



# MARE Focus

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FROM THE DESK OF MR. KEVIN SANDLIN, MARE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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

**Superintendent Search – Brookfield R-III** – Dr. Jerry Cochran is the Search Consultant. Jerry can be reached at (660) 596-3184 or at [cochranj115@gmail.com](mailto:cochranj115@gmail.com). **Deadline – 10/31/22!**

**Superintendent Search – North Harrison R-III** – Mrs. Mary Beth Scherer is the Search Consultant. Mary Beth can be reached at (660) 281-7678 or at [mbscherer@ucmo.edu](mailto:mbscherer@ucmo.edu). **Deadline – 11/4/22!**

**Superintendent Search – Farmington R-VII** – Mr. Darryl Pannier is the Search Consultant. Darryl can be reached at (573) 803-9008 or at [darrylpannier@yahoo.com](mailto:darrylpannier@yahoo.com). **Deadline - 11/4/22!**

**Superintendent Search – Johnson Co. R-VII** – Dr. Mike Jinks is the Search Consultant. Mike can be reached at (660) 441-7473 or [19mj46@charter.net](mailto:19mj46@charter.net). **Deadline – 11/11/22!**

**Other Administrative Vacancies** – Please note the following opportunities:

**Wheatland R-II Superintendent Vacancy** – Deadline to apply is November 4<sup>th</sup>!

**Aurora R-VIII Superintendent Vacancy** – Deadline to apply is November 4<sup>th</sup>!

**Fordland R-III Superintendent Vacancy** – Deadline to apply is November 14<sup>th</sup>!

**Licking R-VIII Superintendent Vacancy** – Deadline to apply is November 10<sup>th</sup>!

**Avenue City R-IX Principal Vacancy** – Deadline to apply is December 9<sup>th</sup>!

**Warrensburg R-VI Athletic Director Vacancy** – Open until filled!

**(Check out the district websites for more information on these openings!)**

## Dadeville Benefit for the Matt Bushey Family

Dadeville is hosting a 5K to benefit the family of Matt Bushey on November 19<sup>th</sup> - please read on to learn more:

The link to the FB page for the Benefit is <https://facebook.com/events/s/bushey-family-benefit/787670875651209>.

The links for online registration will be up in the next few days. You may also register at the event. The registration link is <https://www.dadevillebearcats.org/events/>

The schedule of events on the 19<sup>th</sup> is as follows:

- 5K- 4:00 pm
- Food and Music- 5:00 pm
- Auction- 6:15 pm

Registration for the 5k is \$30 for adults and \$20 for students. The meal is BBQ and costs \$10 a plate.

## **MARE/MO K-8 Conference – “Making Education Count!”**

Special thanks to all of those who attended and supported the 2022 MARE/MO K-8 Conference on October 19-21, 2022! We had an awesome conference! Overall, we had 249 attendees, 85 Exhibitor Booths (208 vendor representatives), and 64 presenters. **Huge thanks to our amazing sponsors listed below:**

**Platinum Level (\$2,000.00)** – Coryell Roofing, Curriculum Associates, Inc., EdCounsel, LLC, eRate Program, LLC, FTJ/MEUHP, iCEV, Mike Keith Insurance, Missouri Propane Gas Association, rootEd Missouri, SIC Roofing & Veregy

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**Bronze Level (\$600.00)** – Energy Solutions Professionals, Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Health Cooperative of Missouri, Inter-State Studio, McKinstry, Midwest Transit Equipment, Navitas, Opa! Food Management, Ozark Schools Benefits Association, Pepco, Inc., Schneider Electric, ServPro of Lee’s Summit, UMB Bank & University of Missouri – CPAP

Next year’s conference is scheduled on October 18-20, 2023 at the Lodge of Four Seasons! Put this on your calendar now and join us as we learn and grow together!

**MARE/MO K-8 recognized the following individuals during the Conference Awards Luncheon on October 20, 2022: (Congratulations to all!)**

**Outstanding Rural Support Staff – Marsha Gabel, Green Forest R-II**

**Outstanding Rural Teacher – Susan Purdy, Madison C-3**

**Outstanding Rural Administrator – Sonja Vaughn, Supt. at East Lynne 40**

**Outstanding Rural School District – Rock Port R-II,**

**MO K-8 Admin. of the Year – Carey Johnson, Supt. at Hardeman R-X**

**MARE/MO K-8 Friend of Rural Education – Duane Martin, EdCounsel**

**MARE District Membership** – MARE is growing with current membership at 409 public school districts! MARE would like to welcome the following school districts as either new or returning MARE members: **Gasconade Co. R-I, Clinton, Brookfield R-III, Naylor R-II, Summersville R-II, Norwood R-I, Clinton Co. R-III, Tri-County R-VII, Blair Oaks R-II, Excelsior Springs 40 & Winfield R-IV.** If you are not sure of your MARE member status or would like more information on becoming a MARE member school district, I would welcome the opportunity to visit with you.

**New MARE Associate Members** – Since July of 2022, the following organizations have been added as MARE Associate Members: **Audio Acoustics, Globe Life Family Heritage, Innovative Options, LLC, Missouri Goodwill Excel, Penmac Education Staffing, Sumner One, Journey12, Piper Sandler & Midwest Computech.** For more information on these Associate Members and the services that they provide, please check out our website at [www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com).

**2022-2023 Missouri School Directory** - Each MARE member school district will receive one free copy. Please see myself or Dr. Cochran at your respective MASA area meeting to pick up your copy. Copies will be mailed to all vendors by 11/30/2022!

**NREA News** - For all of the latest news from our national affiliate, please click on these links: [September 23, 2022 NREA Update](#), [September 30, 2022 NREA Update](#), [October 7, 2022 NREA Weekly Update](#), [October 14, 2022 NREA Update](#)

### **Quote of the Week**

**“One test of the correctness of educational procedure is the happiness of the child.” (Maria Montessori)**

**MARE Scholarship Information** – MARE awarded a total of 53 scholarships last year including 23 - \$1,000.00 scholarships to college juniors/seniors and 30 - \$500.00 scholarships to graduating seniors from MARE member school districts. Proceeds from the annual golf tournament are our primary source of funding for scholarships. Due to the generous support of many of our Associate Members and other donors, we will be awarding additional scholarships during 2023! Information will be sent out in November for both scholarships!

**Save the Date** - The 13th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, July 17th at Osage National Golf Course in Lake Ozark, Missouri. More information will be sent out and posted soon! **Please join us!**

**MARE Board Training Opportunities** - MARE will provide Board Training in 2022 for newly elected or appointed BOE members according to this schedule

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

- **Friday, December 9, 2022 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)**
- **Saturday, December 10, 2022 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)**

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)).

### **Dr. Eric Wilken Appointed as Region C Representative**

Dr. Eric Wilken, Superintendent of the Willard Public School District, was appointed by the MARE Executive Board on October 20, 2022 to complete a one-year vacant term as Region C Representative. This vacancy occurred due to the tragic passing of Dr. Matt Bushey in August of 2022. We greatly miss Dr. Bushey and our thoughts and prayers continue to be with his immediate family and the school family in Dadeville. We welcome Dr. Wilken, a man of similar faith, passion and character to fill this vacancy!

## **Defined Learning Webinar Opportunity**

Check out our November webinar on Student Success with STEM and Career Connected Learning! Learn how leaders from Grand Prairie ISD TX aligned their STEM and CTE curriculum to boost student outcomes in our complimentary webinar! Along with Jay McTighe, administrators will share how they used the Understanding by Design framework to inform their instruction.

**November 17th registration link: [Driving Student Success with STEM & Career Connected Learning](#).**

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