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Dale Kinsley

ACADEMY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND INSTRUCTOR

"Public education for All is a radical idea whose promise must be renewed with each generation," believes Dale Kinsley. "As school leaders we must open the world of possibilities and opportunities for each student while leveling the playing field for all our children regardless of background or circumstances with engaging and rigorous learning experiences."



Dr. Dale Kinsley is the director of the Washington State Leadership Academy. In collaboration with educational leaders across the state, Kinsley will help research, design, implement and evaluate a leadership development and support program for district and building administrators during the next few years.

Kinsley retired from his position of superintendent of Bellingham Public Schools in June 2007, after serving in that role for 16 years. With a career in public education that spans over 40 years, Kinsley began as a Peace Corps teacher. He has been a classroom teacher, a faculty member at the University of California in charge of teacher and administrator preparation, and a superintendent of schools in Santa Cruz, CA and Bellingham, WA.

He has served on numerous professional boards at the local, state, and national level, including the Board of the American Association of School Administrators (AASA), the National Center for Learning and Citizenship, the Washington Association of School Administrators, and the Professional Educators Board for Woodring College of Education at Western Washington University.

He has made numerous presentations at state and national meetings on aspects of school and district leadership necessary to improve student achievement for all students. He was recognized as the Washington State Superintendent of the Year in 2001.

Kinsley received his B.A. from Princeton University and an Ed.D. from the University of Massachusetts.