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## **Everett Public Schools board is a 2021 Board of Distinction**

District school board recognized for governing excellence



Everett Public Schools board of directors front: April Berg, Caroline Mason, Andrew Nicholls Back: Pam LeSesne, Traci Mitchell

Everett, WA – The Everett School Board has been selected as a 2021 WSSDA Board of Distinction for presenting exemplary evidence of ongoing professional development, addressing opportunity gaps and practicing governance that reflects the Washington School Board Standards during the 2020-21 school year.

Applications are reviewed by a panel of judges, including former and current educational service district superintendents, State Board of Education board members, former school directors and other education leaders in Washington state. Scoring is based on how well applicants show alignment with the Washington School Board Standards, support

their statements with data and demonstrate a link between outcomes and decisions made by the board.

Board President Caroline Mason shared, "We are once again tremendously honored to receive this recognition. Given the historic challenges of the past year and a half, we are fortunate to have dedicated teachers and staff who have supported our students and helped bring them back to in-person learning safely and creatively. We owe a great deal of our success to them. It is a strong example of how teamwork can improve the outcomes for the students and families we serve."

This is the boards fifth Board of Distinction award in the last six years. The Boards of Distinction from across the state will be honored at the Washington State School Directors Association's (WSSDA's) 2021 Annual Conference during the awards ceremony on Friday, November 19.

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