



MARE Focus

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ENDORSEMENTS

American Fidelity Assurance Co.

Claim Care, Inc.

CTS Group

Forrest T. Jones & Co.

IMS

L.J. Hart & Company

MASA MTS

MEUHP

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M.U.S.I.C.

MO. Consultants for Ed.

Patron Insight

Pro Solutions, LLC

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SOCS

MARE PARTNERSHIPS

- LEGAL HOTLINE: ED COUNSEL, GUIN MUNDORF, MICKES O'TOOLE, TUETH KEENEY
- EDPLUS
- ED TECH PARTNERS
- AMERICAN LEGION BOYS STATE
- MISSOURI ADMIN. JOB POSTING

MARE 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.

MUSIC - Bus Driver Training Program MUSIC is providing training at various locations around the state this summer. This training is for anyone who has a driver training requirement. Bus drivers, or others with an "S" endorsement can attend!

Training topics include:

- reviewing current accident statistics in school transportation with an overview of Missouri specific incidents
- school transportation safety best practices and how to reduce potential liability
- information on how to respond to a crisis, including fire, tornado, active shooter, etc.

For more information or to register, please access this link: www.musicprogram.org/event/bus-driver-training

MCE Policy Updates

The June 2019 updates are currently available on the MCE website <http://www.moconed.com>. For your convenience, access to the updates is located on the homepage under the "Updates" section on the left hand side of the page. Simply select "View All Updates" to view or download current and past updates.

If you have any questions concerning these revisions or their implementation, please feel free to call Tom Mickes or Bill Ray.

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MARE Welcomes Gilmore & Bell, P.C. as New Associate

Mare is very pleased to welcome Gilmore & Bell, P.C. as our newest Associate Member. For more information on the services that they provide, please access the MARE website at www.moare.com!

School Based Medicaid Reimbursement-SDAC Program

As a member of MARE, is your school district currently taking advantage of additional revenue available from the SDAC program (School Based Medicaid Reimbursement-- School District Administrative Claiming)?

If not, we would like an opportunity to chat with you to increase your school district revenue. Since the school district is a member of MARE, our \$100 start-up fee is waived. MARE school districts we currently serve may be contacted as a reference in support of our services. Also, you may call Kevin Sandlin, MARE Executive Director (Phone: 660- 747-8050) who also utilized our services when he was school district Superintendent.

We specialize in providing School District Administrative Claiming (SDAC) "complete" Program Management (essentially, we take the work from your desk to ours). For 18 years, we have been doing SDAC program management in Missouri for 70+ school districts with Superintendents, Special Ed Directors and CFOs.

We manage program responsibilities of: Random Moment Sample form completion, respond to audits from MO HealthNet, submit quarterly Invoicing, training, construct quarterly Personnel Rosters, maintain the electronic database including maintaining program compliance. We offer a very competitive service fee of 4% of quarterly SDAC reimbursements to completely manage school responsibilities. There are no upfront costs and we handle all the paperwork which results in a reduction of staff hours.

This program supports gaps in an already strained school budget . You may reach me at anytime at 913-706-3632. I look forward to chatting with you!

Respectfully,

Linda

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

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.)

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

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! Information is available on our website!

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.

Conference Dates for 2020 - October 21-23, 2020

Conference Dates for 2021 - October 20-22, 2021

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.

Call for Presentations - The MARE/MO K-8 Conference Committee is accepting Presentation Proposals for the annual fall conference. The committee is seeking presentation proposals for the following topics: DESE presentations, Legal presentations, Finance presentations, Four day school week, Board/Superintendent relations, Practical advice for new Superintendents, Workforce Development (education focus), Missouri Sunshine Law and School Showcase (innovative or successful programs) presentations. **Proposed presentations may be submitted by mail, MARE 701 N College, Suite C, fax, (660) 747-8160 or electronically using the form found on the MARE website, www.moare.com.**

MARE Membership Invoices - 2019-2020 Membership Invoices **were mailed** last Friday, June 21st. If you do not receive your invoice within the next week, please contact me at the MARE office at (660) 747-8050 or ksandlin@moare.com. Thank you to our loyal member school districts for your support of our organization! **If you are not a member and would like more information, I would love to visit with you!**

Summer Legal Workshop Schedule - Linked below are flyers detailing information on many of the various Summer Legal Workshops that will be offered by firms including EdCounsel, LLC, Guin Mundorf, LLC, Mickes O’Toole, LLC and Tueth Keeney Cooper Mohan & Jackstadt, PC.

[Mickes O’Toole - 36th Annual School Law Seminars](#)

[EdCounsel, LLC - School Law Seminar Schedule](#)

[Guin Mundorf Annual School Law Seminar Schedule](#) - Update this with new one on site!

[Tueth Keeney Cooper Mohan & Jackstadt Summer Law Seminar Schedule](#)

News from NREA

The 111th Rural Research and Conference Symposium hosted by NREA & BFK.

The [#RuralEdForum](#) brings together rural [#edleaders](#) from across the country to advance [#21stcenturylearning](#). Join our community of bold, courageous educators on Oct. 24–26 in Louisville, KY! Register today to save <http://bit.ly/RuralEd19-Reg>

"Career Ready, College Ready, University Ready, Digitally Ready!"

<https://eduvate.biz/newbattle-high->

school/?utm_campaign=website&utm_source=sendgrid.com&utm_medium=email

How to make college accessible to students from rural communities

<https://thehill.com/opinion/education/449319-how-to-make-college-accessible-to-students-from-rural-communities>

School Choices for Rural America

By [Frederick Hess](#) 06/14/2019

<https://www.educationnext.org/school-choices-rural-america/>

Secretary DeVos Advances Higher Education Reform Forged by Historic Consensus

Comprehensive rewrite of federal regulations which seek to promote innovation, protect students, and reduce regulatory burden, are now open for public comment

https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/secretary-devos-advances-higher-education-reform-forged-historic-consensus?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=

RURAL AMERICA READY FOR AN INFUSION OF INVESTMENT, PANELISTS SAY

By Charlie Zong

<https://www.dailyonder.com/rural-america-ready-infusion-investment-panelists-say/2019/06/12/32293/>

25 Groups Join Connect Americans Now In Filing FCC Comments: NREA

<https://connectamericansnow.com/25-groups-join-connect-americans-now-in-filing-fcc-comments/>

Rural Spark podcast: How to save your rural school:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/how-to-save-your-rural-school-the-petite-story/id1449859399?i=1000441410828>

Health Office Orientation Workshop

- MARE is partnering with DHSS (School Health Program) and MASN to offer an orientation for health office staff. The training will be held on July 23-25, 2019 at the Governor's Office Building located at 200 Madison Street in Jefferson City, Missouri. Contact Barbara Spaw at (573) 522-2822 or Barbara.Spaw@health.mo.gov for more information. The registration link is found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZSYSJYV>.

Quote of the Week

“Knowledge is power. Information is liberating. Education is the premise of progress, in every society, in every family.”

Kofi Annan

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