



Executive Director's Update

Massachusetts School Administrators' Association

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An Update from Executive Director Robert Baldwin

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Andrew Rebello named MSAA High School Principal of the Year



2024 Summer Institute

[Register today](#) for the MSAA 2024 Summer Institute, July 24-26 at the Hotel 1620, Plymouth, MA, featuring keynote speakers Dr. Kalise Wornum and Dr. Salome Thomas-EL.

Summer Institute Pre-Conference Workshops

Registrations for Summer Institute Pre-Conference Workshops scheduled for Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at Hotel 1620, Plymouth, MA are now available! [Click here to register.](#)

- School Discipline and the Law – *Catherine Lyons, Esq.*
- Components of a Multi-Tiered System of Supports and the Role of a Student Success Team: How Do Both Plans Impact Teaching and Learning? – *Dr. Curtis Bates*
- Doing Discipline Differently: How to Respond to Student Misbehavior and the Whys Percolating at or Below the Surface – *Karen Gross*

NHS/NJHS Spring Conference

Thursday, April 4, 2024, at College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA. [Click here](#) to view the program for the day and [click here](#) to register.

MSAA Salary Survey

Recently, members received an email asking to complete the annual salary survey in an effort to continue to serve our membership and retrieve data that can assist you in many facets of your career. Once completed the data will be available to members. We hope you can take the time to complete this as it will benefit all members of the Association. As always, thank you in advance for all you do to support the Association and lead our schools. [Click here](#) to complete the survey.

2024 Assistant Principals Conference

Keynote Speaker: Baruti K. Kafele, Monday, April 8, 2024 at College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA. [Click here](#) to view the program for the day and [click here](#) to register.

LLP/GCSL Announcement

[Click here](#) to view the new LLP/GCSL flyer. The flyer provides a comprehensive overview of our new and exciting LLP/GCSL program and why you should choose our program. MSAA and WJC have collaborated to provide a state-of-the-art licensure program that meets the need of today's aspiring administrators.

MSAA Membership Promotion – Please encourage non-members to join!

This year we have over 225 new members and are nearing an overall membership of 2000 school leaders from across Massachusetts. We are excited about the opportunities that are provided to you as a member and are hopeful that you take advantage of this **one-time opportunity to become a member for the remaining of the school year at a very discounted rate.** [Visit our membership page for more information and to register.](#)

2024-2025 Professional Development Offerings

[Click here](#) to view Professional Development offerings for the 2024-2025 school year. Registration for each of these offerings will be available in June.

Confidential Hotline

The MSAA is proud to announce the Confidential Support Hotline has been utilized this year and is a service for all members to get advice and support to challenging questions. [This link](#) allows you to see the specifics of this new and confidential service. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of assistance.

NAESP/NASSP Advisory Conference



Click on the image to view a letter from the Massachusetts team who attended this conference.

Save the Date!

Join us for the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Symposium

When: **May 3, 2024**

Theme: **From Ally to Activist: Creating More Just and Equitable Schools**

Join us for a day of learning, growth, and community-building as we explore the journey from allyship to activism in creating more just and equitable schools. Registration details coming soon!



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Student Council Conference

The MASC Annual Conference was held at the Emerald Resort in Hyannis on March 6-8. This energizing event was attended by over 900 high school students from 60 schools across the state and featured great workshops and keynote presentations by Heather Schultz and Monti Washington on leadership and service. Among the highlights was the student election of state officers:

- President – **Jack Rubin, Duxbury HS**
- Vice President – **Jacob Waterman, Middleborough HS**
- Secretary – **Philip Orszulak, Ware HS**

- Other awards presented at the conference:
- Administrator of the Year – **Peter Dufresne, Tantasqua RHS**
 - Advisor of the Year – **Jessie LaValle, Tantasqua RHS**
 - Unsung Hero Awards – **Paige Humphrey, Oakmont RHS; Sara McColem, Middleborough HS; Sofia Saldanha, North Reading HS; Carly Blanchard, Greenfield HS**
 - James Rokas Awards – **Maryjane Bitar, Worcester Tech HS; Emma LaPierre, Plymouth North HS; Lila Britton, Minnechaug RHS; Shenaya Verma, North Reading HS**

Congratulations to the following Cheerleading/Dance/Game Day Winter 2024 State Champions



- Cheerleading:
- Franklin High School – D1
 - Billerica High School – D2
 - Medway High School – D3
 - Joseph Case High School – D4
 - Foxborough High School – Small Co-Ed
 - Waltham High School – Large Co-Ed

- Game Day:
- Bristol-Plymouth Reg. High School

- Dance:
- Framingham High School – Hip Hop
 - Braintree High School – Jazz
 - Braintree High School - Pom

Esports – A great opportunity!

This is a great time to think about an MSAA Esports Team for Fall '24! With PlayVS, teams have grown across the state. We offer three games for a MSAA State title – Rocket League, Super Smash Bros. and Mario Kart (NEW for this Spring '24). If your school community has even a slight interest, contact Richard Pearson, MSAA Associate Director, at the MSAA office (rpearson@msaa.net). He will help outline details and coordinate more information.

Coaching Program for New Administrators

If your school or district is interested in enrolling a new administrator in our coaching program, please [click here](#) to request a coach. Please visit our [Coaching Directory](#) for a network of experienced and accomplished coaches ready to guide and support new administrators on their journey towards excellence.

The Soul of Leadership

[Click here](#) to sign up for a monthly virtual group for principals. Supporting one another with difficult conversations and situations.

Don't miss these educator discounts

Long-time corporate supporter Horace Mann recently collaborated with [My Education Discount](#) – a comprehensive directory of discounts for educators and school support staff.

Horace Mann also offers special rates for educators and staff on auto, home and life insurance.

Check out [Horace Mann's page on My Education Discount](#), and don't forget to contact your local Horace Mann representative or visit horacemann.com for a no-obligation quote! Feel free to share this with your employees.



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Thanks for your continued support!

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