



MARE Focus

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FROM THE DESK OF MR. KEVIN SANDLIN, MARE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

ENDORSEMENTS

American Fidelity Assurance Co.

Claim Care, Inc.

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Hamlin Energy

IMS Technology

L.J. Hart & Company

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- LEGAL HOTLINE: EdCOUNSEL, GUIN MUNDORF, MICKES O'TOOLE, TUETH KEENEY
- EDPLUS
- AMERICAN LEGION BOYS STATE
- GIRLS STATE
- MISSOURI ADMIN. JOB POSTING

Superintendent Search Program – It has been a record-setting year (23) in regard to Superintendent Searches conducted by MARE. In fact, over the past two years, our organization has conducted more searches than any entity in Missouri. We are very proud of our quality program and our team of consultants including Dr. Mike Jinks, Dr. Paul Ricker, Dr. Jerry Cochran, Mr. Darryl Pannier and Mrs. Mary Beth Scherer. Our search fee is based on district enrollment as follows: 1-500 students (\$3,500.00), 501-1,000 students (\$4,000.00), 1,001-1,500 students (\$4,500.00), 1,501-2,000 students (\$5,000.00), 2,001-2,500 students (\$5,500.00), 2,501-3,000 students (\$6,000.00), etc. There are no additional charges for mileage, travel, etc. We view our Superintendent Search Program as a service provided to members and we stand ready to assist your district in the future should the need arise!

MARE Presents 2022 College Scholarship Awards - With increased funding from our annual Scholarship Golf Tournament and various other support, MARE was able to award twenty-three (23) \$1,000.00 college scholarships for the 2022-2023 school year. At our Awards Ceremony on Saturday, July 30th, nineteen (19) of these were presented. The remaining awards will be presented soon and additional photos will be added to this article.

Please check out the MARE website at www.moare.com for a photo gallery.

Grace Whitaker - Howard Heidbrink Scholarship

Ashley Ebeling - L.J. Hart & Company Scholarship

Payton Hosiner - William G. Peter Scholarship

Lisa Inlow - Philip C. Dorth Scholarship

Paige Doogs - Frank "Dean" Cone Scholarship

Justyce Brooks - David M. Cooper Scholarship

Jacob Keller - Kenneth W. Cook Scholarship

Brianna Shaver - Tom Quinn Scholarship

Jalen Drake - Ray Doerhoff Scholarship

Kyra Johnson - Veregy (formerly CTS) Scholarship

Amanda Mosher - STEP Up Consulting Scholarship

Reese Dodson - Forrest T. Jones Scholarship

Kaitlynn Heussner - Mickes O'Toole, LLC Scholarship

Gabriella Nagy - Guin Mundorf, LLC Scholarship

Ellie Crede - Tueth Keeney Cooper Mohan & Jackstadt, P.C. Scholarship

Katelyn Lumley - American Fidelity Assurance Scholarship

Emily Byrne - Missouri Education Health Group Scholarship

Calista Burns - UMB Bank Scholarship

Joshua French - MOCAAT Scholarship

Caleb Hatfield - Performance Services Scholarship

Lydia Withers - SlateXP (LearnSafe) Scholarship

Faith Harvey - Missouri Propane Gas Association Scholarship

Gerri Madison - SIC Roofing Scholarship

**** Special thanks to our very generous sponsors for providing the support for many of these awards!**

Mickes O'Toole Training Opportunity

Title IX Training

Title IX Coordinators, investigators, decision makers, and district advisors under the New Regulations are responsible for understanding and ensuring compliance with a complex set of federal laws. As of August 14, 2020 new Title IX regulations regarding sexual harassment have gone into place. These new rules add extra responsibilities and modify many common practices. Mickes O'Toole will provide attendees with targeted training and guidance on how to monitor compliance, implement policies, evaluate complaints, conduct investigations, enforce disciplinary actions, and maintain proper documentation. ***This training is for new Title IX Coordinators and all those needing a refresher.***

August 9, 2022 | 9 am - 1 pm

Webinar

Please use the link below to register.

If you have any questions, please direct them to Heather Lawson at hlawson@mickesotoole.com

[Registration and More Info](#)

SchoolCEO Conference – Sponsored by Apptegy

The next SchoolCEO Conference is October 2 & 3. Hosted by Apptegy, this conference for superintendents focuses on the power of brand, culture, and influence and is designed for superintendents. Learn more about SchoolCEO Conference here and use code #MOARE22 just for our members. Learn more at apptegy.com/conference

MARE District Membership – MARE membership has hit an all-time high of **404 school district members** with the recent additions of Camdenton R-III, Gasconade Co. R-I, Brookfield R-III, Naylor R-II and Norwood R-I. We greatly appreciate all of our member districts and we look forward to working with you! The organization is growing on several fronts. We hope to continue to add services, products and opportunities for our members in the near future! If you have questions about MARE and the benefits of belonging, call me!

