NCSM Affiliates by Carol Matsumoto, Affiliates Group Coordinator

At present NCSM has twenty affiliates. Each of its affiliates has a page on the NCSM website and each affiliate's page has a link to its website.

An NCSM Affiliate is spotlighted in each issue of the NCSM newsletter. In this issue the affiliate, the New York State Association of Mathematics Supervisors (NYSAMS) is spotlighted. NYSAMS became an affiliate in 2014. The questions below were answered by Suzanne Libfeld, NYSAMS NCSM representative, for Carol Matsumoto, NCSM Affiliates Group Coordinator.

What is the purpose of your organization?

The objectives of the organization as stated in the constitution are:

To facilitate the exchange of information and ideas relative to supervision in mathematics education.

To inform NYSAMS members of New York State Education Department trends and developments in mathematics curriculum, mathematics teacher certification, and other issues affecting the supervisory function of members.

To familiarize the membership with national and state developments in mathematics education, and to publicize innovative development in mathematics education in New York State.

To provide a channel for communication among supervisors and mathematical educators of different levels of mathematics education.

To provide a channel for communication between members and the New York State Education Department.

To work cooperatively with the <u>Association of Mathematics Teachers of New York State</u> (AMTNYS), the <u>National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM)</u>, the <u>National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics (NCSM)</u>, and any other organization concerned with improving mathematics education.

To represent the interests of mathematics supervisors and mathematics educators on the state and national levels as determined by the Executive Board.

What are your successes?

Our success is in bringing mathematics educators together to network, share ideas and grow professionally as leaders.

What are your challenges?

NYSAMS is a professional organization for all educators, teachers, teacher leaders, coaches, supervisors, etc. Some educators are reticent to join as they think it is only for supervisors. The role of mathematics educators has changed through the years, and all are welcome to join our organization to meet and network with other New York State educators as we all learn from each other.

What events do you host?

Each year, NYSAMS hosts a yearly Leadership Summit, a New York State Mathematics Educators Hall of Fame Induction dinner, and an annual breakfast business meeting in conjunction with the AMTNYS annual conference.

What event/accomplishment as an organization are you most proud of and why?

We are very proud of establishing the New York State Mathematics Educators Hall of Fame. We have inducted outstanding mathematic educators from New York State for the past 8 years. We honor their outstanding contributions to mathematics education in New York State and beyond. Friends, family and colleagues attend to celebrate this prestigious award bestowed upon the honorees. The inducted honorees are featured on our website.

What is your website information?

nysams.org

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