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## FORUM

### Learning From the Best

The depth and enthusiasm with which Krista Parent (“A Model Leader: Q&A With Krista Parent,” winter 2007) answers your editor’s questions is refreshing and inspiring.

I found not only titles of books on education and leadership I’d like to check out but also took away ideas to share with my school.

I wonder if there is a model or venue available so that all of Oregon could benefit from her educational leadership, like the South Lane School District has.

Mariam Higgins  
*Teacher  
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Editor’s note: Krista Parent, superintendent of Oregon’s South Lane School District, was recently named the 2007 National Superintendent of the Year. Parent received the award March 2nd, in New Orleans, at the American Association of School Administrators’ (AASA) National Conference on Education. 2007 marks the 20th anniversary of the award, which celebrates the leadership of one public school superintendent in each state, as well as four national finalists. Two of the four finalists in 2007 were from the Northwest region.

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