



MARE Focus

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Legislative Alert – HB 2247 – Administrators, teachers, Board members and concerned patrons need to contact local representatives and encourage them to vote no on HB 2247. This legislation would permit Charter School Expansion in the state. Proponents have been working hard to try to get this harmful legislation passed. I would encourage you to review the latest Legislative Bulletin for detailed information on how this will negatively impact public education. Issues still include open enrollment provision, accountability, selective enrollment, and major financial impacts. Please call today! Working together we can keep this legislation from moving out of the House! the vote is expected on WEDNESDAY!!!!

MARE Superintendent Searches

Closed searches include Van Buren R-I, North Andrew R-VI, Canton R-V, Guadalupe Centers, Sturgeon R-V and Cabool R-IV.

Other Vacancies - Ballard R-II Principal (K-12) - Contact John Siebeneck, Superintendent, at jksballard@gmail.com or by phone at (816) 297-2656.

MARE Scholarship Programs

2018 HS Senior Scholarship Recipients

Lysie Boling - Ralls Co. R-II
 Grant Burnham - East Buchanan C-1
 Hannah Conrad - Sherwood Cass R-VIII
 Emma Engelbrecht - New Haven
 Brice Falls - Monroe City R-I
 Alyssa Ferry - Ralls Co. R-II
 Emily Gorrell - Otterville R-VI
 Morgan Grable - Chillicothe R-II
 Phillip Hercules - Shelby Co. R-IV
 Skylor Horton - Dadeville R-I
 Nichole Hosiner - Halfway R-II

Jessica Huff - Scotland Co. R-I
 Mikayla Mattson - Jefferson C-123
 Hannah Meyers - North Shelby
 Aliagh Monroe - Jamestown C-1
 Bailey Myers - Lesterville R-IV
 Ashton Parker - Dixon R-I
 Ashlyn Peterson - Madison C-3
 Jacob Powelson - North Andrew R-VI
 Cara Scheperle - Jamestown C-1
 Olivia Claire Shipp - Chillicothe R-II

2018 MARE College Scholarship Recipients will be notified by mail no later than April 27th. The Scholarship Review Committee is currently reviewing the 35 applications that were submitted for this program. Due to the success of our Annual Golf Tournament last year, we hope to be able to offer fifteen (15) \$1,000.00 dollar scholarships.

2018 MARE/MO K-8 Fall Conference – Next year’s conference will be held Wednesday, October 17th (afternoon) through Friday, October 19th (11:00 a.m.) at The Lodge of Four Seasons. Please make plans now to attend and help us grow our annual conference! Kent Rader (The World’s Cleanest Comedian and Speaker) has been booked as our Keynote Speaker!

Annual Election of Executive Board Members - MARE will be electing Regional Executive Board Members in Region B, D, F, H and J this year. Additionally, one member from a MARE member school district's Board of Education and a K-8 representative (appointed by the K-8 Board) will be selected this year. If you are interested in being considered, please check out the website for more information. Board members will be announced at the May 7th Executive Board Meeting. Terms for newly elected or appointed members begin on July 1, 2018.

Region B – Counties of - Gasconade, Franklin, Crawford, Washington, Iron, Reynolds, St. Francis, Ste. Genevieve, Jefferson, Perry and St. Louis

Region D – Counties of – Laclede, Camden, Miller, Cole, Osage, Maries, Phelps, Pulaski and Dent.

Region F – Counties of – Jackson, Cass, Lafayette, Johnson, Henry, Saline, Pettis, Cooper, Moniteau and Morgan.

Region H – Counties of – Scotland, Knox, Shelby, Monroe, Audrain, Callaway, Clark, Lewis, Marion, Ralls, Pike, Montgomery, Lincoln, Warren and St. Charles

Region J – Counties of – Atchinson, Holt, Nodaway, Andrew, Buchanan, Platte, Clay, Worth, DeKalb, Clinton, Ray, Caldwell, Daviess, Gentry and Harrison.

School Board Training Dates - MARE has arranged to provide Board Training at the following locations:

Winston R-VI School District (NW Missouri) – (660) 749-5331

- Friday, May 18, 2018 (8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)
- Saturday, May 19, 2018 (8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

Poplar Bluff R-I School District (SE Missouri) - (573) 785-7753

- Friday, June 1, 2018 (8:15 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 2, 2018 (8:15 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.)

