



MARE Focus

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- EDPLUS
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- MISSOURI ADMIN. JOB POSTING

Superintendent Search Program - One of the many services that MARE provides is a quality, yet affordable Superintendent Search Program. If you are retiring this year or making plans to move, we would welcome the opportunity to work with your district to find the next leader. Contact Kevin Sandlin, MARE Executive Director, at (666) 747-8050 or ksandlin@moare.com for more information.

MARE Welcomes New School District Members - MARE is thrilled to welcome Bolivar R-I, Climax Springs R-IV, Newburg R-II, Monett R-I, Spickard R-II, Bucklin R-II, Licking R-VIII, Appleton City R-II, Gilman City R-IV, Grain Valley R-V, Republic R-III, **Crane R-III & North Nodaway Co. R-VI** as new or returning MARE member school districts. These 13 schools are welcomed by the other 380 MARE member school districts. If you have questions about MARE membership, I would welcome the opportunity to visit with you!

MARE Welcomes New Associate Members - MARE is pleased to welcome STEP Up Consulting, Poettker Construction, Integrated Facility Services, FirED Up Consulting & **Universal Construction Company** as new Associate Members. More information will be provided in an upcoming MARE Focus and on the MARE website regarding these organizations and how they can be of service to your local school district.

MARE/MO K-8 Fall Conference - Make plans now to join us for the 2021 MARE/MO K-8 Conference which will be held Wednesday, October 20th through Friday, October 22nd at the Lodge of Four Seasons. Help us reach our goal of 200 attendees! Information is posted on the MARE website at www.moare.com!

- 2021 Conference Registration Form
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- 2021 Outstanding Rural Awards Nomination Form

Summer Legal Workshops Schedules - Please access the links below for the latest information on the various Summer Legal Seminar schedules from our partners at EdCounsel, LLC, Guin Mundorf, LLC, Mickes O'Toole, LLC and Tueth Keeney, P.C.

- [EdCounsel Summer School Law Seminars](#)
- [Guin Mundorf Annual School Law Seminars](#)
- [Mickes O'Toole 38th Annual School Law Seminars](#)

2021 MARE College Scholarship Awards

MARE presented sixteen \$1,000.00 scholarship awards at a special ceremony on Saturday, July 31st at the MRTA Building in Jefferson City. Those receiving awards included the following:

Kaitlynn Heussner - Howard Heidbrink Scholarship
Elizabeth Cochran - L.J. Hart & Company Scholarship
Paige Doogs - William G. Peter Scholarship
Madison Stahl - Philip C. Dorth Scholarship
Audrey Williams - Frank "Dean" Cone Scholarship
Garrett Hanlin - David M. Cooper Scholarship
Hannah Gebhardt - Kenneth W. Cook Scholarship
Melissa Gurley - Tom Quinn Scholarship
Payton Drake - Ray Doerhoff Scholarship
Dale Bagley - Veregy (formerly CTS) Scholarship
Madeline Phillips - Forrest T. Jones Scholarship
Mollie Lynn - Mickes O'Toole, LLC Scholarship
Kade Marnin - Guin Mundorf, LLC Scholarship
Caitlyn Nunez Redus - Tueth Keeney Cooper Mohan & Jackstadt, P.C. Scholarship
Ginger Klopping - American Fidelity Assurance Scholarship
Gabriella Nagy - Missouri Education Health Group Scholarship

Please join me in congratulating these recipients!

Defined Learning White Paper



WHITE PAPER

Evidence-Based Strategies to Boost Student Engagement & Success



The nearly \$200 billion in [ESSER funding](#) represents a unique opportunity for K-12 leaders to make significant investments in improving instruction and closing achievement gaps among students. In this paper, we'll explore two effective evidence-based educational approaches, **Understanding by Design (UbD)** and **Gold Standard Project-Based Learning (PBL)**, that K-12 leaders should consider as they aim to combat learning loss and drive student engagement.

In this complimentary white paper, we'll share what the experts say about the UbD and PBL approaches and provide examples from districts that have effectively implemented these strategies to boost student success.

[View White Paper](#)

Educators featured:



Tina Henckel

Director of STEM Education for Norwalk Public Schools, CT

John Larmer

Education consultant and PBL expert who co-developed the Gold-Standard model for PBL

Jay McTighe

Educator, author, and co-developer of the Understanding by Design framework

Get Schooled on Concussion for Missouri

The Brain Injury Association of Missouri (BIA-MO) *Sports Concussions: Facts, Fallacies and New Frontiers* Education offers additional support this year with the Get Schooled on Concussions website and resources.

The Get Schooled on Concussion for Missouri resources are **FREE of charge for EVERY SCHOOL** in Missouri through a partnership with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Service and the Missouri Athletic Trainers' Association **through JUNE 2022.**

The Get Schooled on Concussions (GSOC) resources are available to help teachers and school personnel:

- support students in return to learn following a concussion
- recognize a possible concussion
- gain knowledge about concussion management
- save time

The Get School on Concussion website features a Teacher Acute Concussions Tool (TACT) for teachers to implement individualized learning strategies to help a concussed student. The GSOC strategies are designed for elementary through high school students while they are recovering from a concussion.

