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PRESS RELEASE

Albert Lea School District Administrators Recognized for Excellence

Two administrators from Albert Lea Area Schools have recently been recognized for excellence. Steve Kovach, Principal at Southwest Middle School has been named the Southeast Minnesota Middle School Principal of the Year. Jeff Halverson, Assistant Principal at Albert Lea High School, has been named the Southeast Minnesota Assistant Principal of the Year. These awards are sponsored by the Minnesota Association of Secondary School Principals.



Mr. Kovach has been the principal of Southwest Middle School since 2013. He has led the district in technology adoption, as Southwest was the first school to go 1-1 with chromebooks. Mr. Kovach has introduced many Blue Zone initiatives to his building, culminating with Southwest Middle School being certified as the communities first Blue Zone school. Mr. Kovach is known as a tireless advocate for his staff and students.

Mr. Halverson has worked for Albert Lea Area Schools since 2013. In his role as Assistant Principal at Albert Lea High School, Halverson has been cited for his expertise at master scheduling, particularly his ability to restructure high school course offerings to best meet the needs of students and staff. His push to bring Top 20 Training to Albert Lea High School has energized veteran and new educators alike.



Both individuals will be recognized at a Minnesota Association of Secondary Principals banquet on June 14th.

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