



MARE Focus

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- EDPLUS
- AMERICAN LEGION BOYS STATE
- GIRLS STATE
- MISSOURI ADMIN. JOB POSTING

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

Superintendent Search – Lathrop R-II - Dr. Mike Jinks is the Search Consultant. Mike can be reached by phone at (660) 441-7473 or by email at 19mj46@charter.net.

Application deadline is Friday, October 14th!

Superintendent Search – North Mercer Co. R-III - Dr. Paul Ricker is the Search Consultant. Paul can be reached by phone at (573) 365-4703 or by email at paulricker1@charter.net. **Application deadline is TBA! More Postings Coming Soon!**

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

2022 MARE/MO K-8 Conference which will be held Wednesday, October 19th through Friday, October 21st at the Lodge of Four Seasons in Lake Ozark, Missouri. Your support of this growing event will be greatly appreciated and I promise you will enjoy it! On Thursday, October 20th, we will be presenting a number of Outstanding Rural Education Awards (Support Staff, Teacher, Administrator & District) as well as a “Friend of Rural Education” award. The nomination form for the school awards is attached below. The deadline for submissions is **Friday, September 23rd at noon!** Please nominate!

[2022 Conference Registration Form](#)

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[2022 Outstanding Rural Awards Nomination Form](#)

Posted below & on the MARE website are the “Conference Planner at a Glance”, “General Session Descriptions” and “Small Group Session Descriptions”.

[2022 Conference Planner at a Glance](#)

[2022 General Session Descriptions](#)

[2022 Small Group Session Descriptions](#)

MARE District Membership – MARE membership has hit an all-time high of **407 school district members** with the recent additions of **Camdenton R-III, Gasconade Co. R-I, Brookfield R-III, Naylor R-II, Norwood R-I, Summersville R-II, Clinton, Clinton Co. R-III & Tri-County R-VII**. We greatly appreciate all of our member districts and we look forward to working with you! The organization is growing on several fronts. We hope to continue to add services, products and opportunities for our members in the near future! If you have questions about MARE and the benefits of belonging, call me!

SchoolCEO Conference – Sponsored by Apptegy

The next SchoolCEO Conference is October 2 & 3. Hosted by Apptegy, this conference for superintendents focuses on the power of brand, culture, and influence and is designed for superintendents. Learn more about SchoolCEO Conference here and use code #MOARE22 just for our members. Learn more at apptegy.com/conference

NREA News - For all of the latest news from our national affiliate, please click on these links: [NREA Weekly Update - September 2, 2022](#), [NREA Weekly Update - September 9, 2022](#), [NREA Weekly Update - September 16, 2022](#)

Defined Learning Academy

Project-based learning transforms classrooms but more importantly, it transforms how students feel about learning and their futures. To help educators deepen their PBL instructional skills and achieve the greatest outcomes, we've expanded our professional learning services.

Our professional learning program, [Defined Academy](#), offers skill-building courses to help educators get started and go further with PBL, Defined Learning, and Defined Careers. You can learn about our in-person and virtual professional learning opportunities in the [Defined Academy guide](#). You'll explore:

- PBL Coaching: Advanced PBL Teaching Practices
- PBL Leadership Cohort
- Micro-Credentials
- Online Course with Jay McTighe

LEARN MORE

What you'll like about our services...

- **Customizable:** Our dedicated team will work alongside you to develop a customized plan aligned with your goals and objectives
- **Easily accessible:** Attend virtual classes from anywhere in the world
- **Flexible and manageable:** Convenient new formats including self-paced modules
- **Engaging and effective:** Work with a Defined mentor to bring real-world learning to your classrooms

Title IX Trainings

Title IX Workshop

October 18, 2022 | 9 am - 11 am

Webinar / \$200 For up to 5 participants

This two hour in-depth and detailed Title IX Workshop is for those who have already attended the standard Title IX Coordinator Training.

Title IX Training for Investigators and Facilitators

November 2, 2022 | 9 am - 11 am

Webinar / \$200 For up to 5 participants

The new regulations for Title IX create specific procedures for investigations and informal resolutions. If you intend to serve as an Investigator or Facilitator (or both, as the Title IX Coordinator) for your school district, this targeted training will explain your role in the formal complaint process. Through scenario-based exercises and small group discussions, we offer best practices for interactions with complainants and respondents, witness interviews, evidence gathering, investigative reports, and mediated resolutions.

Title IX Training for Decision-Makers

November 9, 2022 | 9 am - 11 am

Webinar / \$200 For up to 5 participants

Whether at the initial "determination of responsibility" level or later on appeal, every decision-maker for a school district is required to have Title IX training on their role in the formal complaint process. We use scenarios and small group discussions to provide training on final reports, "gate-keeper" decisions on questions and relevancy, and appropriate remedies, corrective actions, and discipline in the context of Title IX.

Please use the link below to register.

If you have any questions, please direct them to Heather Lawson at hlawson@mickesotoole.com

[Registration and More Info](#)

American Heart Association Grant Opportunities

I just became aware of a few webinars we are offering in conjunction with the **American Academy of Pediatrics** to assist school health personnel address tobacco use/addiction. Information on the webinars is below, and coupled with some Tobacco Free Schools grants we have available, provide a nice opportunity for districts to transform their response to tobacco.

