



Executive Director's Update

Massachusetts School Administrators' Association

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An Update from Executive Director Robert Baldwin

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April 14, 2023

Addressing Hate in School Sports Initiative

As the Commonwealth continues to be fully vested in this essential work, the initial feedback from participants was positive and included such descriptors as "current", "powerful" and "necessary for all". We are most excited about the upcoming schedule and look forward to seeing your school district take advantage of this great opportunity as we all strive to become courageous leaders.

- April 28th and 29th: UMass Lowell
- April 28th and 29th: UMass Amherst
- May 5th and 6th: Bridgewater State University
- May 5th and 6th: Berkshire Community College
- May 12th and 13th: MIAA Office (Franklin)
- May 12th and 13th: Endicott College (Beverly)

REGISTRATION- Email AddressHate@mass.gov



with Center for Behavioral Health, Equity, and Leadership In Schools (BHELS)

As you are aware LLP is going Hybrid next year, 2023-2024. Friday nights will be virtual, and Saturdays will be in person. The two weeks in the summer of 2023 will also be in person. We believe going hybrid will allow our candidates to balance all of the demands of their professional and personal lives. The deadline for acceptance of applications is May 1st.

Just a reminder that our LLP is completed in one year with classes held once a month on Fridays and Saturdays. Our classes connect with the candidate's practicum experiences in their schools, as well as having assignments connected directly to MAPALS. Candidates are assigned a Supervising Practitioner as well as a Program Supervisor, and the Coordinator who is on site for all classes, virtual and in person. We believe the quality of our classes coupled with the support candidates receive, makes our LLP the premiere licensure program in Massachusetts.

You will serve your district well by recommending a candidate(s) for the LLP for the up-coming 2023-2024 school year. Please direct them to the LLP webpage on the [MSAA website](#) and encourage them to apply.

If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at bwittcoff@msaa.net. I am also available to come out to your school or district to conduct a personalized information session.

Upcoming Events

- [DEI Symposium](#) (May 5, 2023)
- [MASC Summer Leadership Conference](#) (July 9-13, 2023)
- [Summer Institute](#) (July 26-28, 2023)

Please mark your calendar and join us!

Workshop Title - Middle School Girls' Leadership Workshop

Presenter: Deb Hult, Core Trainings

Date: May 24, 2023

Location: MIAA Office

Workshop Title - Confidently Courageous Leadership for Women

Date: May 24, 2023

Location: MIAA Office

Workshop Title - High School Girls' Leadership Workshop

Presenter: Deb Hult, Core Trainings

Date: May 25, 2023

Location: MIAA Office

Workshop Title - Connections: Teaching & Leading Social Justice Work in Predominantly White Schools

Presenter: Principal Ted McCarthy, Sutton High School

When: Wednesday, October 4, 2023

Time: 8:30-11:30 am

Location: MSAA Office

Conference: PreK-8 Fall Conference

When: Thursday, October 5, 2023

Time: 8:00 am-3:00 pm

Location: Devens Common Center

School Year 2022-23 Professional Development Offerings including Summer Institute Pre-Conference Workshops - [CLICK HERE](#)

Standing Committee Meetings

Student Council Committee

April 26, 2022 (virtual), 3:00 pm

MSAA Board of Directors

April 27, 2023 (virtual), May 22, 2023 (in-person)

High School Committee

April 27, 2023 (TBA)

Growing Courageous Leaders

Is something great happening at your school? Would you consider sharing it with MSAA membership? Consider facilitating a workshop or breakout session. Please contact John Quinn at jquinn@msaa.net



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Gillette Stadium Field Trip Days (Grades 3-5)



Weather Education Day is Friday April 28th

Wellness Education Day is Wednesday May 24th

9:00 am-1:00 pm

\$20 per student - chaperones and teachers are free (ticket includes field trip programming and ticket voucher to future Revolution Game)

For more information and to sign-up, [CLICK HERE](#)

National School Leaders Advocacy Conference

MSAA Members and Staff attended the 2023 National School Leaders Advocacy Conference in Washington D.C. March 27–29. They spent two days training and then one day on Capitol Hill advocating the NAESP & NASSP Federal Legislative Agenda. The team met with all Congressional and Senate offices from Massachusetts discussing the importance of the upcoming budget needs.

[Click here](#) for the full agenda.



Back Row: Stephen Wiltshire—Principal of North Street Elementary School in Grafton, MSAA Executive Board Member & NAESP Executive Board Member. Steve Dubzinski—Assistant Director of MSAA. John Quinn—Assistant Director of MSAA. Michael Rubin—Principal of Uxbridge High School & Current State Coordinator for NASSP.

Front Row: Liz Garden—Principal of Clough Elementary School in Mendon, MSAA Board Member & Current President. Christopher LaBreck—Principal of Chocksett Middle School in Sterling & Current State Representative for NAESP. Dan Richards—Assistant Principal of Manchester Essex Regional High School, Manchester-by-the-Sea, MSAA Executive Board Member & NASSP Executive Board Member.

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What women need to know about saving for retirement

On average, 78% of each generation thinks they will have a harder time achieving financial security than their parents (60th and 69th of women believe it's important to save more to generate more income for their future.¹ Yet nearly half of the women surveyed by Retirement Insights, LLC in February, 2023, were saving 6% or less in their retirement plans.

Some of the challenges women cite when trying to save for retirement include²:



It's important for you to manage your savings and begin planning for retirement. Contact your local Horace Mann representative to help get on track for the retirement of your dreams.

1. https://www.fool.com/retirement/2023/04/17/what-women-need-to-know-about-saving-for-retirement/; April 17, 2023
2. Retirement Insights, LLC. "Women and Investing." September 2020
Retirement Insights, LLC. "College vs. Retirement." February 2023
Retirement Insights, LLC. "Women and Investing." December 2022
The information provided here is for general purposes only and should not be considered a recommendation, investment, or in legal advice.
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In case you missed it...

[Executive Director's Update March 15, 2023](#)

Thanks for your continued support!

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