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Buckeye Elementary Superintendent Featured on National Radio Show

Sandvik's topic is restoring music appreciation to schools

December 9, 2015, (Buckeye, Arizona) – Dr. Kristi Sandvik, Superintendent of the Buckeye Elementary School District and the 2014 VH1 [Save the Music Foundation](#) Award winning superintendent for Distinguished Support of Music, is appearing on the national American Association for School Administrators [Radio Show](#) hosted by Dr. Daniel A. Domenech, Executive Director of [AASA](#).

According to Domenech, “Dr. Kristi Sandvik, Superintendent of [Buckeye Elementary School District](#), came to Arizona from Oregon. She is passionate about student learning and closing the achievement gap for all students. She was recently named Superintendent of the Year and sits on the AASA Governing Board and the Minority Student Achievement Network Executive Governing Board.”

In her interview of the AASA Radio Show, Sandvik shares ways that BESD grew the music program through a VH1 \$30,000 grant to give students access to band, music and is sought after as a choice for students. Music is a vital part of BESD’s program designed to create a well-rounded student and create a life-long love of all types of music.

Sandvik welcomes the community into BESD Schools to see the music programs in action. The award-winning honor band, under the direction of [Amber Shupe](#) will be featured at the national AASA conference on February 11-13, 2016 in Phoenix, Arizona.

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