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**Superintendent Search Program** – MARE has been retained to facilitate the following:

**Putnam Co. R-I Superintendent Search** – Dr. Jerry Cochran is the consultant. He can be reached at (660) 596-3184 or [cochranj115@gmail.com](mailto:cochranj115@gmail.com). **Closes – 11/8/24**

**Franklin Co. R-II Superintendent Search** – Dr. Margret Anderson is the consultant. She can be reached at (816) 898-005 or [mg2.anderson@gmail.com](mailto:mg2.anderson@gmail.com). **Closes – 11/8/24**

**Northeast Nodaway Co. R-V Superintendent Search** – Dr. Michael Jinks is the consultant. He can be reached at (660) 441-7473 or [19mj46@gmail.com](mailto:19mj46@gmail.com). **Closes - 11/1/24**

**Maysville R-I Superintendent Search** - Dr. Michael Jinks is the consultant. He can be reached at (660) 441-7473 or [19mj46@gmail.com](mailto:19mj46@gmail.com). **Closes 10/31/24**

**Osage Co. R-III Superintendent Search** – Dr. Paul Ricker is the consultant. He can be reached at (573) 365-4703 or [paulricker1@charter.net](mailto:paulricker1@charter.net). **Closes 11/4/2024**

**Lakeland R-III Superintendent Search** – Mrs. Mary Beth Scherer is the consultant. She can be reached at (660) 281-7678 or [mbscherer@ucmo.edu](mailto:mbscherer@ucmo.edu). **Closes 11/15/2024**

**We anticipate an additional 4-5 openings to be posted by early November!**

**Check out the MARE website at [www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com) for announcements and applications for each of these positions!**

## **Report It, Don't Repost It**

**(Credit to Meredith Probst of Jackson R-2 for this!)**

Students, as a reminder, threats are never a joke, they are not funny. If you see something that you feel could be a threat or something that could put anyone in danger, report it to an adult immediately. An adult could be a parent, teacher, school administrator, and/or local law enforcement.

You should never re-share or forward the post to other students for the sake of gossip, even through text messages, or social media- or you may become involved in the investigation. Report it, don't repost it! Report threats to trusted adults such as parents, school administrators, and local law enforcement. You can also contact the Missouri Highway Patrol through the "Courage 2 Report" helpline. Text CR2 to 738477.

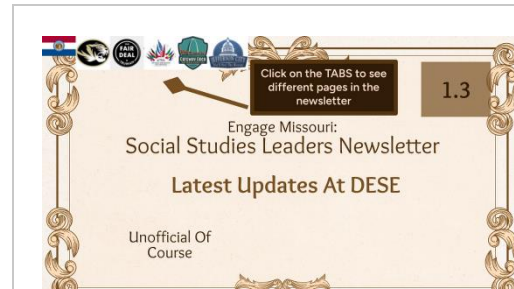
Any student found making threats or being involved in passing along gossip of possible threats creating false alarms rather than reporting could face strong disciplinary action in accordance with the student handbook and board policy due to the material substantial disruptions in the school environment caused by such activity. Such activities create substantial disruptions in the school environment.

Those students who are guilty of making threats, disruptive alleged threats that may be deemed as "not credible", or false alarms, could result in a 180-day suspension or possibly permanent expulsion from public school.

Not only could students face disciplinary action at school, but they could face legal consequences with both juvenile and law enforcement. One poor choice could negatively impact a student for a lifetime. And all these types of choices make school feel less safe for students and staff. Think before you post or speak.

## **Social Studies Newsletter**

Thanks for spreading the word. Here is the link: <https://tinyurl.com/EngageMissouriSSNewsletter3> Take care and talk to you soon.



### [Engage Missouri: Social Studies Newsletter 1.3](#)

Engage Missouri: Social Studies Leaders Newsletter 1.3  
At DESE Unofficial Of Course Click on the TABS in the newsletter  
[tinyurl.com](https://tinyurl.com/EngageMissouriSSNewsletter3)

- In the Missouri Museum Initiative, the Missouri History Museum (Research Center) is full.
- Spread the word on the Missouri Museum Initiative and the Missouri Ecosystem Framework Project.
- Finally, starting with the next newsletter, there will be a "Grow Your Own" section that highlights any social studies teachers who are teaching with someone they taught. We want to celebrate schools that bring back their students to become teachers. Directions are in the newsletter

### **Social Studies Updates from DESE with Dr. Rhett Oldham November 4**

In this workshop, Rhett Oldham, new DESE Social Studies Director, will address the following topics:

- >The Missouri Civics Education Initiative and How It Applies to Your Classroom,
- >Holocaust Education (Senate Bill 681 and 682) - What is Required,
- >AI in Education - What Approaches Can Be Effective in Implementation,
- >EOC Government - It Really Comes Down to Strong Pedagogy,
- >Opportunities for Professional Development for Teachers, and
- >Travel for Teachers at Little to No Cost.

There will be a question-and-answer session at the end of the workshop.

**Direct link to the click to enroll page:** [Social Studies Updates from DESE](#)

Rhett now has a Social Studies newsletter! To receive the newsletter, e-mail Rhett at [rhett.oldham@dese.mo.gov](mailto:rhett.oldham@dese.mo.gov) and request to be put on his newsletter list.