12th MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament – Hot but Awesome!

The 12th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament was held on Monday, July 18th at the beautiful Osage National Golf Course in Lake Ozark, Missouri. Although it was hot, the event was awesome. We had 33 teams with 123 golfers participating. Thanks to all of those who played in support of this event! Special thanks to our various corporate sponsors, hole sponsors and prize sponsors listed below. We are overwhelmed with the generous support for this annual tournament. Due to this support, we are committed to providing even more scholarships for future teachers next year!

Next year's event is scheduled at Osage National on Monday, July 17th! We will accept the first 36 paid teams to join us as we continue to raise money to support scholarships for students interested in becoming teachers here in Missouri! This past year with funds raised from the 11th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament and matching funds from EdCounsel, LLC, MARE provided \$38,000.00 in scholarship funds to 53 students. Special thanks also to Ryan, Larry and the entire crew at Osage National for an amazing job running the event for us!

Please access this article on the MARE website to see a gallery of photos from the day!

Corporate Sponsors - Veregy (formerly CTS) - Founding Collaborator Flight (\$5,000.00), **STEP Up Consulting - Founding Collaborator Flight** (\$5,000.00), **UMB - Platinum Flight** (\$4,000.00), **L.J. Hart & Company - Gold Flight** (\$3,000.00), **Missouri Propane Gas - Silver Flight** (\$2,500.00), **MEUHP - Silver Flight** (\$2,000.00), **SIC Roofing - Silver Flight** (\$2,000.00), **Forrest T. Jones - Bronze Flight** (\$1,000.00), **Guin Mundorf, LLC - Bronze Flight** (\$1,000.00), **Mickes O'Toole, LLC - Bronze Flight** (\$1,000.00), **Missouri Education Health Group - Bronze Flight** (\$1,000.00), **MOCAAT - Bronze Flight** (\$1,000.00), **Tueth Keeney, P.C. - Bronze Flight** (\$1,000.00), **Performance Services - Bronze Flight** (\$1,000.00), **American Fidelity - Bronze Flight** (\$1,000.00) and **SlateXP (LearnSafe) - Bronze Flight** (\$1,000.00)

Hole Sponsors - (\$250.00 each) - MRTA, GRP/WEGMAN, Universal Construction, Gator Graphics, NREA, Wagner Portrait Group, Hamlin Energy, Apple Bus, Navitas, MUSIC, EdCounsel, LLC, Central States Bus, Missouri Goodwill Excel, Reynolds Construction Company, Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Tueth Keeney, P.C., Audio Enhancement, , K12itc, Missouri Educator's Trust/Gallagher, Bukaty Companies - Jeff Walstrom, Integrated Facility Services, and Sunshine Dental Associates

Prize Sponsors - L.J. Hart & Company (Cardinal Tickets), **Forrest T. Jones** (Royals Tickets & Parking), **Missouri Goodwill Excel** (Cardinal Tickets), **Osage National** (2 Foursomes with cart packages), **STEP Up Consulting** (\$100.00 Osage National Gift Card), **Missouri Propane Gas** (\$500.00 in various prizes and gift cards), **Raymond James** (Pro VI Golf Balls

& 2 gift cards),

Flight A Winners - Weaver/Kruse/Gemes **Flight A Runner Up** - Albertson/Irwin/Judd/Beckett

Flight B Winners - Clawson/Nagel/Sherrow/Garber **Flight B Runner Up** - Pink/LaRue/Perry/Amos

Flight C Winners - Fuemmeler/Garner/Copple/Craig **Flight C Runner Up** - Paldino/Woodson/Troilo

Flight D Winners - Massey/Wistrom/Eggleston/Carter **Flight D Runner Up** - Kirk/St. Denis/Loveridge/Wickam

Closest to the Pin Winners - Todd McCrackin (2), John Cochran (1), Shawn Randles (1)

Long Drive Winner - Becky Esrock

NREA News - For all of the latest news from our national affiliate, please click on these links: [July 22nd NREA Weekly Update](#), [July 29th NREA Weekly Update](#)

2022 MARE/MO K-8 Fall Conference - Make plans now to join us for the 2022 MARE/MO K-8 Conference which will be held Wednesday, October 19th through Friday, October 21st at the Lodge of Four Seasons in Lake Ozark, Missouri. Your support of this growing event will be greatly appreciated and I promise you will enjoy it!

