



President's Message

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As we conclude the WSNA 2026 Annual Conference in Laramie, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the many individuals who made this year's conference such a success.

First, thank you to our outgoing President, Amy Wiig, whose vision brought the Children's Hospital Colorado School Nurse Skills Training and Education program to Wyoming. Her leadership and dedication helped create a unique learning opportunity that directly supports school nurses across our state. I would also like to recognize Peggy Jolovich for her tireless efforts in securing the funding necessary to make this training possible.

Our Executive Board members and Peggy devoted countless hours throughout the year, meeting monthly to ensure attendees received the highest-quality conference experience possible. Through expert presenters, engaging panel discussions, ANCC continuing education credits, and hands-on skills check-offs, we worked together to provide meaningful professional development opportunities for Wyoming school nurses. Thank you all for your commitment and service.

A special thank you goes to our outgoing Secretary, Esther Ellis. For the past two years, Esther has generously shared her time, talents, and unwavering support of WSNA. While we will miss her leadership on the Executive Board, I am grateful she is not going far. Her involvement in restructuring our Area Representative program will be invaluable as we continue to strengthen connections across the state.

There are not enough words to express my appreciation to Janet Farmer as she passes the torch of NASN Director. Janet, your vast experience, knowledge, advocacy, and friendship have helped make WSNA feel like family. Thank you for representing Wyoming school nurses through legislative advocacy, open communication, and your constant willingness to support our members. It is comforting to know that while your role may be changing, you remain only a phone call away and will continue to be a trusted resource for our organization.

It is my pleasure to announce our incoming WSNA Executive Board Members:

- **President-Elect:** Whitney Cundy, Crook County School District #1
- **Secretary:** Michelle Timmer, Albany County School District #1
- **NASN Director:** April Buss, Sweetwater County School District #1

We are also excited to collaborate with our [Wyoming Area Representatives](#):

Area 1

- Kim Keslar (SCSD #1)
- Jamie Lovato (SCSD #1)

Area 4

- Anna Hinkle (Fremont #2)
- Michelle Westband (Fremont #24)

Area 6

- Julie Lang (Campbell #1)
- Bryce Mayo (Campbell #1)
- Tiffany Camilli (Campbell #1)

Area 2

- Esther Ellis (Teton County)
- Christine Houlton (Teton County)

Area 5

- Nikki Thorne (Carbon #2)

Area 7

- Julia Benke (Albany #1)

Area 3

- Katie Winters (Big Horn #4)
- Jodi Winland (Albany #1)
- Susan Peterson (Big Horn #1)

Highlights from the Past Year

Together, we accomplished many exciting initiatives, including:

- Development of the Canvas School Nurse Orientation Training Program
- Creation of UAP Educational Resources (coming soon)
- Distribution of Stop the Bleed Kits to every Wyoming school district
- Partnership with Children's Hospital Colorado and the University of Wyoming Fay W. Whitney School of Nursing
- Introduction of ANCC Continuing Education Credits for conference attendees
- WDE 534 Data Collection and Dissemination efforts
- Recognition of outstanding school nurses through the Wyoming School Nurse of the Year nomination and recognition program

Looking Ahead

As we move forward, our goals include:

- Increasing WSNA membership across Wyoming
- Expanding participation at the 2027 Annual Conference
- Strengthening engagement through our Area Representative network
- Increasing mentorship opportunities for new and rural school nurses
- Expanding access to clinical education, skills training, and leadership development
- Enhancing communication and collaboration among school nurses statewide
- Continuing to advocate for policies that support student health and the school nursing profession

Together, we will continue to grow the WSNA, strengthen our professional community, and sustain excellence in school nurse education, training and advocacy.

Thank you for your dedication to Wyoming's students, schools, and communities. I am honored to serve alongside each of you as we continue this important work.

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