

American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators (AAPSE) Report

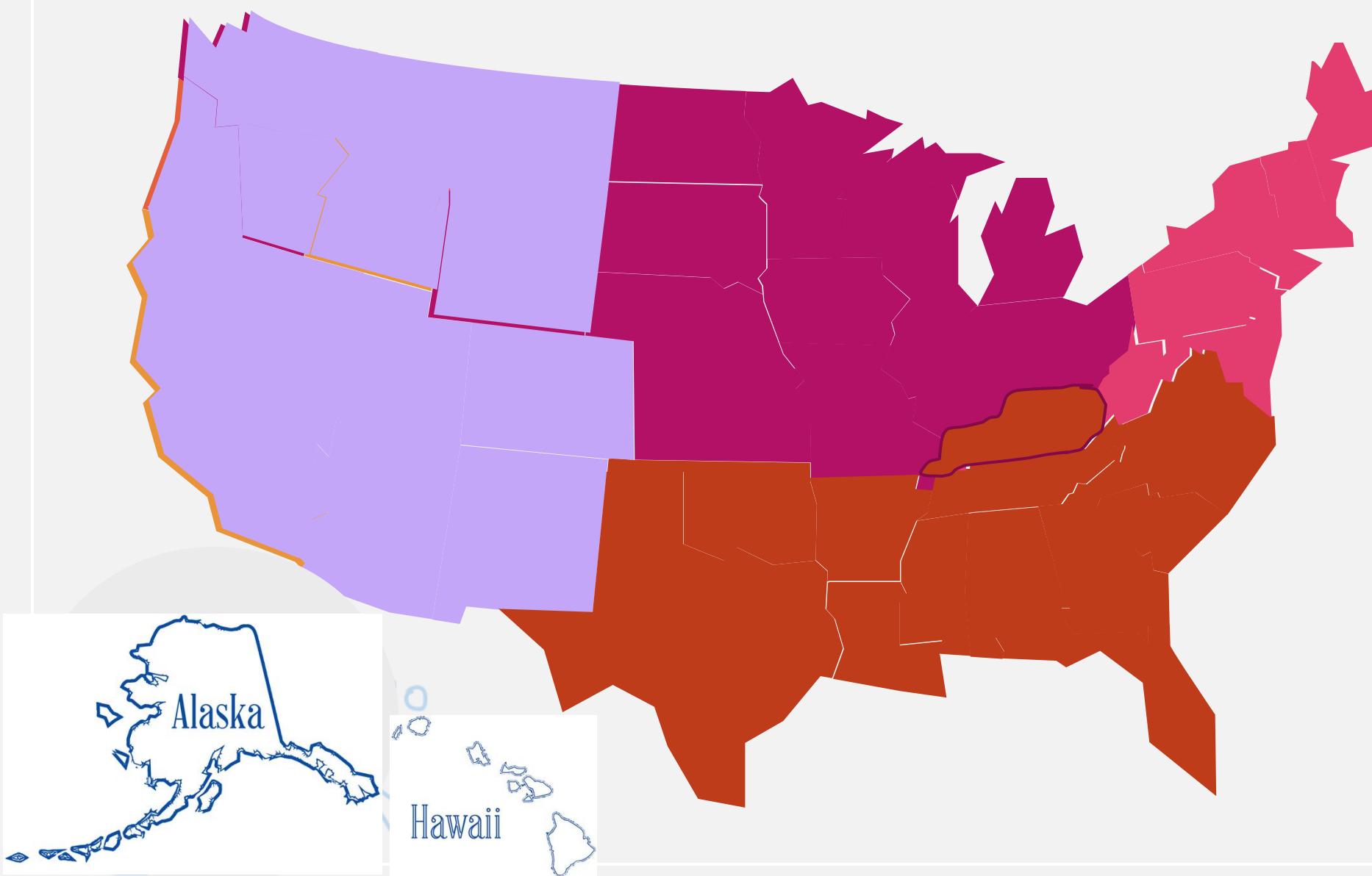
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Current Executive Committee 2024-25

- New officer installation July 2025

- President: Gene Merkl
- President-Elect: Sherman Takatori
- Secretary: Franny Miller
- Treasurer: Sonja Thomas
- Past President: Amanda Bachmann
- Webmaster: Sarah Kingsley-Richards

AAPSE Regions



237 members
-SLAs
-Industry
-PSEPs

Northeast

North Central

Southern

Western

The Journal of Pesticide Safety Education (JPSE)

-Online
-Open-Access
-Peer-Reviewed
-Publishes annually

Mike Weaver - Editor-in-Chief

Professor Emeritus of Entomology; retired director of VT Pesticide Programs, Virginia Tech

Fred Whitford - Associate Editor

Clinical Engagement Professor & Director of Purdue Pesticide Programs, Purdue University

Susan Terwilliger - Assistant Editor

Retired publications manager & editor, VT Pesticide Programs, Virginia Tech

Dean Herzfeld - Contributing (Legacy) Editor - AAPSE Legacies and History

Collaboration Team & Education Facilitator, National Pesticide Safety Education Center; retired PSEP Coordinator, University of Minnesota

Dan Wixted - Contributing (Article) Editor - Short Commentaries and Non-Research Articles

Extension Support Specialist, Cornell University

Jason Ferrell - Contributing (Review) Editor - Book and Media Reviews

Director, Center for Aquatic and Invasive Plants/Pesticide Information Office, University of Florida

Andrew Martin - Contributing (Science) Editor of Science and Research-Based Articles

Exam Development Specialist, Office of Indiana State Chemist, Purdue University



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- ESA Training Webinar
- Beating Burnout Webinar
- Drone Safety Webinar

NEW INVOLVEMENT!

- Certification and Training Leaders (CATL) resumed
- AAPSE / ESA Workgroup resumed
- Support Letter for PERC

Public comments for 2024-25

- ▶ Support letter for PERC
- ▶ National Farmworker Training

Upcoming Events

- ▶ **Annual Membership Meeting and Conference**
Gulfport, MS July 28-31, 2025
- ▶ **Regional meetings**
Western Region-April 29-May 1, 2025
Southern Region – June 9-12, 2025
- ▶ **Webinars**
Pollinator and Pesticide Stewardship – Sep. 10, 2025

Vision for 2025 and Beyond

- ▶ **Affirm AAPSE's Leadership in Certification and Training Programs**
- ▶ **Optimize Collaboration to secure PSEP funding**
- ▶ **Expand AAPSE Influence with Stakeholders**
- ▶ **Provide Permanent Hosting / Administration for CTAG**



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