

June 8, 2022

Jason Leahy, Executive Director
Illinois Principals Association
2940 Baker Drive
Springfield, IL 62703

Dear Dr. Leahy,

This letter is written to verify the comprehensive review of fifty-eight (58) micro-credentials submitted by the Illinois Principals Association (IPA) to the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) for endorsement. NASSP and IPA contracted the services of edBridge Partners, an expert in the field of micro-credentials, to conduct an independent review, evaluation, and analysis of the micro-credentials against two major criteria – academic rigor and alignment to NASSP’s foundational leadership framework, *Building Ranks*. A review of thirty-two (32) micro-credentials, paid for by NASSP, was completed in December 2021, and a review of an additional twenty-six (26) micro-credentials, paid for by IPA, was completed in April 2022.

All 58 micro-credentials reviewed against the rubric were scored as “*Fully Meeting the Criteria for Endorsement*”. Both reviewers agreed in their evaluation of each micro-credential. Accordingly, NASSP is pleased to enthusiastically endorse the 58 micro-credentials presented and reviewed. As a NASSP state affiliate, IPA may use the NASSP logo and this statement of endorsement to inform your constituency of this status as well as the methodology used for the review.

I wish you the best with the ongoing development and use of micro-credentials to support school leaders. It has been our pleaser to serve IPA in this matter. If NASSP can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are stronger together.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ronn Nozoe', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ronn Nozoe
Chief Executive Officer