Dr. Daniel Krause Named 2019-20 President of the Illinois Principals Association

Springfield, IL – The Illinois Principals Association announces Dr. Daniel Krause, principal of Willowbrook High School in Villa Park, IL as association President for the 2019-2020 school term.

"It is truly an honor and privilege to serve as President of the Illinois Principals Association," said Dr. Krause. “With more than 5,000 members, IPA is the premier organization to develop, support and advocate for the innovative leadership and growth of our students, staff, schools, and communities. We are excited and thank you in advance for our work together this year as we ‘Lead Through Equity and Excellence’ across our state."

Dr. Jason Leahy, Executive Director for the Illinois Principals Association, adds, “Dr. Krause is a proven, progressive leader focused on equity and doing what is best for the principalship. Drawing from his own experience and expertise, Dan’s understanding of school leadership and its complexities make him well suited to lead the Illinois Principals Association and move the organization forward.”

Dr. Krause has been a member of the Illinois Principals Association since 2002. During this time, he has served the association as President-Elect, member of the Board of Directors, and member of the Membership Committee. He has served the DuPage Region as State Director, Awards Chairperson, and member of the State Superintendent’s Principal Advisory Council. Krause has been recognized by his peers as DuPage Region Principal of the Year (2013), a finalist for the Golden Apple Stanley C. Golder Leadership Award (2016) and the Illinois State Board of Education’s “Those Who Excel” program.

Krause has presented at the local, regional, state and national level on Smaller Learning Communities (SLC), Positive Behavioral Interventions (PBIS), Response to Intervention (RtI), and school improvement initiatives. He has also served as a consultant for school improvement support for Chicago Public Schools and Detroit Public Schools.

Krause began his career in education in 1995 as a high school mathematics teacher at Alan B. Shepard High School, and continued teaching at Niles North High School, serving as Director of Mathematics and Science, and Division Chair for Mathematics and Applied Technology at Victor J. Andrew High School. Krause began his career in administration in DuPage High School District 88 in 2002 as an Assistant Principal at Addison Trail High School and later moved to Willowbrook as an Assistant Principal in 2005. Krause has served as Principal of Willowbrook High School in District 88 since 2007. During this time, he has authored and received grants totaling $1.25 million focused on personalizing the high school environment, assisted with implementing work-based learning opportunities for students with local businesses and agencies, increased the participation of students enrolled in Advanced Placement and Dual Credit course work, and facilitated community outreach programs for middle school students using high school students as mentors.

Dr. Krause currently resides in New Lenox, Illinois with his wife Katie (Associate Principal at Stagg High School). Krause received a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from Loyola University Chicago, Master’s degree in Educational Leadership from Northeastern Illinois University, and Doctoral degree in Educational Leadership from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

The Illinois Principals Association is a leadership organization which serves over 5,300 educational leaders throughout the state of Illinois and whose mission is to develop, support, and advocate for innovative educational leaders. For more information about the IPA, please visit www.ilprincipals.org.