

Texas Association of Secondary School Principals

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Dear TASSP/TASC/TAFE Members:

For the past twenty-four and a half years, I have been honored and privileged to serve as the Executive Director of the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals, Texas Association of Student Councils, and the Texas Association of Future Educators. This has been the most wonderful position anyone could have, and I am forever grateful for the time I have been given to hold it.

Over the past quarter of a century, all three associations have experienced phenomenal success because of the leadership of our officers and directors, past and present as well as the TASSP/TASC/TAFE staff. TASSP's membership grew from just over 4,000 members in July 2000 to over six thousand members in August 2024. The net assets of TASSP have increased from 1.4 million dollars in 2000 to 4.13 million dollars in August 2024.

The Texas Association of Student Councils has increased in numbers over this same time and the Texas Association of Future Educators has grown from 221 chapters in 2001 to 357 chapters in February 2025. None of this growth would have been possible without the support of the TASSP Officers and Board of Directors as well as the Board of Directors and Officers from TASC and TAFE.

It is with deep appreciation to the current TASSP Officers and Board of Directors that I submit my official notification of retirement effective June 30, 2025. Thank you for allowing me the honor of serving as the Executive Director of these three outstanding associations and for the opportunity to live out TASSP's motto, *"Above All, Students First."*

The plan for my future is to be the caregiver for my wife of 56 years, Sharon McAfee. Parkinson's has taken its toll on Sharon over the past several years, and I am honored to be able to be with her full-time following my retirement. Dr. Billy Pringle, TASSP Deputy Director, will assume the duties of Executive Director beginning July 1, 2025. We wish Dr. Pringle the best as he leads TASSP/TASC/TAFE.

If I may ever be of service to TASSP/TASC/TAFE in the future, please don't hesitate to call on me. May God bless all of you for continued success.

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Archie E. McAfee, Executive Director Texas Association of Secondary School Principals