

2009 Kansas Superintendent of the Year
John Heim, Ph.D.



John Heim, Ph.D., Superintendent of Emporia Public Schools, has been named the 2009 Superintendent of the Year by the Kansas Association of School Administrators. Heim is the 21st recipient of this honor bestowed on a Kansas school leader by a committee of peers.

This recognition is especially meaningful to Heim since his father, Max Heim, was the second recipient of the award in 1990 while he was superintendent at Geary

County.

Dr. Heim has served as superintendent of Emporia Public Schools since 1997. He has been a superintendent in Kansas since 1988, when he accepted a position in Wichita County Schools at Leoti. He was the superintendent at El Dorado for four years and the executive director of the Educational Services and Staff Development Association of Central Kansas at Hutchinson before coming to Emporia. He began his education career as a history and government teacher in 1981.

Dr. Heim received the Outstanding Service Award from the United School Administrators of Kansas in 2006 and the Communicator of the Year Award from the Kansas School Public Relations Association in 2001. He is currently president of the Partnership in Collaboration of Kansas, past president of KASA and past president of the Kansas Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development. He is a member of the Kansas State Department of Education Professional Standards Board and the KSDE Regulations Committee.

Heim has a bachelor's degree from the University of Kansas, a master's degree in educational administration from Fort Hays State University, and a doctorate in educational administration from Kansas State University. He currently is an adjunct faculty member in The Teachers College at Emporia State University. He also has been a guest lecturer at Wichita State University and the University of Kansas.

We are pleased to have the chorale group from Emporia High School join us in honoring Dr. John Heim.