



# MARE Focus

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**MARE Membership** - Our organization simply could not exist or provide the services, products and benefits to our member school districts without the support of both our 381 member school districts ([2020-2021 MARE Membership](#)) and our generous MARE Associate Members ([2020-2021 Associate Members](#)). Invoices for our school district members will be mailed from this office on or before, Friday, June 19th. If you do not see your name on the attached membership list and would like to become a member of MARE, please email me at [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com) or call the office at (660) 747-8050. Access this link ([MARE Membership Benefits](#)) to see a flyer that shares some of the many benefits that your MARE membership provides for the affordable cost of \$400.00 per year for K-8 districts or \$500.00 per year for K-12 districts!

**MARE Board Training Program Update** - Please note the scheduled training opportunities below:

### Northeast Missouri - Clark Co. R-I School District - (660) 727-2377

- Friday, June 12, 2020 - (3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 13, 2020 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

### Southwest Missouri - Bolivar, MO - Comfort Inn - (417) 326-6169

- Friday, June 12, 2020 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 13, 2020 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

### Southeast Missouri - Poplar Bluff, MO - Holiday Inn - (573) 712-9021

- Friday, June 19, 2020 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 20, 2020 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

### Northwest Missouri - Maryville, MO - Holiday Inn Express (660) 562-9949

- Friday, June 26, 2020 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 27, 2020 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

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

- Wednesday, October 21, 2020 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)
- Thursday, October 22, 2020 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

**\*\*\*PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ANY NEW BOARD MEMBER(S) NEEDING THE EIGHTEEN AND ONE-HALF (18.5) HOURS OF REQUIRED TRAINING.**

To register, please complete the form found on our website and fax to (660) 747-8160, scan and email to [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com), or go online ([www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com)) and complete the electronic form found under Board Training.

**Dates and locations may change due to unforeseen circumstances!!!**

**MARE DOJ Grant Update** - Thank you to the eighty-seven (87) districts that signed on to participate in the DOJ Grant that we have been collaboratively working on with the team at SlateXP (LearnSafe) and the University of Missouri at Columbia. Over 60,000 student lives were included in the proposal. We even have a waiting list of five (5) schools if the opportunity for expansion becomes a reality. More information will be shared in future MARE Focus articles and on the MARE website as it becomes available!

**Summer Law Workshop Schedule** - Please access the links below for the latest information on the various Summer Law Workshop schedules from our partners at EdCounsel, Guin Mundorf, Mickes O'Toole and Tueth Keeney.

[EdCounsel Summer Law Workshops](#)  
[Guin Mundorf, LLC Summer Law Workshops](#)  
[Mickes O'Toole Summer Law Workshops](#)  
[Tueth Keeney Summer Law Workshops](#)

**Scholarship Program Information** - Listed below are the individuals who received scholarships through our two scholarship programs this year:

**MARE/EdCounsel HS Senior Scholarship Program**

Kayleigh Bates, Ariana Carmichael, Kesly Carrington, Eva Clubbs, Chelsie Collins, LaKota Collins-Honeycutt, Hanah Corpening, Reagan Hill, Lauren Hoerstkamp, Alexander Jackson, Ashlyn Lewis, Bailey Lynn, Clinton McGill, Brendan Myers, Kortney Nelson, Conner Orgill, Lydia Otten, Grace Parrott, Travis Patrick, Kennedy Ponder, Canton Post, Colbe Radford, Saedee Sherwood, Hailey Stewart, Mariah Taylor, Carlos Valdez, Abigail Verts, Dawson Wheeler and Madelyn Wilford

**MARE College Scholarship Program**

Luella Yoder - University of Central Missouri  
Lynsie Boling - Hannibal-LaGrange University  
Madeline Goehman - Central Methodist University  
Kaylyn Bryant - Missouri State University  
Madeline Phillips - Missouri Southern State University  
Audrey Williams - Lincoln University  
Abigail Bilyeu - Missouri State University  
Tayler Allen - Central Methodist University  
Addilyn Hays - Central Methodist University  
Bailey Owens - Northwest Missouri State University  
Abigail Naylor - Central Methodist University  
Kendey Eaton - Northwest Missouri State University  
Michael Willhite - Southwest Baptist University  
Alan Ottman - Northwest Missouri State University  
Zachary Studdard - Missouri State University

\*\* Photos and other information will be posted to the MARE website at [www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com) soon regarding these students!!

**Please join me in congratulating all of these students!**

**Board Refresher Training - New Videos Coming** - We are in the early phases of planning to produce a new Board Refresher Training video for the 2020-2021 school year. Along with information on the prevention of sexual abuse of children, the video will contain other useful information for current Board members. If you have suggestions for topics to be covered in the new video, please share that information with me by calling (660) 747-8050 or emailing me at [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com). **A link to the video will be shared with all MARE member school districts in August or September!**

**2020 MARE/MO K-8 Conference** - Scheduled on October 21-23, 2020 at the Lodge of Four Seasons. **Please make plans now to attend this growing event!** We will have five legal sessions, a Legal Panel, presentations from Dr. Margie Vandeven, Dr. Kari Monsees, Dr. Chris Neale, DESE Special Education, Federal Programs, "Outstanding Rural Awards" Luncheon, two receptions, great food, vendor hall, and many other opportunities to grow, learn and collaborate.

