



PRESS RELEASE

Delmar's Superintendent named Delaware 2014 Superintendent of the Year

Delmar, DE, Thursday, June 27th: At the Delaware Chief School Officers Association (CSOA) June meeting, the Chief School Officers named Dr. David C. Ring, Jr. as the Delaware 2014 Superintendent of the Year. At the June 18, 2013 Delmar Board of Education meeting, Shawn Brittingham, President, stated that he had received a letter from Dr. Michael Thomas, the CSOA president, announcing the good news. He offered congratulations and thanked Ring for a well deserved honor and recognized him for all the work he has done and will continue to do for the best district in the state. Ring will compete for the National Superintendent of the Year which will be announced at the AASA (American Association of School Administrators) Convention in Nashville, TN, February 2014.

In 2005, Ring was named the superintendent for the Delmar School District. "At the beginning of my employment I considered myself very fortunate to have Dr. Wayne Bastian, a former Delmar Superintendent, serve as my mentor." Wayne Bastian served as the interim superintendent until Ring's arrival on August 15, 2005; however the Delmar Board of Education agreed to hire Bastian for an additional three months to work with Ring. "Bastian taught me the necessary skills to understand the history of this great bi-state community and quickly introduced me to the key stakeholders in Delaware and Maryland, knowing well that I had a learning curve to achieve." Ring also attributes his success to the number of colleagues that served in the same capacity throughout the state. "In 2005, many of my fellow Delaware District Superintendents had years of experience and they helped me understand the role of a district superintendent."



David C. Ring, Jr., Ed.D.
Delmar School District Superintendent

"It's an honor to work for the Delmar Board of Education, and to work with incredible loyal and dedicated professionals, colleagues and co-workers."

Dr. Ring has spent the past 30-plus years in K-12 education. He spent 16-years as a classroom teacher, a former academic chairperson, assistant principal, principal, curriculum specialist, and an educational regional director while working with the NCEA (National Catholic Education Association). This school year begins his 9th year as Delmar's Superintendent of Schools.

Besides his service to the District as the board appointed superintendent, he also serves at the discretion of Delaware's Governor Jack Markell as an Executive Board member for JDG (Jobs for Delaware Graduates). He serves on the Executive Board for DASA (Delaware Association of School Administrators) and DSBA (Delaware School Board Association). In June 2012 Ring completed his term as president for Delaware's CSOA (Chief

School Officers Association). As president he worked for greater collaboration between Delaware's 19- superintendents, Delaware's Department of Education and the Governor's office. He also resurrected the Education Consortium, a group of stakeholders throughout the state that works with legislators in evaluating, supporting and promoting legislation directly associated with K-12 education.

As a resident of the town of Delmar, Dr. Ring serves as a Commissioner for the Town's Planning and Zoning Commission. He resides in Delmar with his wife and is the father of two children and one grandson.

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