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Urban Superintendents Association of America

September 16, 2019

Dr. Mark Silverstein
Superintendent
Glassboro Public Schools
560 Joseph Bowe Blvd
Glassboro, NJ 08028

Dear Mark:

You have been nominated by Thomasina Jones for membership in the Urban Superintendents Association of America. Accordingly, I have included in this letter a general description of USAA, and have also included a Membership Registration Form and an invoice for dues for school year 2019-2020.

As you may know, USAA is a professional association for superintendents only. It is designed for those who preside over small and medium-size public school districts in or adjacent to urban areas and which are impacted by the problems common to today's urban communities. We are governed by a twelve-member Executive Committee, whose names you see on our letterhead.

Each July we host the Urban Superintendents Summer Academy. At each Academy, our program theme is developed around current issues faced by our members. In July, 2019, our Academy was held in Boise, Idaho. For your information, I have enclosed the program for that Academy. In 2020, our academy will be held in Rochester, New York, July 7-12, 2020.

All active members of USAA are eligible to apply to attend the Academy. The Executive Committee will award sixty scholarships, covering the majority of each superintendent's expenses, including round-trip airfare (or mileage reimbursement if driving personal car), room and tax for four nights (five nights for first-timers), and most meals. For the 2020 Summer Academy, details will be sent to active members in January, 2020, inviting them to apply for the Academy with a deadline of March 1, 2020.

On another matter, if you are planning to attend AASA's 2020 National Conference on Education in San Diego (February 13-15, 2020), we shall host a breakfast for members and guests on Friday, February 14 at the Marriott, adjacent to the Conference Center. Details for that event will also be sent to members in January.

We do not solicit for members; superintendents are invited for membership who have been nominated by active members and corporate friends. Thomasina speaks highly of you and says that you would add considerable value to our association.

If you have any questions about USAA, give me a call. I look forward to meeting you and having you as a member of this unique association. My office phone is 757-436-1032 and my cell is 757-620-2544, and my email is nametab50@aol.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Fred".

C. Fred Bateman
Executive Director