERVE:

- Listen to WASA membership.
- Leverage WASA resources to fight for ample funding for schools.
- Stand up against proponents of school consolidation efforts.
- Champion efforts to build into policy and laws the foundation of local control.
- Work to strengthen regional WASA associations by promoting effective strategies.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Superintendent, La Center School District (2005–Present)
- Superintendent, St. John-Endicott Cooperative Schools (2000–05)
- Superintendent/Principal, Mansfield School District (1998–00)
- Teacher, Technology Director, Grant Writer & Coach, Omak School District (1992– 98)
- Teacher & Coach, Athena-Weston School District, Oregon (1990– 92)

EDUCATION:

- Doctor of Education in Leadership, Washington State University, 2008
- Washington State Superintendent Credentials, Washington State University, 2001
- Masters of Arts in Educational Administration, Heritage College, 1997
- Bachelor of Arts in Education, Eastern Washington University, 1989
- Associate of Arts in General Studies, Spokane Falls Community College, 1987

WASA SERVICE:

- WASA Member, 12 years (1998–Present)
- WASA Board Member (2009–Present)
- Columbia River Region 112 President (2007–09)
- WASA Liaison to State Board of Education, Meaningful HS Diploma Task Force (2007–09)
- NEWASA President (2003–04)
- NEWASA Superintendents Component Chair, (2001–02)
- WASA Smalls Schools Committee Chair (1999–00)
- WASA Liaison to WSSDA Small Schools Committee (1999–00)
- Legislative & Finance Committee Member (1999–00, 2001–05 & 2006–Present)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND RECOGNITION:

- Washington State Board of Education CORE-24 Task Force Co-chair (2008–Present)
- Post Graduate Studies, Harvard University (2008–Present)
- Washington State Leadership Academy Participant
- Lions Club International Member
- ESD Superintendent Advisory Committee Member (ESD 171, 101 & 112)
- Clark County Skills Center Executive Advisory Board Member (2005–Present)
- ESD Advisory Committees (e.g. Risk Management, Special Education, Data Cooperatives, etc.)
- Whitman County Superintendent’s Group Chair (2001–03)
- Rural Education Center Member
- Rural Education Center Executive Board Chair (1999–01)
- Horace Mann League Member

Prior to the ballot distribution on July 1, members will receive candidate flyers in the mail early in June and have the opportunity to meet with and hear from candidates at the AWSP/WASA Summer Conference, June 27–29, 2010.