**Please access the links for Conference Registration, Exhibitor Registration, Call for Presentations and Outstanding Rural Education Awards found on the cover of this MARE Focus article!**

**10th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament** - The Missouri Association of Rural Education will be hosting our 10th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament on Monday, July 20th at the beautiful Osage National Golf Course in Lake Ozark, Missouri. Over the past three years, with the assistance of our generous sponsors, we have been able to award \$76,000.00 in scholarship awards to both graduating HS Seniors and College Juniors/Seniors who have goals of becoming teachers in Missouri rural schools. Our annual golf tournament is our primary fundraiser to support these awards. Linked below this message are the various documents associated with this event including the Golf Tournament Flyer, Registration Form, Sponsorship Form, Letter to Superintendents and a Letter to Business Partners. Since our event is not directly tied to the annual DESE Summer Conference this year, we will be offering a Legal Seminar the morning of the event prior to registration and tournament play. More information will be released soon regarding that opportunity. If you have questions regarding this event, please reach out directly to me at (660) 747-8050 or by email at [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com).

[Golf Sponsorship Information](#)  
[Golf Tournament Registration](#)

## **MARE Welcomes Board Works as Associate Member**



**K-12 supplemental resources to *empower teachers and engage students!***

[Boardworks Education](#) is currently partnering with NREA & thousands rural school districts to bring high quality, K-12 supplemental content, that is standards-aligned across all core subjects.

As a new member to the MOARE family, we would like to invite you to **join the team from Boardworks for an informational webinar at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 18th.** Boardworks provides a downloadable library of 40,000+ pre-made interactive slides that helps *empower teachers and engage students* whether in the classroom or from home as a solution to distance learning needs in a rural setting.

**Benefits of Boardworks for MOARE member districts:**

- Optimize the effective use of your existing instructional technology
- Empower your teachers with interactive content to engage students in and out of class

- Contains thousands of visual and interactive activities to engage all types of learners
- Enable greater instructional consistency across your entire district
- Editable to support personalization and differentiation for students and teachers
- Simple implementation and ease of use saves teachers time and the district money
- Over 40,000 TEKS-aligned slides across core subjects K-12
- Affordable **one-time purchase** that provides a district wide life-time license.

[Boardworks for MARE Members](#)

## **MUSIC COVID-19 Complimentary Courses**

### **COVID-19 Complimentary Courses from SafeSchools**

MUSIC wants to make members aware of six complimentary SafeSchool courses available to members. These courses have been uploaded to the SafeSchools library and the MUSIC bundle, allowing LMS administrators to assign, track, and report completions on each module. Courses include the following:

**Coronavirus: CDC Guidelines for Making and Using Cloth Face Coverings** (9 Minutes)

**Coronavirus Awareness** (10 Minutes)

**Coronavirus: Cleaning and Disinfecting Your Workplace** (10 Minutes)

**Coronavirus: Managing Stress and Anxiety** (12 Minutes)

**Coronavirus: Preparing Your Household** (9 Minutes)

**Coronavirus: Transitioning to a Remote Workforce** (11 Minutes)

**Coronavirus: Reopening Your Organization (Coming Soon)**

Check the COVID-19 link under the **News** tab on the MUSIC website for new courses.

If you have any questions about training, please do not hesitate to contact Jackie Turnage-Ferber, Client Training and Technology Coordinator at [jackie\\_turnage-ferber@ajg.com](mailto:jackie_turnage-ferber@ajg.com) or 314-800-2234.

### **2020 Health Office Orientation** - *2020 Health Office Orientation Updated*

Missouri Association of Rural Education (MARE) is partnering with the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) School Health Program and the Missouri Association of School Nurses (MASN) to offer an orientation for health office staff.

**Date and Location:** The unusual circumstances presented by the COVID-19 pandemic event has caused us to re-think and adjust the plan for the annual program. This year, the Health Office Orientation will be offered as a *virtual* training and orientation package. Learning modules will be posted and the link to accessing the required modules will be shared upon registration. An online live event will be held to allow participants to come together and share their challenges and concerns, and talk with our faculty in follow up to the learning modules, asking questions and clarifying how to apply the materials to their school nursing practice.

**Purpose:** This virtual workshop provides a series of online modules to assist in orienting nurses without prior work experience in schools and an overview of information regarding school nursing practice.

Areas to be addressed include: general school nurse responsibilities, immunizations, communicable diseases, documentation, chronic disease management, medication administration training and screenings- vision, hearing, dental; as well as review of practices in Special Education Services; Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), and child abuse reporting.

**Who should attend:** Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical Nurses who have not previously worked in schools, and new health office staff in schools, working without the benefit of a LPN or RN supervisor.

**Cost:** No cost for registration.

**Registration:** [https://missouriwic.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_0iZzZfVt9VQyvYh](https://missouriwic.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0iZzZfVt9VQyvYh)

Deadline for Registration is July 24, 2020

After confirmation of your registration, the School Health Program will send the information for accessing the learning modules, additional program information and the schedule of dates for completing the materials and the virtual interactive live meeting.

*(Note: The emails are sent manually, so you will not receive an automatic confirmation response)*

**For additional workshop information call Heather at the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services at (573) 526-5872 or email: [Heather.McClure@health.mo.gov](mailto:Heather.McClure@health.mo.gov)**

**Mexico 59 Assistant Elementary Principal Vacancy** - The Mexico 59 School District is accepting applications for an Assistant Elementary Principal for the 2020-2021 school year. For more information, please access the information on the MARE website at [www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com).

**NREA News** - For all of the latest news from our national affiliate, please click on this link: [NREA News](#)

## **Quote of the Week**

**"Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other." John F. Kennedy**

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