



MARE Focus

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ENDORSEMENTS

- American Fidelity Assurance Co.
- Benefits 360 LLC
- Claim Care, Inc.
- CTS Group
- Forrest T. Jones & Co.
- IMS Technology
- L.J. Hart & Company
- MASA MTS
- MEUHP
- Mike Keith Insurance
- M.U.S.I.C.
- MO. Consultants for Ed.
- Pro Energy Solutions, LLC
- SOCS
- MARE PARTNERSHIPS**
- LEGAL HOTLINE: ED COUNSEL, GUIN MUNDORF, MICKES O'TOOLE, TUETH KEENEY
- EDPLUS
- AMERICAN LEGION BOYS STATE
- GIRLS STATE
- MISSOURI ADMIN. JOB POSTING

MARE Superintendent Searches

MARE has been retained to conduct the following Superintendent Searches:

Superintendent Search - Community R-VI - Dr. Paul Ricker is the Search Consultant. Paul can be reached by phone at (573) 365-4703 or by email at paulricker1@charter.net. **Application deadline - Friday, November 13th!**

Superintendent Search - Gasconade Co. R-II - Dr. Jerry Cochran is the Search Consultant. Jerry can be reached by phone at (660) 596-3184 or by email at cochranj115@gmail.com. **Application deadline - Friday, November 13th!**

Superintendent Search - Strafford R-VI - Dr. Mike Jinks is the Search Consultant. Mike can be reached by phone at (660) 441-7473 or by email at 19mj46@charter.net. **Application deadline is Friday, November 20th!**

Other Vacancies

Superintendent of Schools - Worth Co. R-III - Contact Patricia Warner, Board President, to obtain an application and information at (660) 254-0998 or tishwar@nwmissouri.edu.

Superintendent of Schools - North Harrison R-III - Contact Todd Willhite at superintendent@nhr3.net or (660) 867-5221.

2020 MARE/MO K-8 Conference

Special thanks to all of those who attended and supported our annual MARE/MO K-8 Conference this year! Overall, the conference was a huge success and we are already making plans for next year's event which will be held Wednesday, October 20th-22, 2021 at the beautiful Lodge of Four Seasons. By group, we had the following participants this year:

Regular Attendees - Over 215 signed up - 165 attended

Presenters - 45

Exhibitors - 42 Booths with 75 representatives in attendance

Please make plans now to join us next year as we continue to grow our annual conference and make it "your conference" to attend each fall!

MARE & LearnSafe Teaming Up to Offer Organizational Pricing

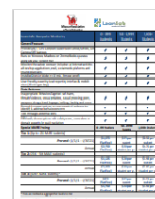
MARE and SlateXP (LearnSafe) have worked together to offer organizational pricing for the amazing software product that we were initially hoping to offer to MARE member school districts through our grant initiative. Since our grant project was not funded this cycle by the DOJ, we have collaborated to offer significantly discounted pricing to our members. LearnSafe provides student safety and peace of mind knowing that CIPA compliant monitoring is occurring on school-owned computers and that you have clear information to address concerning behavior. Access the links below for more details:



[About LearnSafe](#)



[MARE Pricing](#)



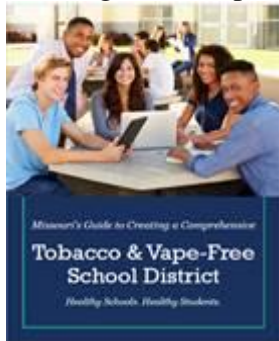
[More Details](#)

MARE Welcomes MDHSS Tobacco Prevention & Control Program

MARE is pleased to welcome MDHSS Tobacco Prevention & Control as one of our newest Associate Members. The Missouri Tobacco Prevention and Control Program's (TPCP) vision is a tobacco free Missouri. The Program works to improve health by promoting and supporting tobacco free environments and lifestyles through the following goals: prevent initiation of tobacco use among youth and young adults, promote quitting among youth and adults, eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke and reduce the impact on populations disproportionately affected by tobacco. Program staff provide tools, resources, training, support and technical assistance to youth advocacy groups, schools, community-based coalitions, organizations and partners on effective strategies to reduce and prevent tobacco use and exposure and reduce tobacco-related disparities.

[Missouri's Guide to Creating a Comprehensive Tobacco and Vape-Free School District](#) is a resource to assist schools in developing policies to prevent and reduce tobacco use and exposure. The Guide and fillable tools are available on the [Department of Health and Senior Services' website](#). Assistance on using the Guide and developing a comprehensive tobacco and vape-free school policy is also available by calling the Missouri Tobacco Prevention and Control Program at (573) 522-2820.

TPCP also manages the Missouri Tobacco Quitline (1-800-QUIT-NOW or www.quitnow.net/missouri), a free service that provides cessation coaching, information and resources on how to quit, and, if eligible, FDA-approved cessation medications to Missouri residents ages 13 and older who want to quit smoking, vaping, or chewing nicotine products.



Legal Articles - Please check out our website for legal articles shared by our partners at EdCounsel, Mickes O'Toole, Guin Mundorf and Tueth Keeney!

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

**** Since we had to cancel the Conference Board Training event and the Unionville Training event, we are looking to add a few additional trainings around the state before mid-February. Stay tuned!**

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!!!

NREA News - For all of the latest news from our national affiliate, please click on these links: [NREA Weekly Update - October 30, 2020](#), [NREA Weekly Update - November 6, 2020](#)

Quote of the Week

“In three words I can sum up everything I’ve learned about life. It goes on.”
Robert Frost

MARE Welcomes Solution Tree as New Associate Member



The Solution Tree Missouri Branch office is honored to work with the Missouri Association of Rural Education. We know it is sometimes difficult to get all of the necessary resources and support into schools and districts in rural areas. Solution Tree has over 20 years of experience of providing research based resources from well-known authors. These resources include books, workshops, conferences, professional development, virtual/online training, and online resources.

MARE member school districts are eligible for a 20% discount on Solution Tree books. Click on the link to access the [Solution Tree Catalog](#). In order to use the 20% discount, place your order through Jean Burnstine, the Missouri Director of Educational Partnerships. Her email is located below.

Superintendents in MARE member school districts will receive a free 6-month trial of Global PD. [Global PD](#) is an online resource with more than 700 video clips, 600 book chapters, reproducibles, and mini courses all structured to help schools and districts succeed. The typical 14-day trial has been extended to 6 months for MARE Superintendents only. Please contact Ben Tilley or Jean Burnstine for a free trial.

Solution Tree also offers a number of free resources for schools and school districts. Links to reproducibles, study guides, blog articles, webinars, book studies, All Things PLC tools and resources, All Things Assessment tools, and other resources may be accessed [here](#).

For additional information, please contact Ben Tilley or Jean Burnstine.

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MARE Scholarship Information – MARE awarded a total of 43 scholarships last year including 15 - \$1,000.00 scholarships to college juniors/seniors and 28 - \$500.00 scholarships to graduating seniors from MARE member school districts. Proceeds from the annual golf tournament are our primary source of funding for scholarships. Due to the generous support of many of our Associate Members and other donors, we hope to award even more scholarships in 2021. Information will be sent out in December for both of these opportunities!

11th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament - Monday, July 19th at Osage National Golf Course in Lake Ozark, Missouri. More information will be posted on the website soon! Make plans now to join this growing event!

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