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Marnie Maraldo elected WSSDA vice president.

Marnie Maraldo, a member of the Issaquah School Board, has been elected as the next vice president of the Washington State School Directors' Association.

Maraldo was chosen in a month-long online election. School board members from across the state participated in the voting.



"We are thrilled to have Marnie join WSSDA's executive board," said WSSDA Executive Director Alan Burke. "She has a breadth of experience, not just at the local level but on the association's board and legislative committee."

Maraldo has served on the Issaquah board for six years. She is a representative on the WSSDA Board of Directors and formerly sat on WSSDA's Legislative Committee. She has also contributed in the areas of federal relations, education for students with disabilities, and gifted and talented programs. She

is employment coordinator for Eastside Human Services Forum.

Maraldo will assume office as vice president during the closing session of the WSSDA Annual Conference this November and will serve for a year with new President-Elect Joanne Greer of Deer Park and Chris Nation, who is slated to become president.

School directors from all of the state's 295 public school districts were eligible to cast ballots in the election, which ran from August 31 to September 25.

The new officers will be introduced and sworn into office at the closing general session November 22.

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About <u>WSSDA</u> — Founded in 1922, the Washington State School Directors' Association is comprised of all 1,477 school board members from Washington's 295 school districts. The districts they lead serve more than one million students, have a combined annual budget of nearly \$12 billion and employ well over 100,000 people. WSSDA's core mission is focused on ensuring that school board members have the knowledge, tools and services they need to effectively govern their districts and improve student learning.