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## The Report

Fall 2013

### Washington Educators' Conference - A Huge Success



The WSASCD Board of Directors would like to thank the many WSASCD members who attended the Washington Educators' Conference on October 21-22. The partnership between WSASCD, AWSP, WASA and OSPI proved to be a winning combination with nearly 900 participants serving as either presenters, exhibitors or participants at the event! We plan to do it again next year, so stay tuned.

### WSASCD State Recognition Awards

#### Outstanding Young Educator Award - Dr. Suzann Girtz



Congratulations to Dr. Suzann Girtz, assistant professor at Gonzaga University, is the recipient of the Outstanding Young Educator Award (OYEA) for 2013. The Outstanding Young Educator Award recognizes an educator who achieves excellence in instructional leadership in teaching and learning. The award was accepted by Dr. Girtz, at the Washington Educators' Conference in Seattle in October. [Read more.](#)

#### Whole Child Awards

##### Healthy School Award – Martin Luther King Elementary

Martin Luther King Elementary is a recipient of the WSASCD Healthy Schools Award for 2013. The Healthy School Award is intended to recognize educator(s) who contribute to providing a healthy school where students learn about and practice a healthy lifestyle. The award was accepted by Principal Janell Ephraim and representatives of the staff at a school board meeting this fall. [Read more.](#)

##### Supported Students Award – Vancouver Home Connection

Congratulations to Vancouver Home Connection, the recipient of the WSASCD Supported Students Award for 2013. The Supported Students Award is intended to recognize educator(s) who contribute to providing a school where students have access to personalized learning and is supported by qualified, caring adults. The award was accepted by Principal Steve Lindblom and representatives of the staff at a school board meeting this fall. [Read more.](#)

### International ASCD News



#### Join us in Los Angeles for the ASCD Annual Conference

March 15–17, 2014

This year's conference will be hosted by ASCD President Dr. Becky Berg, who is the superintendent of the Marysville School District. We are so proud to have one of our own serving in this prestigious role at the national level! Please help us celebrate by attending the conference in LA! If you plan to attend, you are invited to a special Affiliate Reception on Saturday, March 15th from 4:30–6 p.m. at the JW Marriott at LA LIVE. [Register here.](#)

#### Did You Know?

Clock hours are available when you take online courses through ASCD or attend International ASCD professional development events. The forms are available on our website at [wasascd.org](http://wasascd.org) under 'ASCD Resources'

#### Upcoming Events

##### An Evening with Dr. Harvey Alvy

The Genius of the Gettysburg Address: Defining a Nation in 272 Words

Tuesday, November 19, 2013

Marysville School District  
Registration is not available online.

[Download registration form.](#)

##### Standards-Based Grading: Fair Isn't Always Equal - Rick Wormeli

Monday, January 6, 2014  
Summer High School  
Performing Arts Center  
8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

[Register here.](#)

##### Technology Institute - Jeff Utecht

A New Learning Landscape  
Saturday, February 8, 2014  
Gonzaga University  
8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.

[Register here.](#)

## Interested in Running for a Position on the International ASCD Board of Directors?

ASCD's Nominations Committee is seeking individuals to apply to run for a position on the Board of Directors in 2014. Qualifications and time commitment information is on the application. [Application form available here.](#)

The deadline for receipt of the completed application is November 30, 2013.

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## Opportunities with WSASCD Partners

### OSPI Reviewer Opportunities

Schedule for Both Reviews

Applications Due: November 12, 2013

Contract Start Date: January 20, 2014

In-person training: February 3, 2014

Open review period: February 3-March 3, 2014

Reviewers will be paid \$500 for services during the open review period. Substitute costs and travel compensation (determined based on the Consultant's city of residence) will be covered for the in-person training session.

#### \*Open Educational Resources (OER) Review

OSPI will conduct an OER review in January and February 2014. This review will examine openly licensed instructional material in Geometry / Integrated Math 2 and units in 9th and 10th grade English Language Arts for alignment with the Common Core State Standards.

[Read full solicitation document](#)

[Apply to be a reviewer](#)

Contact: Barbara Soots, OER Program Manager, [barbara.soots@k12.wa.us](mailto:barbara.soots@k12.wa.us)

#### \*Online Course Review

OSPI will also conduct a review of Algebra I online courses offered by OSPI-approved providers in January and February 2014 that will verify the alignment of the courses to the Common Core State Standards.

[Read full solicitation document](#)

[Apply to be a reviewer](#)

Contact, Leslie St. Pierre, Manager of Online Providers, [leslie.st.pierre@k12.wa.us](mailto:leslie.st.pierre@k12.wa.us)

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## Pearson is in need of teacher educators and accomplished teachers in the area of elementary education to score edTPA.

edTPA is designed for the profession by the profession. edTPA was developed by teachers and teacher educators from across the nation, in collaboration with faculty and staff from Stanford University, to support candidate learning and preparation program growth and renewal. Aligned with the Common Core State Standards and InTASC Standards, edTPA assesses teaching that promotes student learning in diverse contexts. edTPA is a subject-specific assessment of pedagogy, available in 27 teaching fields, that requires pre-service candidates to document and demonstrate that they can plan, teach, and assess major learning outcomes within their field of expertise.

Pearson is hiring teacher educators and accomplished teachers to score edTPA from a secure, private location such as home or office. Qualified candidates will complete training, pass a qualification and then score edTPA assessments. Scoring training includes about 20 hours of self-paced online modules and interactive web-based sessions, once qualified, scoring will begin. The system is available for online-training and scoring from 6 a.m.–11:59 p.m. CST seven days a week.

The position requires a part-time commitment, in addition to the following:  
Expertise in the subject matter or developmental level of the teaching field (degree and/or professional experience)

- Teaching experience in that field (or teaching methods or supervising student teachers in that field)
- Experience mentoring or supervising beginning teachers
- Scoring is currently underway and we would greatly appreciate your time to submit an application to participate.

Please [click here](#) to apply.

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## WSASCD Partner Spotlight



Many thanks to [Seattle Pacific University](#) (Center for Professional Education, School of Education, and Graduate Center) for their Gold Level partnership for 2013-14.

Do you want to become an educator with both the competence and the character to bring hope into the lives of students? Is it your goal to become a leader in making our schools work for all children, not just some children? Graduates of the School of Education at Seattle Pacific University are among today's most sought-after educators, expertly prepared to meet the challenges of their field and serve their communities. Our broad range of master's, doctoral, and certification programs prepare outstanding teachers, counselors, principals, superintendents, administrators, and other school leaders.

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