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MARE Focus

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MARE Superintendent Searches - 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.

Active Searches:

Northeast Nodaway Co. R-V - Dr. Mike Jinks is the Search Consultant. He can be reached by phone at (660) 441-7473 or by email at 19mj46@charter.net. To apply for this position, please access the information on the MARE website at www.moare.com. The deadline to apply for this position is Friday, February 1st!

<u>Madison C-3</u> - Dr. Paul Ricker is the Search Consultant. He can be reached by phone at (573) 365-4703 or by email at <u>paulricker1@charter.net</u>. To apply for this position, please access the information on the MARE website at <u>www.moare.com</u>. The deadline to apply for this position is February 22, 2019.

Otterville R-VI - Dr. Craig Eaton is the Search Consultant. He can be reached by phone at (660) 492-0811 or by email at craigdeaton87@gmail.com. More information will be posted soon regarding this vacancy.

Closed Searches:

Central R-III, West St. Francois Co. R-IV, Scott Co. R-IV & Hermitage R-IV

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

Maries Co. R-II (Belle) School District - Superintendent of Schools for 2019-2020 Neelyville R-IV School District - Superintendent of Schools for 2019-2020 Richland R-IV School District - Superintendent of Schools for 2019-2020 Gasconade County R-II School District - High School Principal for 2019-2020 Lincoln Co. R-III (Troy) School District - High School Principal for 2019-2020 West St. Francois Co. R-IV - High School Principal, Middle School Principal and Elementary Principals for 2019-2020

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 a number of required Board Training sessions around the state after the April elections. Be sure to check out our website for more information soon concerning these regional events. To register, go online (www.moare.com) and complete the electronic form found under Board Training or contact Kevin Sandlin at ksandlin@moare.com.

<u>Legal Articles</u> — Check out the various legal articles posted on our website at www.moare.com. Special thanks to our partners at EdCounsel, Mickes O'Toole, Guin Mundorf, and Tueth Keeney for providing these articles.

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.

Quote of the Week

"Every time you stop a school, you will have to build a jail. What you gain at one end you lose at the other. It's like feeding a dog his own tail. It won't fatten the dog" - Mark Twain

9th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament - 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!

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.moboysstate.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 was sent out to all High School Counselors this week. Please access the information below:

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MUSIC Annual Membership Meeting - The 34th annual membership meeting will be held on Thursday, January 24th and Friday, January 25th at The Lodge of Four Seasons. To register for the meeting, please access this link: www.musicprogram.org

2019 MARE/MO K-8 Conference - The 2019 conference is set for Wednesday, October 23rd through Friday, October 25th at The Lodge of Four Seasons in Lake Ozark, Missouri. I encourage you to make plans now to attend and bring someone with you. If you have ideas or thoughts regarding our annual conference, please share those with me!

Grants Training in St. Louis, MO - March 7-8, 2019

St. Louis Community College - Forest Park and Grant Writing USA will present a two-day grants workshop in St. Louis, March 7-8, 2019. This training is for grant seekers across all disciplines. Attend this class and you'll learn how to find grants and write winning grant proposals.

Click here for full event details.

Beginning and experienced grant writers from city, county and state agencies as well as nonprofits, K-12, colleges and universities are encouraged to attend.

We are excited to offer Missouri Association of Rural Education members a special tuition rate of \$425 which includes everything: two days of terrific instruction, workbook, and access to our Alumni Forum that's packed full of tools, helpful discussions and more than 200 sample grant proposals. Please use discount code "MOASSN" to receive this \$30 discount off full price at registration.

Multi-enrollment discounts and discounts for Grant Writing USA returning alumni are also available. Tuition payment is not required at the time of enrollment.

Complete event details including learning objectives, class location, graduate testimonials and online registration are <u>available here.</u>

Contacts:

Janet Darling at Grant Writing USA 888.290.6237 toll free janet@grantwritingusa.com

Dr. William Hubble St. Louis Community College - Forest Park 314.644.9311 whubble1@stlcc.edu

More than 10,000 agencies across North America have turned to Grant Writing USA for grant writing and grant management training.

News from NREA

Dear NREA Member.

As you know, student loan debt is financially crippling for many people. To help alleviate this burden, NREA has partnered with *Gotzoom*, a company specializing in maximizing government cost reducing subsidy and forgiveness programs for loan holders. *GotZoom* has proven expertise in reducing student loan obligations by an average of 65% or more for public servants and are experts at securing loan forgiveness as well.

If you are a district superintendent and wish to learn more about how *GotZoom* can help your district employees, Breck Churchill has prepared a detailed 9-minute video presentation for your convenience. Click this link https://essources.com/nrea-district-

<u>presentation/</u> to view the video. To keep it simple, be sure to review the "Next Steps" suggestions under the video as well.

If you are a school employee and wish to learn more about how *GotZoom* can help you here is a link to a 3 minute video presentation for your convenience along with a button for you to sign up for a FREE look at your loan reducing potential. Click this link https://essources.com/nrea-district-employees/ to proceed.

We're very excited to bring this financial wellness opportunity to our member school districts and fellow public servants.

Dr. Darrell "Jack" Holley/MUSIC Scholarship Opportunity

Scholarship applications are being accepted for the 2019 Dr. Darrell "Jack" Holley/MUSIC scholarships. For more information on this opportunity please access the MUSIC website at: www.musicprogram.org.

Brain Injury Association - Sports Concussion Workshops

February 26, 2019 St. Louis Seminar - Spazio Westport

March 4, 2019 Kansas City Seminar - KC First Church of the Nazarene

(Both of these events run 7:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.)

March 11, 2019 Columbia Refresher - MSHSAA Office

(This event runs from 7:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.)

To register for any of these events, please access the registration form below:

..\All Locations Printable Registration.pdf

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