[2022 Conference "Call for Presentations" Proposal](#)

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2022 Lead School Nurse Collaborative

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The MO Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) School Health Program is offering an event for Lead School Nurses/Coordinators of Health Services.

Date and Location: August 19, 2022 8:00 AM-3:30 PM Governor Office Building Room #450 200 Madison Street Jefferson City, MO 65101

Purpose: To provide lead school nurses with updates on programs and initiatives at the state level related to child and adolescent health, school health issues, and school health program resources. As we finalize the agenda, some topics to be covered include updates on immunizations, chronic disease, COVID-19, Medicaid, and much more.

Who should attend: RNs and LPNs working as the district Lead Nurse or Coordinator of Health Services.

Cost: No cost for registration. There is a daily fee for parking in the municipal garage of \$6.

Registration: https://missouriwic.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_40yAIFQ2iwf0m9M Please register by Aug. 4, 2022.

Following registration, participants will receive a confirmation email with details and other pertinent information. Please note: The emails are sent manually, so allow a week for confirmation to be returned.

Learning Blade Back-to-School Webinars for Missouri Educators

Register for the **Learning Blade Back-to-School Introductory Webinars** to hear more about how to utilize this **FREE** resource that offers **online interdisciplinary STEM and computer science lessons and offline resources** to enhance your career awareness and **meet Perkins V CTE requirements for career exploration**.

Explore Learning Blade's NEW 20+ hour **"Introduction to Coding"** course for middle school by attending our FREE Back to School Professional Development session.



"Introduction to Coding" Professional Development is accredited by the Computer Science Teachers Association (CSTA) for quality PD.

Click on the images below to register for the webinars.



**Tuesday, August 30, 2022, at 4 pm CT
2022, at 4 pm CT**

Wednesday, September 7,

Need your account: www.LearningBlade.com/MO

Quote of the Week

"Mentorship is an easy way to retain school leaders. Connection is key. Relationships are gold." Anonymous

New Associate Members – MARE is pleased to welcome MERS Missouri Goodwill, Sumner One, Globe Family Life Heritage & Innovative Options, LLC as new or returning Associate Members. Check out our website for current or soon-to-be posted feature articles on this companies.

MARE Board Training Opportunities - MARE will provide Board Training in 2022 for newly elected or appointed BOE members according to the schedule noted below:

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

- **Wednesday, October 19, 2022 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)**
- **Thursday, October 20, 2022 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)**

Lake Ozark, MO - The Lodge of the Four Seasons (Deadline - November 19th!)

- **Friday, December 9, 2022 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)**
- **Saturday, December 10, 2022 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)**

To register, please complete the form found on our website and fax to (660) 747-8160, scan and email to ksandlin@moare.com, or go online (www.moare.com).

Why Join MARE? – On occasion, I am asked by Superintendents, Board Secretaries or Board Members, “Why should our district join MARE?” Although I am always surprised by this question, I believe that there are a number of valid reasons for districts to join. Below is a brief listing of some of the major reasons:

- 1) MARE Legal Hotline Service – Through partnerships with EdCounsel, Guin Munderf, Mickes O’Toole and Thomeczek & Brink, districts have access to frontline education attorneys who can assist with various day-to-day questions and issues that arise under certain conditions.
- 2) Scholarship Programs – MARE operates two scholarship programs that since 2017 have provided \$173,500.00 in scholarships to students interested in becoming teachers.
- 3) Superintendent Searches – MARE provides a quality, yet affordable Superintendent and Building Principal Search Service Program.
- 4) Board Training – MARE is an approved Board Training provider offering both the initial 18.5 hours of mandatory training and annual refresher training as stipulated by Missouri State Statute 162.203. These trainings are conducted in person and held regionally around the state each year.
- 5) State Advocacy – MARE is a member of the School Administrator’s Coalition (SAC) with several other educational associations. SAC representatives advocate passionately each year on behalf of Missouri public schools.
- 6) National Advocacy – MARE is a member of the National Rural Education Association which represents the interests of rural public schools in national forums where education issues are decided.
- 7) Discounted products and services – Many of our Associate Members offer discounted or money-saving products and services to our member districts.
- 8) Missouri Boys & Girls State – MARE sponsors students from member districts each year to attend both of these amazing events.
- 9) MARE Leadership – MARE is led by ten regional school district representatives, two at-large BOE member seats, 1 MO K-8 representative, 1 Higher Education representative and two Advisory Board representatives.

We also have partnerships with providers for SDAC, Direct Billing and an Energy Management Program that can meet your needs and save your district money. While the list above contains many of the major reasons in support of MARE membership, there are numerous others. I would welcome the opportunity to visit with any district concerning MARE. I can be reached by phone at (660) 747-8050!

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