



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:

Madison C-3 - Dr. Paul Ricker is the Search Consultant. He can be reached by phone at (573) 365-4703 or by email at paulricker1@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 22nd!**

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. **The deadline to apply for this position is Friday, March 1st!**

Other Vacancies

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

Richland R-IV School District - Superintendent of Schools for 2019-2020

Kirbyville R-VI School District - Elementary Principal/SPED Director

Montgomery Co. R-II School District - High School Principal

Legislative Issues of Concern

Superintendents, principals, teachers, Board members and others who support public education are encouraged to get informed and stay active in reaching out to your Representatives and Senators during this legislative session. Bills of concern at this point include the following:

SB 160 - This is a Voucher Tax Credit bill sponsored by Senator Koenig.

SB 292 - This is a Charter School Expansion bill sponsored by Senator Eigel.

SB 73 - This is a Mandatory Reading Intervention bill sponsored by Senator O'Laughlin.

HB 581 - This is a Charter School Expansion bill sponsored by Representative Roeber.

HB 161 - This bill, sponsored by Representative Knight, seeks to direct or limit when schools can start in the fall.

HB 401 - This bill, sponsored by Representative Bayse, seeks to direct or limit when schools can start in the fall.

There are a number of legitimate concerns with each of these bills. For detailed information on each of these bills, please access the Legislative Bulletins provided by the SAC group or contact me at ksandlin@moare.com for more information!

School Board Training Dates - MARE will provide trainings as follows:

Southeast Missouri - Holiday Inn - Poplar Bluff, Missouri (573-712-9021)

- Friday, May 3, 2019 (4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, May 4, 2019 (8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

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

- Friday, May 17, 2019 (4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, May 18, 2019 (8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

Southwest Missouri - Comfort Inn - Bolivar, Missouri (417-326-6169)

- Friday, May 31, 2019 (4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 1, 2019 (8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

Northeast Missouri - Milan C-2 School District - Milan, Missouri (660-265-4414)

- Friday, May 31, 2019 (4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 1, 2019 (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Northeast Missouri - Palmyra R-I School District - Palmyra, Missouri (573-769-2066)

- Friday, June 7, 2019 (4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 8, 2019 (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Northwest Missouri - Holiday Inn Express - Maryville, Missouri (660-562-9949)

- Friday, June 14, 2019 (4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, June 15, 2019 (8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

Central Missouri - The Lodge of the Four Seasons - Lake Ozark, Missouri (573-365-3000)

- Wednesday, October 23, 2019 (1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.)
- Thursday, October 24, 2019 (8:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

* In addition to those listed above, MARE may offer a few additional trainings around the state based on need once we get information back from our membership after the April elections!

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

NREA Annual Essay Contest

The annual NREA Foundation Essay Contest allows contestants to participate in three divisions: elementary, middle/junior high, and high school. Grades 3-8 may participate in a written essay contest using the provided prompt and rubric. Grades 9-12 may participate in a video essay contest using the provided prompt and rubric. The winner in the elementary division receives \$250. The runner-up will receive \$100. The winners in the middle/junior high and high school divisions receive \$400. The runner-ups receive a \$200 prize.

For more information on this opportunity, please access the link below:

http://www.nrea.net/Awards_and_Programs

MASA Medical Transport Solutions - As you begin to consider salary and benefit matters in your budget for next year, now may be a great time to take a look at a benefit that MASA Medical Transport Solutions has to offer. For \$14.00 per employee per month, you can offer your staff peace of mind when it comes to emergency transportation services (ground or air) for injured staff and family members. To learn more about this awesome benefit, please access the links below:

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Legal Articles – 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 Associates: [..\Associate Members\2018-2019 Associate Members.docx](#)

Quote of the Week

"Education is a once in a lifetime opportunity to open children’s hearts and minds to the unbelievable wonder of the universe." - Sir Anthony Seldon

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

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.

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 were 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:

[..\Scholarship Folder\Guidelines & Application for College Scholarships.doc](#)

[..\Scholarship Folder\Guidelines & Application for Senior Scholarships.doc](#)

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!

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. Deadline to apply is 2/22/19!

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 found on our website.

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