



Press Release: Superintendent Mr. Chad Beasley Named Region Seven Superintendent of the Year

Mr. Chad Beasley, Superintendent of Allegheny County Schools, was named the Region Seven Superintendent of the Year by the Northwest Regional Educational Service Alliance (NWRESA). The Northwest Regional Educational Service Alliance is led by Executive Director, Dr. Stewart Hobbs, and is a collaboration of the thirteen K-12 school districts in northwestern North Carolina. Mr. Beasley was selected from among his peers and colleagues, placing him as one of the top eight superintendents in the state of North Carolina. As the Region Seven Superintendent of the Year, Mr. Beasley will compete for the title of 2021 A. Craig Phillips North Carolina Superintendent of the Year.

Mr. Chad Beasley became Superintendent of the Allegheny County Schools on September 1, 2015. Mr. Beasley graduated from North Surry High School and received his undergraduate degree and his master's degree from Appalachian State University. He had recently completed the Superintendent Fellows Program, a two-year training program for prospective public school superintendents. He is currently completing his Ed.D. program at Gardner-Webb University.

Superintendent Beasley has more than twenty-five years of service in education. He began his career with Mount Airy City Schools where he served as a teacher, coach, and athletic director at Mount Airy High School, as Assistant Principal at Mount Airy High School, and as Principal of Jones Intermediate School. During his tenure with Stokes County Schools, he served as the Curriculum Director and Career and Technical Education Director. He was named the Wachovia Principal of the Year in 2009 and in 2015 was inducted as a member of the Reich College of Education Rhododendron Society at Appalachian State University.

Mr. Beasley is beginning his sixth year as Superintendent of Allegheny County Schools. Since taking the helm of the Allegheny County School System in September of 2015, Superintendent Beasley is a visionary, innovative, and next-generation superintendent focused on creating solutions to overcome the myriad of challenges facing public education. A primary focus for Beasley has been building a multi-tiered system of

support for the entire district focusing on leadership, building capacity, communication and collaboration, data-based problem solving, three tiered instructional and intervention model, and data evaluation.

Quote from Mr. Beasley

Superintendent Beasley exemplifies the characteristics of a next-generation superintendent meeting the demands of next-generation students. Preparing all students for college and careers to live, learn, and lead as productive citizens is his charge. Leading efforts for a next-generation culture within the Alleghany County School System, under his leadership, includes several innovative accomplishments including:

- The establishment of two Global School Programs, one at Piney Creek Elementary, and the other at Glade Creek Elementary
- The creation of a Leader in Me Program at Sparta Elementary
- The establishment of innovative CTE Programs at Alleghany High School, and the continued support of already established programs
- The creation of a 1:1 laptop initiative at Alleghany High School and currently 1:1 initiatives at Sparta, Glade Creek, and Piney Creek Elementary Schools
- The \$1.4 million renovation of Sparta Elementary School
- Mr. Beasley has been a consistent beacon of both hope and strength during the recent school shutdown due to COVID-19. His leadership and positivity have kept all faculty and staff poised and focused.
- While pursuing these worthwhile and innovative goals to meet the ever-changing needs of students, Superintendent Beasley continues to keep the focus on moving the needle for academic achievement. Alleghany County Schools consistently ranks high in Overall Academic Achievement. Moreover, the graduation rate has been on a steady upward trajectory under his leadership and is currently at an all-time high of 94%.