



Executive Director's Update

Massachusetts School Administrators' Association

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An Update from Executive Director Robert Baldwin
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November 16, 2022

Congratulations and good luck to the student-athletes competing in this weekend's Dance and Cheer Tournaments!

Professional Development Survey

Your input is valued and needed for planning school year 2023-2024 professional development. Please take a moment to complete the short survey – [CLICK HERE](#).

PreK-8 Spring Conference (March 16-17, 2023): Call for Proposals – [CLICK HERE](#)

School Year 2022-23 Professional Development Offerings – [CLICK HERE](#)

Social Emotional Learning in the Classroom - Jane Hardin, Ribas Associates and Publications (November 30 & December 13, 8:30-11:30 am)

Addressing Trauma among Staff, Students and Families - Jane Hardin, Ribas Associates and Publications (December 6, 8:30-11:30 am)

Understanding and Addressing Implicit (Unconscious) Bias in Our Schools - Karen Antonelli, Ribas Associates and Publications (December 8, 8:30-11:30 am)

Overview of Essential Knowledge for ELL Instruction - Cathy Queally, Ribas Associates and Publications (December 15, 8:30-11:30 am)

Hanging in with Challenging Students - Jeffrey Benson, Athena K12 Educational Consulting (January 19, 8:30 am-12:00 pm)

Equity: The Impact of Poverty on Our Students' Access and Outcomes - Tamatha Bibbo, Athena K12 Educational Consulting (January 26, 8:30 am-12:00 pm)

Legal Aspects of Student Discipline for Administrators - Catherine L. Lyons, Esq., Lyons & Rogers, LLC (January 31, 8:30-11:30 am)

Looking at Student Work to Assess Student Learning and Drive Instructional Decisions - Clare Fox Ringwall, Athena K12 Educational Consulting (February 2, 8:30 am-12:00 pm)

Back to Basics – Maureen Gilman, Seaside Educational Consultants (February 7, 8:30-11:30 am)

Re-JOY-ning the K-5 Math Class! – Marcie Abramson, Athena K12 Educational Consulting (February 15, 8:30 am-12:00 pm)

Components of Multi-Tiered Systems of Support and the Role of a Student Success Team (SST) - Dr. Curtis Bates, Seaside Educational Consultants (February 16, 8:30 am-3:00 pm)

Restorative Practice – Dr. Curtis Bates, Seaside Educational Consultants (March 9, 8:30 am-3:00 pm)

Perseverance and Productive Struggle in Grades 1-5 Mathematics - Marcie Abramson, Athena K12 Educational Consulting (March 20, 8:30 am-12:00 pm)

Closing Achievement Gaps for Economically Disadvantaged Students – Cathy Queally, Ribas Associates and Publications (March 21, 8:30-11:30 am)

MSAA's Leadership Licensure Program (LLP)

Now accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year. We urge you to recommend an LLP candidate(s) and direct them to the [LLP webpage](#) on the MSAA's website and encourage them to apply.

Growing Literacy Equity Across MA (GLEAM), PreK-12
[CLICK HERE](#) for Grant and other Financial Assistance Programs.

Horace Mann

With more women than ever responsible for their financial well-being – and the financial well-being of their families – it's critical that women know how to save and plan for their future. [Today's Women by the Numbers](#).

For additional Student Loan Solutions: [CLICK HERE](#).

DESE's Early Learning Team - November Newsletter

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view the newsletter. [Subscribe](#) to ensure you don't miss any future announcements.

Early Learning Regional Networking Meetings

December 2022 and April 2023 - As part of a year-long professional development series, DESE's Early Learning Team is partnering with the MSAA and the MA Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators (MAECTE) to host in-person regional networking meetings in December 2022 and April 2023. The regional network meetings will take place from 9:00 am-12:00 pm, unless otherwise noted, and will include a school walk through, case consultancy protocol, networking and professional



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development on topics related to early childhood, Preschool through 3rd grade. If interested in the December meetings that will take place on the 2nd (in Southeast MA), 7th (in Central MA) and 9th (Western MA), please [CLICK HERE](#) to register online by Tuesday, November 29th.

NOTE: The year-long series of networking and professional development opportunities are designed for public school elementary school principals (Preschool to 3rd grade); charter school leaders; early childhood administrators and educators from Career, Technical Education (CTE) programs; and public school early childhood coordinators/administrators and educators.

Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE) Councils

Accountability and Advisory Council (AAAC)

Mr. Ron Sanborn (Director of Elementary Curriculum and Instruction, Marlborough) and Dr. Tamatha L. Bibbo (Principal, Pollard Middle School) will serve on the AAAC for the 2022-23 school year.

Educational Personnel Advisory Council (EPAC)

Mrs. Jill Flanders (Elementary Committee) and Mr. Michael Lavelle (Assistant Principal, Oxford Middle School) will serve on the EPAC for the 2022-23 school year.

Standing Committee Meetings

Elementary Committee

January 11, 2023 (virtual), 4:00-5:00 pm; January 28, 2023 – EdCamp MA Leads (in-person), 7:30 am-12:30 pm; April 12, 2023 (virtual), 4:00-5:00 pm

Middle Level Committee

December 6, 2022 (virtual), 3:00 pm; February 7, 2023 (in-person), 3:00 pm; April 4, 2023, 3:00 pm.

Teaching & Learning Committee

(all meetings are virtual from 10:00-11:00 am)

November 21, 2022; December 19, 2022; January 23, 2023; February 13, 2023; March 20, 2023; April 24, 2023; May 15, 2023; June 19, 2023

Urban Schools Committee

The Urban Schools Committee met on November 9th. Most of the meeting focused on the Urban Schools Summit which will take place in Franklin on January 24th at the MSAA Office. The showcase of Best Practices is inviting all Urban School Leaders to participate and either attend the great summit or volunteer to share a best practice from their school. Topics are being planned but early interest includes Peer Mediation, the BRITE Program, and educational options in various alternative school settings. Please Save the Date, January 24th.

High School Committee

The MSAA High School Committee met virtually on November 3rd. The gracious hosts from Mashpee High School, Principal Stacy Monette and Assistant Principal Albert Mercado led discussions on the new MCAS scoring, Portrait of a Graduate, and EdCamp. The next meeting is “on the road” at Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School on January 12th.

Learning for Justice Magazine

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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

Thanks for your continued support!

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