

[External Email] August 2023 Northeast Area of NAEOP Email

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Northeast Area NAEOP Members,

It was great to see so many of you at the 2023 NAEOP Annual Conference last month in Omaha, Nebraska. Attendance certificates were emailed recently for those who participated in sessions and completed the online evaluation. Everything was great from the keynote speaker, breakout sessions, large group events, and networking opportunities. Even the weather was pretty good most of the days we were there. Below are some awards and scholarships highlights related to affiliates in the Northeast Area. Next year we are going to Little Rock, Arkansas, July 14-17, 2024. Start planning now.

NAEOP started a new year on the first of this month. Those of us still working are preparing for a new school year to begin in the next few weeks. Even if you are retired, you may have children, grandchildren, or neighbor children who are getting ready to head back to school. There is something about the new year that gets us excited even if we worked all summer.

While you are considering the new year, make time to think about what you want to accomplish this year. Is this the year you apply for your PSP certification? Is this the year you join a committee to help at the local, state, or national level of our professional association? Is this the year you take advantage of NAEOP or Northeast Area professional development? If I can be of any assistance as you start this new year, please let me know. NAEOP wants to see you succeed!

Have a blessed day,
Katherine

Congratulations are due to a number of our Northeast Area affiliates who received recognition at the 2023 NAEOP Conference in July:

- **Rachel Maynard Awards for Excellence in Communication:**
 - First place in the 76-150 member category went to the Educational Office Professionals of Ohio
 - Third place in the 76-150 member category went to the Pennsylvania Association of Educational Office Professionals
- **Outstanding Affiliates of the Year:** 76-150 member category - Educational Office Professionals of Ohio
- **Website Awards:**
 - First place in the over 150 members category went to the Pennsylvania Association of Educational Office Professionals
 - Second place in the 76-150 member category went to the Educational Office Professionals of Ohio
- **Marion T. Woods Student Scholarships:** Megan Wroblewski, Ohio, and Brady Ouhl, Ohio
- **Student With Special Needs Scholarship:** Michaela Lacrosse, Maine

NAEOP Announcements

- **Join a NAEOP Committee:** There is still time to be involved on a NAEOP Committee. Learn about the committees and sign up at <https://www.naeop.org/naeop-standing-comn>
- **Affiliate Applications:** Remind your organization leadership that affiliate applications are due on **September 15, 2023**, in order for your affiliate to be able to participate in scho
- **Northeast Area of NAEOP Board Meeting:** Our next Northeast Board meeting is Tuesday, September 26 at 5:30 pm. Anyone can join the meeting through the [provided Google](#)
 - **New Scholarships and Awards Committee:** The vote to change the Northeast Bylaws was overwhelmingly positive so we now have a Scholarships and Awards Committe
- **Professional Development:** Your affiliate can have their professional development events posted on the NAEOP website at <https://www.naeop.org/pd-opportunities>. Check out
 - New York State AEOP: October 22-24, 2023, Oswego, New York
 - Northeast Area of NAEOP: May 1-3, 20024, North Conway, New Hampshire

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Quotes about Going Back to School: <https://parade.com/1056225/marynilies/back-to-school-quotes/>

- "A new school year means new beginnings, new adventures, new friendships, and new challenges. The slate is clean and anything can happen." — Denise Witmer
- "School is a building which has four walls with tomorrow inside." — Lon Watters
- "You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose." — Dr. Seuss
- "A sense of curiosity is nature's original school of education." — Smiley Blanton
- "Education is the key to unlocking the world, a passport to freedom." — Oprah Winfrey
- "Children are apt to live up to what you believe of them." — Lady Bird Johnson
- "Don't try so hard to fit in, and certainly don't try so hard to be different...just try hard to be you." — Zendaya