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Award-Winning Former Superintendent Discusses Current Education Challenges and Expectations Under New Federal Administration

NEW YORK, Jan. 8 /PRNewswire/ -- How can educators effectively meet the challenges that accompany the nation's difficult economic conditions? What will be the direction for education with the new Obama administration? Those are some of the questions addressed by Dr. Daniel A. Domenech, executive director of the Association of School Administrators (AASA), who is featured on DistrictLeadersPodcast.org, a Web site that provides a lively, informative and easily accessible forum for school superintendents and other educational leaders. In the podcast, Domenech discusses "Maintaining a solid foundation on the eve of a new administration."

Domenech talks about the strong and visible role the AASA plans to play in Washington. He says of recent discussions with members of the new administration, "there's a feeling that comprehensive education has been forgotten" and that there will be some changes in the not-too-distant future. "I get the sense that we're going to see a significant shift in policy relevant to education," he shares in the Podcast.

Before joining AASA, Domenech served as senior vice president of the Urban Advisory Resource for McGraw-Hill Education, where he was responsible for building strong relationships with large school districts nationwide. Previously, Domenech served as superintendent of the Fairfax County, Va., Public Schools. Before Fairfax, he was superintendent of schools for Deer Park Schools (Long Island, N.Y.) and the South Huntington School District, also on Long Island. From 1994 to 1997, Domenech was district superintendent of the Second Supervisory District of Suffolk County and chief executive officer of the Western Suffolk BOCES. He is also a past president of the New York State Council of School Superintendents and currently serves on the boards of the Institute for Educational Leadership and the Education Policy Institute.

About DistrictLeadersPodcast.org

The District Leader's Podcast team is passionate about education and deeply committed to student success. The site serves as a valuable tool for anyone interested in improving America's schools. District Leader's Podcast is sponsored by McGraw-Hill Education's Urban Advisory Resource comprising former education leaders and other experts with extensive experience in managing large school districts. It is produced by TeachersPodcast.org, a professional development resource for educators with an audience of more than 4.3 million listeners.

The podcast is currently listed on iTunes as "New and Notable" for K-12 Education. Past guests have included well-known industry leaders, including Dr. Henry Johnson, former Assistant Secretary of Education for the U.S. Department of Education; Dr. Jack Bierwirth, superintendent of the Herricks (N.Y.) School District; Dr. Rudy Crew, former superintendent of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools; and Dr. Earl Watkins, superintendent of Jackson (Miss.) Public Schools.

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