Shelby Co. R-IV School District (NE Missouri) - (573) 588-4961

- Friday, June 1, 2018 (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 2, 2018 (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Crest Ridge R-VII School District (WC Missouri) - (660) 656-3316

- Friday, June 15, 2018 - (8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 16, 2018 - (8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

Lake Ozark, MO – The Lodge of the Four Seasons (Conference)

- Wednesday, October 17, 2018 (1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- Thursday, October 18, 2018 (8:15 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.)
- Friday, October 19, 2018 (8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon)

**** We will likely schedule an additional training in the NE corner of the state!**

PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ANY NEW BOARD MEMBER(S) NEEDING THE SIXTEEN (16) HOURS OF REQUIRED TRAINING.

To register, go online (www.moare.com) and complete the electronic form found under Board Training.

ACT Academy Information

As you may, or may not know, I am on Missouri ACT Council and on ACT National Steering Committee so I just want to update the group on a couple of really great opportunities coming from ACT. The first is ACT Academy. If your students are not using this they are really missing out. ACT recently released this tool and it is a prep for the ACT and more importantly IT IS FREE!! Please share this information with your high

school students. It is never too early to start prepping for the ACT.

<https://academy.act.org/>

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[ACT Academy](#)

Legal Articles – *New articles have been added in the past few weeks! Please check this out at www.moare.com. Special thanks to our partners at EdCounsel, Mickes O’Toole, Guin Mundorf, and Tueth Keeney for providing these articles.*

2018 MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament – The annual tournament will be held on Tuesday, July 31st at Osage National Golf Course in Lake Ozark, Missouri. Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. Please mark your calendars now and plan to be involved in this event. All proceeds benefit the MARE Scholarship programs. We will be mailing letters, registration forms and sponsorship forms out to superintendents and associate members within the next two weeks.

Associate Membership List – The Missouri Association of Rural Education is very fortunate to have a number of very loyal and dedicated Associate Members who support our organization by providing discounted services, discounted products, support for our annual conference, support for our golf tournament and information and trainings around the state. Please access the complete list found on the introductory MARE Focus Cover Page.

Call for Presentations

— MARE and MO K-8 are accepting presentation proposals for the joint conference which is scheduled for October 17-19, 2018 at The Lodge of Four Seasons. Please access our website at www.moare.com and download the form to submit. The theme for our 2018 Conference is "Sharing the Success of Rural Education."

NREA/Rural Schools Collaborative Grant Program - APPLY NOW FOR OUR NATIONAL SIGNATURE GRANT PROJECT! A Joint Grant initiative of the NREA and the Rural Schools Collaborative's Grants in Place Program.

The Rural Schools Collaborative [Grants in Place program](#) is pleased to present the National Signature Project, a \$2,500 grant to an outstanding and innovative classroom project that exemplifies the very best in place-based education. The National Signature Project award is open to any rural classroom teacher in the United States.

Our straightforward application is due by April 23, 2018. Please click here to apply today, and help us spread the word!

If you are a teacher within one of our hub or partner regions, you may be eligible for a traditional "Grants in Place" award - [please view eligible regions and apply here.](#)

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MACCE Survey Opportunity

The Missouri Advisory Council for Certification of Educators (MACCE) is reviewing the requirements for adding on certification areas by passing the licensure test, Mo Content Assessment only. Any teacher who holds a valid MO professional teaching certificate in any area may add one or more areas of certification by passing the MoCA for that area. Please respond to the survey via the link below to share your opinions on the current requirements as well as possible revisions to the requirements. Thank you for your time!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdxGc9-DNFJj0SKlhBD6RdgI6oio-D2IhbE6fso0fJHjf3Brw/viewform?usp=sf_link

For more information on this survey, contact Jaret Tomlinson at jtomlinson@ga.essd40.com or Jason Price at jprice@tuscumbialions.k12.mo.us.

Quote of the Week

"Don't limit yourself. Many people limit themselves to what they think they can do. You can go as far as your mind lets you. What you believe, you can

achieve." - Mary Kay Ash

MARE Welcomes SpyGlass - MARE is pleased to welcome SpyGlass as our newest Associate Member. Telecom providers know that you don't have the time or resources to dedicate to auditing your phone, internet and wireless bills, and expect that you won't catch costly mistakes and overcharges. SpyGlass is here to help you push back and identify mistakes and inefficiencies so you can stop overpaying and put more money on your bottom line. Our risk-free telecom expense audits find errors and inefficiencies in 90% of engagements. We'll tell you how we do it. Contact Jacob Farmer (jfarmer@spyglass.net) or Larry Seiler (lseiler@spyglass.net), (440) 348-9364, for more information!

Crisis Reality Training - Kim Cranston, Executive Director of MOASBO, shared some information on a crisis training program that you might have interest in. To learn more, please go to <http://crisisrealitytraining.com/>.

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