



MARE Focus

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Grant Opportunities Available - There is still time for your district to be included in the DOJ Preventing School Violence and/or the CCU Plus SMARTS Grant Opportunity. Please access the MARE website at www.moare.com, Select Communications at the top of the page, click on Publications and access the MARE Focus article from May 20, 2020 for more information. If you have further questions, please contact me! These are two awesome opportunities for schools to engage in!

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](#)

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

Please join me in congratulating all of these students!

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 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

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

Mickes O'Toole - Title IX Presentation

Join Mickes O'Toole attorneys [Natalie Hoernschemeyer](#) & [Grant Wiens](#) for a FREE Presentation on the New Rules regarding Sexual Harassment under Title IX.

The half hour video presentation will be available on Friday June 5th, 2020.

Please use the link below to register for access to the video.

**JUNE 5, 2020
SPOTLIGHT SERIES
FREE PRESENTATION**



[Register Here](#)



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

West Central Missouri - Warrensburg, MO - Comfort Inn - (660) 429-4848

- Friday, June 5, 2020 - (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 6, 2020 - (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

Northeast Missouri - Sturgeon R-V School District - (573) 687-3515

- Friday, June 5, 2020 - (3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 6, 2020 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

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

Dates and locations may change due to unforeseen circumstances!

MARE Welcomes Office Essentials as New Associate Member



Office Essentials is a Missouri-based business that is proud to be one of the top 10 largest Independent Office Supply/Furniture Dealers in the United States. We have been in business for over 18 years. We offer our local communities a wide variety of resources that benefit our schools and the children they teach. We have your educators covered from classic educational items such as paper and pens to white boards and mobile lecterns. Office Essentials offers items in every category: educational items, classroom and office furniture, janitorial and breakroom as well as printing and copier technology. We offer free next day delivery at competitive pricing. We are proud to be a partner of your association and would appreciate the opportunity to be a valued resource for you and your teachers.

"It was a pleasure working with Office Essentials on our newest learning space, Willard Intermediate School-South! Their support was an integral part of creating a collaborative environment for our life-ready learners! Their attention to detail was a great asset to finish an on-time and on-budget project last fall."

Dr. Derrick Hutsell
Willard R-II School District

Click for more information about our categories:

Educational/Classroom Supplies

[School Supplies Catalog](#)

Office Furniture/Meeting Rooms

[HON Learning K-12 Catalog](#)

[HON NOW Express Order Catalog](#)

Janitorial and Breakroom Supplies

[Product Line Summary](#)

Copiers and Printers

[Printer Specials](#)

For more information please contact Dave Holmin at 217-741-9869 or email at dholmin@offess.com

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

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.

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.

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

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!

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](#)

Quote of the Week

“You never teach a subject, you always teach a child. You teach children in a way that they will learn, and then things will fall in place for them.” - Dorothy Height

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