Our Mission
Building the capacity of education professionals to provide disadvantaged children with a high quality education.

Our Membership
The National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators (NAESPA) is a membership organization made up of State education agency administrators charged with managing their state’s federal education programs as those listed below:

- Title I, Part A-Improving Basic Programs Operated by LEAs
- Title I, Part C-Education of Migratory Children
- Title I, Part D-Neglected & Delinquent
- Title II, Part A-Supporting Effective Instruction
- Title III, Part A-English Learners & Immigrant Education
- Title IV, Part A-Student Support & Academic Enrichment
- Title IV, Part B-21st Century Community Learning Centers
- Title V, Part B-Rural Education Initiative (REAP/SRSA)
- Title VI, Part A-Indian, Native Hawaiian & Alaska Native Education
- Title VII, Part B-McKinney-Vento, Education for Homeless Children & Youth, Students in Foster Care

Our Programs
The National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators provides a range of information and professional development services to its members and to the ESEA federal education program community at large. Revenue from membership dues, conference registrations, sponsorships, and video subscriptions all contribute to the overall budget that allows the Association to operate.

Government Relations
The Washington DC education law firm of Brustein & Manasevit keeps members updated on Congressional and U.S. Department of Education activity that affects the federal education programs via blog posts, webinars, and special members-only alerts.

National Distinguished Schools
Since 1996, the Association has annually honored up to two schools per state for exemplary progress. Schools qualify under one of three categories:
- Exceptional student performance for two or more years
- Closing the achievement gap between student groups
- Excellence in serving special populations of students

On Demand Video
With hundreds of options covering a range of ESEA federal education topics, this online video-based professional development programming is an always-available solution for group learning environments.

National ESEA Conference
Held in late January or early February in various locations, this major annual event provides professional development opportunities for thousands of ESEA program practitioners at all levels.

Collaboration with Other Organizations
Working together with other education associations, the National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators undertakes a wide range of projects focused on the needs of disadvantaged children.

Membership Structure
Membership in the Association is open to any individual working within a state’s department of education who is involved in managing their state’s federal education programs. Federal programs are required to coordinate and collaborate to maximize effectiveness and impact on achievement. The Association is dedicated to improving and implementing federal education programs so state education personnel are better equipped to prepare more children reach their academic potential.

Membership Dues
$299 annually
- Payment of dues provides membership for one individual representing their state agency for a period of 365 days.
- Memberships “belong” to the state agency and may be transferred to another authorized individual at no cost during the active period, as necessary to accommodate staffing changes.

Membership Benefits
Members of the Association enjoy many benefits, including:
- Participation in semi-annual membership meetings with the Office of State Support (U.S. Department of Education)
- Complimentary subscription to On Demand video programming
- Access to the Members-Only section of the website, including special information, publications, and resources
- Special updates from our Washington DC-based government relations team
- More lenient cancellation and refund policies for all paid Association events
- Invitations to special meetings and webinars
- Professional connections with colleagues in similar roles from other SEAs
- Voting on membership issues
- Run for and hold office in the Association

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