The latest newsletter is out! It includes lots of good resources and information.

[Engage Missouri: Social Studies Leaders Newsletter 1.4](#)

## **iCEV Webinar Opportunity**

iCEV is committed to providing free CTE PD. It is free to everyone even if you do not use iCEV. The next webinar is focused on CTE data management. The 45-minute webinar is **October 16 at 11 a.m.** Register at <https://www.icevonline.com/icev-pd>.

If you scroll down past the registration, there are several on demand sessions. Two that MARE districts might find noteworthy:

9 Ways to Maximize Student Engagement in CTE

Recruit & Retain: Strategies for Finding & Keeping Quality Educators

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**Welcome New Member Districts** – MARE is pleased to welcome **Blue Eye R-V, Success R-VI, Lutie R-VI, Oak Hill R-I, Mt. Vernon R-V, Osborn R-O, Ralls Co. R-II & New York R-IV** as new or returning member districts for 2024-2025! Why not consider joining them as members!

## **DESE – Social Studies Curriculum Information/Opportunities**

- I know administrators have a lot of questions about the Missouri Holocaust mandate and how that is to be implemented so I wanted to share the [Holocaust Legislation Break-down](#).
- Civics and Patriotism: There is a whole host of K-12 lessons created by Missouri social studies teachers around the theme of civics and patriotism and can be found on the DESE website [Social Studies | Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education \(mo.gov\)](#) under Civics and Patriotism
- United States Senate Youth Program: [Social Studies | Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education \(mo.gov\)](#) under Scholarships, Competitions, and Awards. Two students receive \$10,000 and a trip to DC.
- Missouri Museum Initiative: [Missouri Museum Initiative On A Map](#) Starting in November, teachers will have the opportunity to attend one of Missouri Museums and create mini-lessons. Teachers will receive \$250.00 and the cost of their sub will be covered. More information to come soon.

## **2024 MARE/MO K-8 Conference - October 16th-18th**

Make plans now to join us for our annual fall conference on **October 16th-18th** at the beautiful Lodge of the Four Seasons. This event has grown tremendously over the past few years thanks to your support and your willingness to encourage others to attend. We hope to make our 2024 (Education is the Key!) the biggest and best yet! District leaders and vendors are encouraged to put this on your calendars now! We want the MARE/MO K-8 Conference to be your choice event for team building, leadership development and professional growth. We look forward to seeing all of you at the lake!

[2024 MARE/MO K-8 Conference Planner at a Glance](#)

[2024 Small Group Session Program Descriptions](#)

[2024 General Session Program Descriptions](#)

[MARE/MO K-8 Conference Registration Form](#)

### **Conference Theme – Education is the Key!**

## **EdPlus Innovate Conference Information – Discounted Pricing**

We have opened up registration for the innovate 2025 conference scheduled for February 23 - 25, 2025. This is our annual conference that highlights innovative practices throughout the region/state in the areas of leadership, instruction design, equity and technology. This year, attendees will have the choice of 1-day or 2-day registration, and all attendees can attend the Sunday evening Keynote Kick-off event.

We have a special September deal for EdPlus non-members that may be of interest to your school districts. School districts can purchase 10 spots and save 15% on their registration. They can mix and match these spots for 1-day or 2-day registrations for their educators. They can contact Allie Quicke at [aquicke@edplus.org](mailto:aquicke@edplus.org) before September 30 to secure their spots. Additional information about innovate can be accessed on our website at [edplus.org](http://edplus.org).

Attached are a graphic and flyer about this special that you can utilize to share with your members.

We look forward to announcing our keynote speakers in the coming weeks and I will send you that information when it is announced.

Thank you for helping us spread the word about #innovate25! Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Christine

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## **Quote of the Week**

**“Nobody is gonna hit as hard as life, but it ain’t how hard you can hit. It’s how hard you can get hit and keep moving forward. It’s how much you can take, and keep moving forward. That’s how winning is done.” Rocky**

**NREA News** - For all of the latest news from our national affiliate, please access these links: [September 20, 2024 NREA Weekly Update](#), [September 27, 2024 NREA Weekly Update](#), [October 04, 2024 NREA Weekly Update](#), [October 11, 2024 NREA Weekly Update](#)

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**MARE Board Training Opportunities** - MARE will provide Board Training in 2024 for newly elected or appointed BOE members according to this schedule:

### **Lake Ozark, MO - The Lodge of the Four Seasons**

- **Friday, December 6, 2024 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)**
- **Saturday, December 7, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)**

**\*\*\* Please share this information with any new Board member who has not completed the 18.5 hours of required training! MARE is an approved Board Training provider!**

**To register, please complete the form found on our website and fax to (660) 747-8160, scan and email to [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com), or go online ([www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com)) and complete the electronic form found under Board Training.**

**Articles of Interest** – I am hoping to start including some articles in the MARE Focus provided by some of our member districts. If you have something to share, brag about, pontificate on or such, please consider sharing this with me so that it can be considered for a future MARE Focus. Please send the information via email, preferably in Word format with embedded links, photos, etc. Thanks for all you do for students!





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