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New Jersey Association of School Technology Officials (NJASTO) Becomes Official New Jersey State Chapter of CoSN

New Jersey — *September 16, 2024* — The New Jersey Association of School Technology Officials (NJASTO) is excited to announce its new partnership with the Consortium for School Networking (CoSN) as the official state chapter for New Jersey. This collaboration marks a significant milestone for NJASTO as it continues to empower technology leaders across the state's public school districts and charter schools.

With over 200 active members representing districts and charter schools throughout New Jersey, NJASTO is dedicated to supporting technology leaders by fostering collaboration, providing professional development, promoting advocacy, and establishing valuable partnerships. This new partnership with CoSN will allow NJASTO to further its mission of enhancing the effectiveness of instructional technology operations for the benefit of students, educators, and communities.

Empowering New Jersey's Technology Leaders

NJASTO's mission is rooted in the belief that collaboration and professional growth are essential to improving educational outcomes through technology. As the official CoSN state chapter, NJASTO will expand its professional development opportunities, mentorship programs, and access to CoSN's vast network of technology leaders and resources. Together, NJASTO and CoSN will work toward achieving technology equity in New Jersey's schools and advocating for policies that support educational technology at the state and federal levels.

A Unified Vision for Technology in Education

"Our partnership with CoSN reinforces our commitment to the technology leaders in New Jersey's public schools and charter schools. As the official CoSN state chapter, we will continue to promote the exchange of knowledge, provide access to essential resources, and advocate for the integration of technology that enhances student learning," said Adrian Cepero, President of NJASTO.

Looking Ahead

NJASTO remains steadfast in its goals to:

- Facilitate knowledge sharing and best practices among technology leaders statewide
- Provide comprehensive professional development and mentorship opportunities
- Promote technology equity across all New Jersey public schools and charter schools

- Advocate for supportive state and federal policies
- Partner with edtech businesses and organizations to enhance technology resources for schools

This partnership with CoSN represents a major step forward in realizing NJASTO's vision of a collaborative, innovative, and technology-empowered educational landscape in New Jersey.

"We are excited to work closely with CoSN to ensure our schools have the tools and support necessary to thrive in a digital age," added NJASTO Vice President Tamer Mamkej.

About NJASTO:

The New Jersey Association of School Technology Officials (NJASTO) is dedicated to empowering technology leaders in public school districts and charter schools across New Jersey. Through collaboration, professional development, advocacy, and partnerships, NJASTO works to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of instructional technology operations for the benefit of students, educators, and the community. Learn more at www.njasto.org.

About CoSN:

The Consortium for School Networking (CoSN) is the premier professional association for school system technology leaders, working to advance the use of technology in K-12 education. Through advocacy, collaboration, and professional development, CoSN supports technology leaders in creating environments where students can thrive. Learn more at www.cosn.org.