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# Michael Perez

## *NH Assistant Principal of the Year 2023-24*

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## *About*

The New Hampshire Association of School Principals has selected Michael Perez as the 2023 Assistant Principal of the Year. School community stakeholders commented that they had “never seen students so emphatically positive about an administrator.” Educators shared that Mike is supportive of what they do both in and out of the classroom. Members of the student panel shared that “Mr. Perez is like a father-figure at our school. He takes the time to work with you to make you the best version of yourself. However, the ‘Perez-Effect’ (disciplinarian) kicks-in, when necessary, but we get it...he’s just doing his job... he is honest and fair and understands that we’re not just students, we’re humans.” One parent shared, "Because of the collateral he has with the kids, he is able to push them further than they thought possible. You can't put a label on that kind of impact." One member of the systems-level staff, shared that "Mike is friendly, approachable and easy to talk to...he is calm and reflective and strives to make connections with everyone.”