

The position of President Elect is extremely important to the North Carolina Science Teachers Association (NCSTA). This officer provides continuity to the organization's leadership, and stability to its efforts to facilitate the advancement and coordination of science teaching at all educational levels throughout the state. As part of the Executive Committee, the President Elect is a voting member of the governing board and plays a vital role in the association's decision making, business transactions, policy determination, conference planning, and initiative development.

To hold the position of President Elect, one must have previously held either an elected or appointed position on the NCSTA board. Additionally, the nominee must be a member in good standing of the Association, reside within the state, engage in, or hold an interest in science education, and be willing and able to fulfill the duties associated with the office, as well as, the associated continuing responsibilities. The President Elect serves a one-year term, after which he or she assumes the one-year executive position of President. Following the presidency, the individual remains on the Executive Board for one year as Past President serving as Board's parliamentarian and chairing the conference planning committee.

As part of the NCSTA Executive Committee, the President Elect (unless otherwise arranged through the President) is expected to **attend all retreats, Executive Committee meetings, and Board meetings, as well as, the annual Professional Development Institute.** The President Elect collaborates with District Directors, Committee Chairs and other Board members in planning and implementing NCSTA events, procures refreshments for Board meetings, and presides over meetings and/or assumes administrative responsibilities in the absence of the President. Working with the Past President, the President Elect helps to solicit presenters and exhibitors and aids in preparing for the yearly Professional Development Institute. The President Elect attends science competitions, NCSTA workshops and other science education related events to acknowledge, on the behalf of the organization, educator and student accomplishments, recruit new members, and promote the Association's initiatives.