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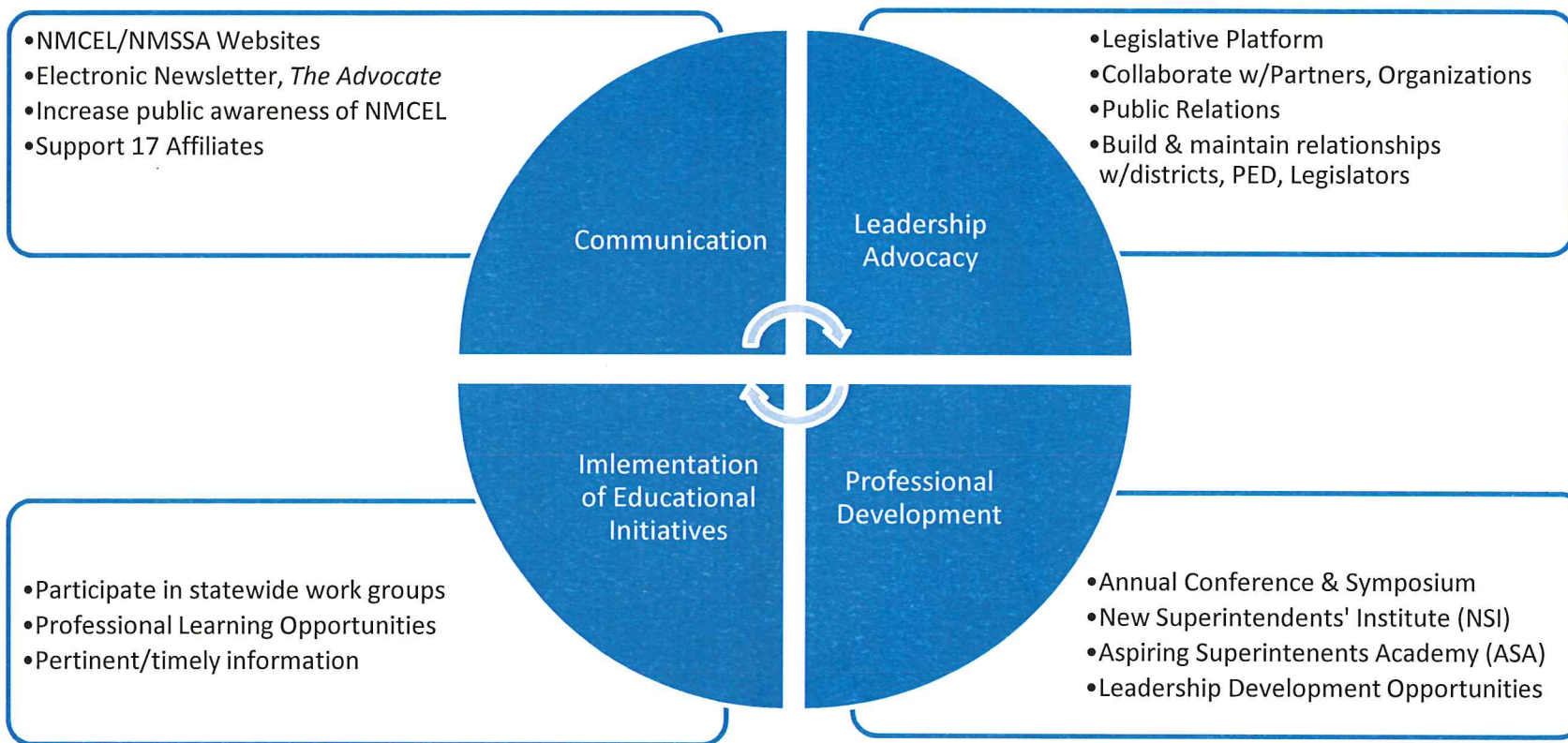
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Vision

The New Mexico Coalition of Educational Leaders (NMCEL) membership is relied upon as the experts in the strategic guidance of educational policy and practice in New Mexico.

Mission

The New Mexico Coalition of Educational Leaders (NMCEL) provides the effective foundation for proactive educational advocacy for public education in New Mexico.



NMCEL – Then and Now

The Coalition was created in 1971, originally called the New Mexico School Administrators' Association. Early pioneers of this organization included Earl Nunn who served as the first full-time director. Mr. Nunn preserved original hand-written documents detailing the origins and first meetings of the organization.

The first constitution listed the purposes of the organization:

1. To unify the professional efforts of member groups in areas of common interests;
2. To coordinate research, publications, and legislative activity of member groups;
3. To provide appropriate services to member groups in areas such as insurance, retirement, and legal information; and
4. To work cooperatively with other organizations seeking to improve public education.

To this day, the organization lives up to the original commitments.

"I was an early member when the organization launched and found the services to be extremely helpful as a young superintendent. Earl Nunn, the first Executive Director, served as my mentor. I credit the organization and the executive directors through the years for a successful career as a superintendent for 32 years."

--Fred Pomeroy, Retired Superintendent, retired NMCEL Executive Director, and active member of the New Mexico Retired Superintendents' Association.

The New Mexico Coalition of Educational Leaders (NMCEL) Executive Board reviews and updates their strategic plan annually as needed. In July 2013, the membership voted and passed action which included re-branding and a name change. In July 2014, the membership voted and passed action to change the Vice President position to President-elect. Prior to that, NMCEL was known as the New Mexico Coalition of School Administrators. In August 2016, the Board hired Stan Rounds as Executive Director.

NMCEL Activities

Public Affairs

- Develop and promote public policy proposals that address concerns of school administrators in New Mexico on behalf of our children.
- Active participant in the State's legislative and educational policy development process.

Professional Development

- Promote professional development for all levels of school administrators.
- Annual Summer Conference features national keynote speakers and breakout sessions conducted by New Mexico practitioners.
- Seminars and workshops focus on specific needs.
- Collaborate with other educational entities to provide valuable professional development opportunities.

Peer Support and Networking

- Provide activities to bring school administrators together to share ideas, discuss strategies and promote educational excellence for all school districts.
- Provide services to administrators to maintain a personal commitment to leadership.

Recognition

- Recognition program that honors outstanding administrators in each of the affiliate organizations.
- Recognize public and private leaders who have made differences in public education.
- Award two scholarships to NM high school graduates each year.

Job Placement

- Inform membership of administrative job openings throughout the state, and upon request, provide information about out-of-state administrative job openings.