



WESTERN NEW YORK EDUCATIONAL SERVICE COUNCIL

Dr. Laura Pless, Executive Director

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Dear Superintendent/Head of School:

As the newly appointed Executive Director of the Western New York Educational Service Council, I am very excited to be working with all of you. I am a retired educational leader, most recently serving as Superintendent of Schools at the Amherst Central School District. I was introduced to the Western New York Educational Service Council when I began the New York State School Administrator certification process. At that time, I became aware of the various services and support programs the Council had to offer educational leaders in the region. Consequently, the service council played an integral role in my own personal and professional development and growth. Once I became an administrator, the respective districts in which I worked also utilized the many services that the Council offered.

As a result of these experiences, I realized that as educational leaders we need to assist and support each other as administrators throughout the State. It is my true belief that, through the work of WNYESC, we can successfully accomplish this task. As the new director, I am devoted to ensuring that we continue to do so.

I am very excited to announce that this next year marks the 70th Anniversary of the Western New York Educational Service Council. The WNYESC has been growing and supporting leadership throughout New York State for seventy years, certainly a significant achievement and milestone and something that we look forward to celebrating throughout the year. With this in mind, I hope that you will show your support of the Council by joining WNYESC for the next fiscal year. If you are currently a member, I thank you for your support and hope that you will continue to maintain your Council affiliation. If you are currently not a member, I hope that you will seriously consider joining and experiencing the many things the Council has to offer. As your new Executive Director, I am committed to working with you to better understand and meet your needs as we face many changes and challenges in our school systems. I can also assure you that we will continue to provide the numerous programs and services that the Council has traditionally offered, while also looking toward providing new services and programs reflective of our rapidly changing world.

Attached, you will find membership forms which outline services provided through the Council as well as payment options and calculations. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the number provided on the forms. You can also find additional information at www.wnyesc.org.

I look forward to an exciting year as well as working with all of you. I wish everyone a successful end of year and graduation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Laura Pless
WNYESC Executive Director

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