

## Becky Pringle Vice President National Education Association

Becky Pringle is vice president of the National Education Association, the nation's largest labor union and professional association for educators. A middle school science teacher with 31 years of classroom experience, Pringle has distinguished herself as a thoughtful, passionate advocate for educators and students, focusing on issues of educator empowerment and student success, diversity, and developing future leaders.

Pringle most recently served as NEA Secretary-Treasurer. A strategic thinker and leader, she was integral to the success of NEA's work to transform the education professions and improve student learning. Most notably, she led the workgroup that produced the Association's groundbreaking Policy Statement on Teacher Evaluation and Accountability—NEA's first broad endorsement of the need for a student-centered, educator-led evaluation and shared accountability system.

Pringle has a long and notable record of Association advocacy at the national, state, and local levels. She began her leadership journey as a local president, and then went on to serve on the Board of Directors for NEA and the Pennsylvania State Education Association (PSEA). She also served two terms as a member of NEA's Executive Committee where she distinguished herself as a thoughtful and passionate advocate for the nation's public school educators and students.

Pringle has been recognized by education and social justice organizations for her commitment to educational equity. She is a recipient of the *Black Women's Roundtable Education Innovation & Social Justice Leadership Award* from the National Coalition on Black Civic Participation, *Woman of Power Award* from the National Action Network and was named *Community Woman of the Year* by the American Association of University Women. The impact of her leadership is far-reaching, and includes serving as finance chair of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards; on the Blue Ribbon Panel on Teacher Preparation for the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education; and on the Institute for Educational Leadership Task Force.

Pringle received her bachelor of science degree in elementary education from the University of Pittsburgh and a master's degree in education from Pennsylvania State University.