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), with funding from the **American Heart Association**, is providing trainings for school health personnel on identifying youth tobacco use and supporting cessation. The trainings adapt the AAP “Ask – Counsel – Treat” cessation counseling model into an educational curriculum for school nurses and other school health personnel. Five 3-hour trainings will be held throughout the 2022-2023 school year. Each training will be led by a faculty panel of pediatricians, school nurses, and other school health personnel and will provide educational content on screening, counseling, and treatment for youth tobacco use and overcoming common barriers to addressing youth cessation in school-based health settings, uncertainty about how to manage a positive screen, or lack of resources/referral sources to provide ongoing support to youth.

Registration for the fall trainings is now open, see below for dates and to register.

- **Wednesday, October 5, 2022, from 5-8pm central** – [Register here](#)
- **Monday, December 5, 2022, from 10am-1pm central** – [Register here](#)

Please feel free to share this with any districts that might benefit from the conversation and if there are other ways we can support health for your schools, I’m happy to share more about that as well.

Have a great weekend!

Tim

Tim Nikolai

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Quote of the Week

“Lead and inspire people. Don’t try to manage and manipulate people. Inventories can be managed but people must be led.”
—Ross Perot

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 (Conference)

- **Wednesday, October 19, 2022 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)**
- **Thursday, October 20, 2022 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)**

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, or go online (www.moare.com).

Brain Injury Association – Get Schooled on Concussions!

***Get Schooled on Concussions
for Missouri***

The Get Schooled on Concussions program was developed by education and concussion specialists to help teachers and other school personnel support any concussed student in Return to Learn, while saving time.

**Get Schooled on Concussions
is available
FREE until June 30, 2023.**

Access Get Schooled on Concussions
visit: www.GetSchooledonConcussions/Missouri
Enter the case sensitive password: TACTmissouri2022

Choose to access TACT, Tip Sheets or Video

Get Schooled on Concussions Website Resources

Teacher Acute Concussion Tool (TACT)

Individualized learning strategies to help concussed students while they recover from a concussion.

TACT provides four weeks of classroom strategies tailored to teaching style, content area, environmental factors and student symptoms.

The clinically-proven strategies are applicable for elementary through

How the TACT works

Complete a five-minute survey about teaching style, subject content, environmental factors and student concussion symptoms. You will be required to enter your name, school email address and school name.

Within minutes clinically-proven academic strategies will be sent to your email address.

high school students. Often a 504 or IEP are not needed during the anticipated four weeks of recovery.

Updated strategies are sent weekly for four weeks.

TACT saves you time, and students benefit from the best-practice interventions.

Tip Sheets

More than 30 lesson plans on how to support concussed students in the classroom with protracted recovery.

Topics include helping students manage concussion symptoms, determining appropriate amount of assignment work, and assessing knowledge retained by student during concussion recovery.

Recommendations for Tip Sheets

Follow the Tip Sheets order of the Get Schooled on Concussions website.

Start with the student being comfortable (enough) to be in school listening and learning. Then the amount of work and assessing knowledge are discussed.

Download Tip Sheets and share with other school personnel.

Tip Sheets are Kid Tested, Teacher Approved.

Videos

Tutorials on how to support youth in return to learn and how to use the TACT. These step-by-step tutorials provide information on academic support of concussion management for elementary, middle and high school students.

Benefits of Tutorial Videos

Watch the How to Use the TACT (3:18) video to learn about the TACT and how easy it is to use.

Watch the 3 Common Impacts of Concussion in the Classroom video to learn about the impact of concussions on learning.

Tutorial Videos maximize information in minimal time.

This is the Premier Brain Injury Conference for Professionals!

[Register Today!](#)

**BIA-MO Annual Conference 2022
October 20 - 22, 2022**

**Marriott St. Louis West Hotel
Grand Ballroom**

National and regional experts will share current research, cutting-edge therapeutic strategies and best practice treatments relating to traumatic and acquired brain injuries.

Sessions on Thursday, October 20 and Friday, October 21 will be of interest to

professionals who provide care on a regular or periodic basis for survivors of brain injury. [Register Online Now](#).

[Registration options](#) include In-Person, Archives On-Demand or a Combination.

Mickes O'Toole Webinar Opportunity

Spotlight Series

Library Materials & New Criminal Statute | *September 23, 2022*

Join attorney [Grant Wiens](#) for a free webinar about how Missouri's new criminal law about explicit images affects (and doesn't affect) District materials for student use in classrooms and in libraries.

September 23, 2022 from 9:00 am - 9:30 am

If you have any questions please contact us at 314.878.5600 or seminars@mickesotoole.com.

[Registration and More Info](#)

rootEd Recognized Nationally

With the new school year officially underway, we're thrilled to share some exciting news – rootEd Alliance was recently recognized for its efforts to boost college enrollment by [U.S. News & World Report](#) in an op-ed penned by Missouri Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education, Dr. Margie Vandeven. In the piece, the Commissioner highlights how rootEd Missouri has increased enrollment by as much as 14% at participating schools.

As you may have heard, this success led Missouri to scale the program statewide, providing \$10 million in public funding to expand rootEd to 135 rural high schools. Thanks to these public dollars, rootEd will serve more than 18,000 students across nearly 200 high schools in four states this year, up from 6,800 students across 56 schools in 2021.

We're proud to partner with the state of Missouri, as well as Ozarks Technical Community College, to shine a light on the unique needs of rural students and provide the support they need to define, plan, and achieve their educational and career goals.

We look forward to continuing to share updates as our work in Missouri progresses over the

coming year.

Best,
Lisa

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Office Essentials – Education Open House – Office Essentials will be hosting an Open House on Wednesday, October 12th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. A number of special activities and events are scheduled as part of this day. For more information, see below:

[Office Essentials Education Open House Flyer](#)

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