The TACT strategies are based on short questionnaire about educational content, teaching style, environment and student factors. Teacher logs in the GSOC website to answer the five-minute questionnaire. Then individuals strategies are sent to their email inbox for the next four weeks with updated strategies to help support the student through

concussion recovery. Many times a 504 or IEP are not needed.

The Get Schooled on Concussion resources may be accessed at:

Website Link: [Get Schooled on Concussions for Missouri](#)

Login Password: TACTmissouri2022

You will be required to enter information your name, school or work email, school and district. Then you have access to the Teacher Acute Concussion Tool (TACT), Fact Sheets and Tutorial Videos as often as needed through June 2022.

For additional information to Get Schooled on Concussions for Missouri, contact the Brain Injury Association of Missouri at BIAMO.org, concussions@biamo.org or 1-800-444-6443.

Missouri Kids First Information

Dear _____:

Child sexual abuse is a trauma that impacts 1 in 10 children. The Missouri Task Force on the Prevention of Sexual Abuse of Children has been leading efforts since 2012 to create safer environments for Missouri's children through prevention and intervention. Most recently the Community Education and Prevention Subcommittee of the Task Force, with members from Missouri KidsFirst/Prevent Child Abuse Missouri, MO Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and a wide range of other state social services entities, community partners, and frontline educators, worked to create guidance resources for schools implementing Missouri's law requiring child sexual abuse prevention training for students in grades 6-12. (Section 170.045). Please take a moment to complete this short survey to help the Task Force determine if more support and resources are needed for implementing this new requirement.

Survey

Link: <https://missourikidsfirst.coalitionmanager.org/formmanager/formsub/mission/create?formId=1073>.

The resources mentioned in the survey can be found at <https://www.missourikidsfirst.org/our-work/school-based-education/>.

The survey may be forwarded to other schools. It is acceptable for more than one person complete the survey from the same school or district. Contact Jenny Dodson-Weihl (mostewards@missourikidsfirst.org or 573-632-4600) if you have any questions, need the survey link to share with others, or would like further information about child sexual abuse prevention efforts in Missouri.

- a. You will also receive a separate email that has graphics with the survey that you can forward.
- b. Go to our social media channels on July 30 and share the post about the survey

1. **Follow Our Social Media Channels** all throughout the month of August! Like/share all of the resources and highlights of the Guidance Document and supplemental resources!

a. You can find us at:

- Facebook @MOKidsFirst
- Instagram @mokidsfirst
- Twitter @MOKidsFirst
- Linked In @Missouri KidsFirst

Check Out the Highlights of the #Back2School MKF Campaign:

July 30- Campaign preview and introduction of the survey

August 1- Kickoff!

Aug 2-4- Introduction to the Erin's Law, The Task Force on the Prevention of CSA, and the new school based mandate for CSA training

Aug 5- Highlights Missouri's Online Mandate Reporter training-
protectmokids.com

Aug 9- CSA Training Mandate Webinar -Meg Boyko

Aug 10- CSA Training Mandate Videos- DESE

Aug 11-School Based CSA Guidance Document Highlight

Aug 12- CSA Subcommittee Video- Social Worker- Sherri King

Aug 13- #Essential4Kids School Flyer highlight-essential4kids.org

Aug 16- Guidance Document Highlight- Curriculum Standards and Performance Indicators

Aug 17- CSA Subcommittee Video- Social Worker Arthur Seabury

Aug 18- Appendix A highlight- focus on community partners and CACs

Aug 19- CSA Subcommittee Video- Angela McMannis, JFS St. Louis

Aug 20-CSA Subcommittee Video- Meg Boyko, Teen Pregnancy Prevention Partnership

Aug 23- Appendix B highlight-list of programs and trainings

Aug 24- CSA Subcommittee Video- Jennifer Hoell, Health/PE Teacher

Aug 25- Appendix C highlight- Best Practices

Aug 26- CSA Subcommittee Video- Katya Sussman, School Psychologist

Aug 27- Training for school personnel- Stewards of Children highlight

Aug 30-Additional resources for implementation highlights

Aug 31- Survey promotion and request for school personnel to fill out

We appreciate your participation in promoting this important campaign! Please contact me or Jessica Seitz if you have any questions.

Warmly,

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NREA News – For all of the latest news from our national affiliate, please click on these links: [July 30, 2021 NREA Weekly Update](#), [August 6, 2021 NREA Weekly Update](#)

MARE Board Training Opportunities - MARE will offer the required Board Training for newly elected or appointed Board members on the following dates and at the noted locations:

MARE Board Training Dates – 2021

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

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)

Thursday, October 21, 2021 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

Lake Ozark, MO - The Lodge of the Four Seasons (Deadline to register - November 19th!)

Friday, December 10, 2021 (12:00 noon-6:00 p.m.)

Saturday, December 11, 2021 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

To register for these in-person training events, please access the form found on the MARE website or contact Kevin Sandlin at (660) 747-8050 or by email at ksandlin@moare.com.

Quote of the Week

Education is the power to think clearly, the power to act well in the world's work, and the power to appreciate life.

– Brigham Young

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