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[Editor's note: Photo of Roger Breed attached.](#)

ED COMMISSIONER BREED NAMED NATIONAL ED ADMINISTRATOR

Nebraska Education Commissioner Roger Breed on July 12 will receive the National Educational Administrator of the Year award at the National Association of Educational Office Professional's (NAEOP) annual conference in Costa Mesa, California.

The state NAEOP affiliate, which is comprised of about 200 educational office employees statewide, nominated Breed for the national award after he was recognized by a local Nebraska Department of Education affiliate for his leadership and support of staff. "He takes time with each employee, listens to all concerns, ideas and personal stories. His leadership and listening skills make employees feel the important and vital role each play in the success of the Department."

Breed is only the second Commissioner of Education to receive the prestigious, annual national award since 1973 when it was first established. Nancy Grasmick from Maryland was recognized in 1992.

State officials are among those supporting his nomination for the national award.

"Dr. Roger Breed is an outstanding Commissioner of Education. He cares deeply about Nebraska's students receiving a quality education," Gov. Dave Heineman said.

Ken Bird, president and CEO of Avenue Scholars wrote, "Dr. Breed is a leader who expects and encourages that all his staff share the leadership responsibility with him. He brings a wonderful balance of strong work ethics, great communication skills, sensitivity to others, professionalism and humor to the work place."

Nebraska Sen. Greg Adams, chairman of the state Legislature's Education Committee recognized Breed for his passion for education and his professionalism. He also recognized his dedication to students and the strength of his leadership.

The Nebraska Department of Education affiliate, NDE BRIDGE, nominated Breed for the state award. "We are pleased that Dr. Breed's leadership and his work on behalf of students and in support of education will be recognized nationally," Denise Fisher said on behalf of the Nebraska Department of Education's NAEOP affiliate.

NAEOP is an association of educational office employees who work for K-12 schools and school districts as well as community colleges, higher education and departments of education.