

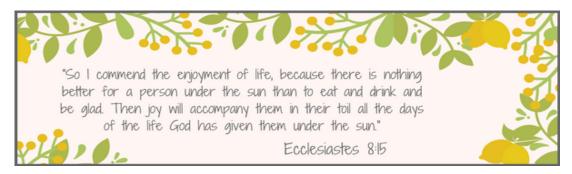




June 2017

## **MANS NOTES**

A monthly newsletter to keep you informed.



## Save the Date

MANS General Education Conference
October 18-19, 2017
Grand Rapids, Michigan

# **Upcoming Events**



There is still time to register for MANS School Law Seminar. This half day session will focus on legal topics that face non-public, faith-based schools. Topics include:

- ESSA Equitable Participation of Private Schools
- Developing a Shared Time Agreement
- Employee Relations: Moral Clauses, Social Media Content and Some Practical Guidance for Faith-based Schools

For a complete agenda and to register, click <u>here</u>.



Serving in a leadership role in todays' schools requires a broad and intense commitment to boldness for the benefit of our students. In our personal and professional lives we are called to create dreams and lead teams with exertion. How often does that leave you feeling terrified? Join Nathan Siebenga for a dynamic session that builds upon ideas pulled from Tony Wagner's 2015 book "Most Likely to Succeed: Preparing Our Kids for the Innovation Era."

Mr. Siebenga is the Principal of Hamilton District Christian School (HDCH) in Ontario. In his current capacity he leads HDCH toward the vision of helping students design, develop and deploy beautiful, purposeful work. Mr. Siebenga's talk will follow a screening of the 2016 film of the same name. Join your colleagues in exploring this all too familiar space of being terrified and courageous in a Christian school setting and be prepared to share your own story too.

For registration details and for more information, click <u>here</u>. We look forward to seeing you on the island October 11-13, 2017.

## **MNSAA**

## **Accreditrac Update**

Please note that the MNSAA Accreditrac system will be down following the summer review for scheduled updates. The system will reopen in the fall.

Are you interested in learning more about MNSAA accreditation and how to write a quality report? We encourage you to join us for the summer report review on July 10-11, 2017. Please contact <u>Angelia Salas</u> for more information.

## State and Federal News

#### **State News**

#### Michigan eLibrary

This summers reading theme is "Build a Better World" The Michigan eLibrary has a number of resources to help with research, test preparation and more.

This summer, check <u>MeL.org</u> to see what resources are available for your school. To read more about this summer's reading theme, click <u>here</u>.

## Academy of Natural Resources - July 9-14, 2017 - Higgins Lake, Michigan

The Academy of Natural Resources offers educators the opportunity to learn about Michigan's diverse natural resources, discover current trends in their management and experience activities that bring this knowledge to the classroom. Three separate sections are offered, each with a different emphasis but all benefiting Michigan educators who wish to blend natural resource themes into their school curricula. For more information, click here.

# **Grant Opportunities**

## **Scholastic Teacher Store Book Grant**

The Meemic Foundation has partnered with Scholastic to provide a \$100 Book Grant. Applications are being accepted through June 30th. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information and to apply.



# Professional Development Opportunities

## **Protect Young Eyes**



Protect Young Eyes is an organization that we recently discovered that we'd like to share with our members! Through their constantly updated website and engaging in-person presentations, Protect Young Eyes educates and equips concerned, but busy parents and hyper-connected kids how

to use technology well. Their specialties are social media platforms and device-level parental controls. They speak at schools around the country but are based right in Caledonia, Michigan. They can also be found on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a>, and <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a>. Could your school benefit from hearing internet safety information with a Biblical base? Reach out to Chris McKenna and his team today (<a href="mailto:chrism@protectyoungeyes.com">chrism@protectyoungeyes.com</a>). To learn more about Protect Young Eyes, click <a href="mailto:here">here</a>.

## **REMC Association Professional Development**

The REMC Association of Michigan is sponsoring a number of professional development opportunities all over the State of Michigan this summer. Topics include:

Google Camp

- 21 Things 4 Teachers Modules
- STEM Lab
- EdTech

Visit the REMC Association of Michigan to see what is being offered in your area. For more information and registration, click <a href="here">here</a>.

#### MVU Day Camp - July 25, 2017 - Lansing, Michigan

Spend time examining how technology can help us reach the students who need us the most! This exciting professional development opportunity will be filled with rich discussions about blended learning and intentionally utilizing technology to personalize learning. Cost (\$45-\$55) includes breakfast, lunch



and an awesome experience with educators who make a difference! For more information and to register, click <u>here</u>.

## MACUL Google Fest - August 8-9, 2017 - Grand Rapids, Michigan

# LCMS Early Childhood Conference- August 10, 2017 - Ann Arbor, Michigan

Whether you are a classroom teacher, Early Childhood Director, lead teacher, aide or childcare worker this conference will have something for you. The Michigan District Lutheran Church Missouri Synod has partnered with Concordia University in Ann Arbor to host this day long seminar centered around academic programs, marketing ideas, best practices and more. The Keynote Speaker will be Kim Marxhausen presenting: Teach Your Parents Well. For more information and to register, click here.





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