



KEN LESHER

Board of Directors Biography

With over 20 years of experience as an educator, I bring a strong commitment to advocacy, equity, and academic excellence to the Board of Directors. My leadership is guided by four core priorities: 1) respect for teachers, 2) equity for veteran educators, 3) improvement of dual credit programs, and 4) addressing rising health care costs for educators and staff.

- Active association member for 20 years, demonstrating long-standing commitment
- 11 years as a School Representative, 5 years as an Alternate Representative, providing direct advocacy and communication between educators and leadership.
- Board of Directors as the Middle School Representative, supporting the membership
- Strengthened leadership skills through participation in multiple MSEA trainings
- Involved in negotiations, helping to support fair contracts and sustainable working conditions.

Throughout my career I have taught in a wide range of school environments, including:

- Boonsboro Middle School
- E. Russell Hicks Middle School
- Clear Spring Middle School (Residential Substitute)
- Hancock Middle/Senior High School
- Williamsport High School

Beyond education, I am deeply committed to serving the community:

- I volunteer with Saving Webster's Dogs, supporting animal rescue efforts
- Trauma Peer Survivor at Inova Fairfax Hospital and Winchester Hospital, offering compassionate, peer-based support to individuals and families during critical moments.

Through leadership, advocacy, and service, I remain committed to enhancing educational environments, supporting my colleagues, and advocating for equitable, affordable benefits for all educators.