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## Superintendent Wayne Wormstadt Named Administrator of Excellence

(St. Paul, MN) – The Minnesota Association of School Administrators (MASA) has named Wayne Wormstadt, Superintendent of the Windom Area School District, a 2020 Administrator of Excellence. Wormstadt received this award in recognition of his leadership, concern for students, and active involvement in professional and community affairs. He was honored at a statewide recognition ceremony during the MASA/MASE Spring Conference, March 12-13, 2020, at the Minneapolis Marriott Northwest in Brooklyn Park.

Wormstadt has worked in public education for 20 years. He has served as Superintendent of the Windom Area School District (WASD) since 2008. Prior to joining WASD, Wormstadt served as Superintendent of the Canistota School District, Middle and High School Principal for the Timber Lake School District and Teacher, Activities Director and Coach for the Cresbard School District. Wormstadt began his career as a paraprofessional in the Mounds View School District.

In the past eight years, Wormstadt has led WASD in many achievements including: the introduction of part of a 25 district Flexible Learning Year Consortium; development of job embedded Professional Learning Communities; implementation of a 1-to-1 iPads technology program for K-12 students; and the development of SEAT (Special Education Assessment Team) for consistent evaluation of students. He also has lead the district in the renewal of a \$1332 per pupil operating referendum with 80% community approval and passed a bond referendum to construct new elementary and CTE addition to be completed during the 2020-21 school year.

Wormstadt is an active MASA and AASA member. He has served as a MASA Region 3 Leader and on the Federal Advocacy and Legislative Committees. His community involvement includes: the First United Methodist Pastor Parish Relations Committee, Windom Education Collaborative Center, Windom Kiwanis Member, Windom Chamber of Commerce Board Member, Founder of Windom Youth Football, and a volunteer coach for youth baseball, football and basketball.

Wormstadt earned a bachelor's degree in history and master's degree in administration from Northern State University and his specialist degree from the University of Sioux Falls.

Each year, MASA recognizes members for their contribution to public education. MASA is a professional organization of Minnesota's school leaders, including superintendents, assistant superintendents, directors of special education, and other central office administrators, as well as state department administrators, college and university professors, and other educators throughout Minnesota dedicated to educational leadership for students.

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