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OUR HISTORY

PARSS began in 1983 as a group of public school superintendents who expressed concern that Pennsylvania students in rural and small school districts did not have access to the same quality of education afforded to students attending school in the more metropolitan areas of the state. Our focus and purpose was, and continues to be, on two primary issues: finance and quality education.



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PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION OF
RURAL AND SMALL SCHOOLS

*Quality Education
for all of
Pennsylvania's
Children*



OUR IMPACT



01

290+ members strong

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Advocating for adequate and fair funding for Pennsylvania's rural and small schools

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Partnerships with other statewide organizations to advocate stronger and louder

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Distribution of more than \$500,000 in grants – \$70,000 this year alone

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Posting employment vacancies and facilitating superintendent searches

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OUR SERVICES

Superintendent Searches

Superintendent searches tailored to the **unique needs** of rural and small districts

Retreat Facilitation

Board retreat sessions include workshops and exercises in consensus building among board members, goal setting for the board and the district, and creating a team mentality among your school board members. **Administration retreats** focus on consensus building, consistency, and leadership styles.

Professional Learning and Keynotes

Keynote address by a motivational speaker on the topic of **Being a Champion for All Children**. Parent workshops for Title I Parent and Family Engagement and other professional learning topics by request.

Legislative Updates

Timely updates on the current legislative issues that affect our member schools.

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OUR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Networking and learning at the Annual PARSS Conference provide Act 45 hours for attendees.

