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Tere Masiarchin Receives AESA's Outstanding Individual Achievement Award

Ripon, WI — The Association of Educational Service Agencies (AESa) is pleased to announce that Tere Masiarchin, Senior Director of the Licensing, Evaluation and Support Center of Excellence at CESA 2, has been selected as the recipient of the 2025 Outstanding Individual Achievement Award.

This national recognition honors individuals whose leadership and innovation have significantly advanced the mission of educational service agencies. Masiarchin has demonstrated exceptional dedication through the creation and expansion of the CLASS program, a flexible and accessible licensure pathway that has helped more than 360 aspiring educators earn credentials in Wisconsin.

The CLASS program addresses critical shortages in areas such as English as a Second Language, Bilingual Education, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Driver Education. Candidates benefit from rolling enrollment, self-paced coursework, live coaching, and personalized support from experienced educators. The program boasts a 99 percent completion rate and a 100 percent graduate recommendation rate. It has been recognized by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction as a model for alternative licensure.



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"Tere consistently foregrounds the needs of candidates and the students they will serve," said Daniel J. Hanrahan, Agency Administrator of CESA 2. "Her deep-rooted commitment to ensuring high-quality teacher candidates enter classrooms in Wisconsin makes her an outstanding choice for this award."

Masiarchin's partnerships with districts such as Watertown, Janesville, and Madison have expanded access to licensure through cohort models tailored to local needs. Her efforts to remove barriers to licensure such as financial constraints and challenges with the Foundations of Reading Test have resulted in a 99 percent first-time pass rate among CLASS participants.

A CLASS graduate shared, "I cannot rave enough about CESA 2 and their CLASS Licensure Program. Their incredible team of compassionate, talented, and dedicated staff have created a program that is robust and applicable to the real classroom."

AESA congratulates Tere Masiarchin on this well-earned honor and celebrates her lasting contributions to educator preparation and student success across Wisconsin.