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### **Kim Gibbons Named MASA Richard Green Scholar**

(St. Paul, MN) – The Minnesota Association of School Administrators (MASA) has named Dr. Kim Gibbons, Director of the Center for Applied Research and Educational Improvement (CAREI) at the University of Minnesota, the 2018 Richard Green Scholar. Dr. Gibbons will present a paper, “**Effective Universal Instruction: An Action-Oriented Approach to Improving Tier 1**” at the MASA Fall Conference, October 1-2, in Brainerd, Minnesota.

MASA established the Richard Green Scholars Program in 2006 to honor the scholarly work and professional development of Minnesota school leaders. The program is an annual recognition of the research, writing, and presentation of a paper reflecting the practice of excellent school leadership. Scholar candidates apply for the program and a subcommittee of the MASA Executive Development Committee selects the recipient.

Prior to her position at CAREI, Dr. Gibbons was the Executive Director of the St. Croix River Education District (SCRED) located in Rush City, Minnesota. SCRED has received national recognition for its use of the Response to Intervention (RtI) framework. In 2007, SCRED received a legislative appropriation to fund a statewide Minnesota RtI Center for two years. Prior to her role as the Executive Director, Dr. Gibbons worked as a director of special education, staff development coordinator, and school psychologist. In addition, she has been on the faculty at the University of Minnesota as an instructor in the School Psychology Program.

Dr. Gibbons obtained her doctoral degree in school psychology from the University of Oregon where she received extensive training in the problem solving model, curriculum based measurement, and research-based instructional practices. She is active in state leadership and is the past-president of the Minnesota Association of Special Educators (MASE). She is the co-author of four books and has numerous other peer-reviewed publications. She is a sought-after consultant who has given numerous workshops throughout the nation.

Each year, MASA recognizes members for their contribution to public education. MASA is a professional organization of Minnesota’s school leaders, including superintendents, assistant superintendents, directors of special education, and other central office administrators, as well as state department administrators, college, and university professors, and other educators throughout Minnesota dedicated to educational leadership for students.

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