



# MARE Focus

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## ENDORSEMENTS

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- EDPLUS
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- MISSOURI ADMIN. JOB POSTING

## MARE Superintendent Searches

**Closed Superintendent Searches: Central R-III, West St. Francois Co. R-IV, Scott County R-IV and Hermitage R-IV**

## Other Vacancies

- We have the following additional vacancies posted on our site:

- Malden R-I School District - Superintendent of Schools for 2019-2020
- Richland R-IV School District - Superintendent of Schools for 2019-2020
- Doniphan R-I School District - Superintendent of Schools for 2019-2020
- Holcomb R-III School District - Superintendent of Schools for 2019-2020
- West St. Francois Co. R-IV - High School Principal, Middle School Principal and Elementary Principal

## Superintendent Search Services

- One of the services that MARE provides is a professional, yet affordable Superintendent or Building Administrator Search Service Program. Our team of Search Consultants includes Dr. Mike Jinks, Dr. Paul Ricker and Dr. Craig Eaton. If you are retiring or moving to another location, we would welcome the opportunity to put together a search proposal for your school district. More information regarding this program can be found on our website at [www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com).

## MARE Associate Directory - Coming Soon!

- One of the projects that we are working on is to create a MARE Associate Directory that will provide information for our member school districts. I am requesting that all of our Associate Members send me an email containing a paragraph that highlights your organization, including contact information, a link to your website and a picture and or logo to include. The directory will be organized by services or products provided.

## School Board Training Dates

- MARE will be providing Board Training as indicated below:

Poplar Bluff Holiday Inn - Friday, November 30, 2018 and Saturday, December 1, 2018

We will be announcing a training event in NE soon!

To register, go online ([www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com)) and complete the electronic form found under Board Training or contact Kevin Sandlin at [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com).

## Legal Articles

- Check out the various legal articles posted on our website at [www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com). Special thanks to our partners at EdCounsel, Mickes O'Toole, Guin Mundorf, and Tueth Keeney for providing these articles.

**2018-2019 Missouri School Directories** - We have some additional directories available for purchase at \$15.00 each. These make wonderful Christmas presents for secretaries, bookkeepers, administrators and athletic directors. Please contact me if you are interested in purchasing a copy!

**MARE Associate Members** - If you are in need of products or services, please give one of our Associate Members a call. Please access this link for a complete listing of current [Associate Members](#).

**Coordinating School Health Conference** - The 26th Annual Coordinated School Health Conference is scheduled for November 29-December 1, 2018 at the Lodge of Four Seasons. Make plans now to attend! For more information on this event, please access the website: [www.healthykidsmo.org](http://www.healthykidsmo.org).

### **Quote of the Week**

“Teachers don't just teach; they can be vital personalities who help young people to mature, to understand the world, and to understand themselves. A good education consists of much more than useful facts and marketable skills.”

– **Charles Platt**

**Save the Date** - Make plans now to participate in the 9th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament to be held at Osage National Golf Course on Tuesday, July 30, 2019! More information will be provided next Spring!

**New Associate Members** - Please join me in welcoming the following to MARE as Associate Members:

Software Unlimited, Inc.  
Missouri Propane Education & Research Council  
Web Schools Tools

**MARE Board Elections** - MARE will be electing Regional Executive Board Members in Regions A, C, E, G and I this year. Additionally, one member from a MARE member school district's Board of Education and a Higher Education representative will be selected. Board members will be announced at the May 6th Executive Board Meeting. Terms for newly elected or appointed members begin on July 1, 2019.

**Region A** Counties of: Bates, Vernon, Barton, Cedar, St. Clair, Benton, Hickory, Polk, and Dallas

**Region C** Counties of: Jasper, Newton, McDonald, Barry, Lawrence, Dade, Greene, Christian, Stone, Taney, and Webster

**Region E** Counties of: Dunklin, Pemiscot, New Madrid, Mississippi, Scott, Stoddard, Gape Girardeau, Bollinger, Madison, Wayne and Butler

**Region G** Counties of: Wright, Douglas, Ozark, Texas, Howell, Shannon, Oregon, Carter, and Ripley

**Region I** Counties of: Mercer, Grundy, Livingston, Carroll, Putnam, Sullivan, Linn, Chariton, Schuyler, Adair, Macon, Randolph, Howard and Boone

**Legal Hotline Service** – One of the greatest benefits that MARE member school districts receive is the opportunity to participate in the Legal Hotline Consultation Service. This service allows for unlimited telephone consultations with a school attorney to get answers to minor legal issues. The following terms pertain to this MARE member service:

- Annual MARE membership must be current.
- **The district staff making the call must inform the attorney that this is a MARE member school district phone call.**
- The service provided must be of an advisory nature.
- The service does not include the following:
  - 1) In-depth research
  - 2) Preparation of documents
  - 3) Review of documents mailed or faxed to the firm
  - 4) Written opinions
  - 5) Any consultation in conjunction with the firm's current representation of the district.

Participating firms include – EdCounsel, Guin Mundorf, Mickes O'Toole and Thomeczek & Brink (This firm sets an annual limit of two free legal consults regarding special education issues.) If you have questions regarding this service, please give me a call.

**2019 Boys State Information** - The American Legion Boys State of Missouri is an eight-day hands on experience in the operation and fundamentals of government. Missouri Boys State draws together the best and brightest high school juniors to help lead them down the path of individual success and leadership through "doing," not just learning. 2019 Boys State will be held June 15th through June 22nd at the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg. For more information, check out the website at [www.moboyssstate.org](http://www.moboyssstate.org).

**MARE Scholarship Programs** – The Missouri Association of Rural Education sponsors two scholarship programs. The first program is open to any Missouri college junior or senior who is majoring in education. Application materials will be sent to all Missouri colleges that have an education program in early December. The second program is open to seniors of MARE member school districts. Eligible students must be planning to pursue a degree in education. Information regarding this program will be sent out to all High School Counselors in early December. Please check our website for more information soon!

**Did You Know?** - The Missouri Association of Rural Education currently has 379 member schools districts ranging in size from 19 to 6,434 students. In January, MARE will be celebrating 32 years of promoting, providing services for and protecting rural school districts across this great state. **If you would like more information about MARE, please reach out to me!**

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