



May 2017

MANS NOTES

A monthly newsletter to keep you informed.



Executive Director's Corner

Dear MANS Member Schools, Staff, Colleagues, and Friends:

It is a busy time of year as school winds down across the state. The legislature is wrapping up the 2017-18 budget over the next few weeks. MANS members have worked hard over the last six months actively engaging with legislators to advocate for their schools. We ask you one last time to call or email your State Representative and State Senator:

- Thank you for including \$2.5 million in this year's budget to compensate non-public schools for complying with state health and safety mandates.
- Thank you for \$250,000 for non-public schools to participate in a grant competition for the FIRST Robotics program
- Oppose the .75 FTE cap on shared time students proposed in the Senate Education budget

We hope to see you this summer at one or all of the valuable professional learning opportunities offered by MANS including the Engaging Philanthropy Workshop and Law Day. More information is included in MANS Notes.

Please do not delay in registering for the MANS Administrators' Conference scheduled for October 11-13, 2017 at Mackinac Island.

The MANS staff would like to wish you a joyful, restful, fun and blessed Summer Break!

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Sincerely,

Brian & Broderick

MANS Executive Director

Upcoming Events

MANS Law Seminar - June 27, 2017 - Lansing, Michigan



Registration is now open for the 2017 MANS School Law Seminar. Join us at The Michigan Catholic Conference in Lansing, Michigan for a half day seminar that will provide legal overview on topics that are pertinent to non-public schools. Space is limited! For more information and to register, click <u>here</u>.

Engaging Philanthropy: The Summer Institute - June 15-16, 2017 - Bath, Michigan

Join us in Bath for an in-depth course on advancement strategies in faith-based schools. Through unique presentations, time for collaborative planning and access to fund development professionals you will learn strategies that will help you start, or strengthen, your advancement efforts.



Don't let another year pass without a strong long-term vision for engaging your donors.

For more information and to register, click here.

Administrators' Conference - October 11-13, 2017 - Mackinac Island

Thank you to our Mission Sponsor!

The Meemic Foundation is this years Mission Sponsor. We thank them for their ongoing support and their sponsorship of the Keynote Speaker, Nathan Siebenga and the new principal scholarship.



The Meemic Foundation

Created by Meemic Insurance Company and founded as a nonprofit organization, The Meemic Foundation is dedicated to advancing the future of education by offering financial

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assistance to public, private, parochial and charter schools, and colleges and universities. Take a look at all the wonderful opportunities The Meemic Foundation offers to support schools by clicking here.

Again, thank you to The Meemic Foundation for your support of the Administrators' Conference and your continued support of MANS.

For registration information regarding the Administrators' Conference, click here. Early Bird registration ends June 15th!

MNSAA

Annual Reporting

MNSAA accredited schools are reminded to contact their MNSAA regional coordinator about report submission due dates. Reports submitted to MNSAA after the deadline, or without payment, will not be reviewed. Payments can be submitted in Accreditrac using a credit card. You may also download an invoice to be submitted with a check . Payments are due no later than June 15, 2017.

Please contact Angelia Salas if you have any questions.

State and Federal News

State News

Proposed Educator Certification Model

The Michigan Department of Education, Office of Professional Preparation Services, is requesting stakeholder feedback on a proposed structure for Michigan teacher certification. This structure is the result of 18 months of research, data collection, and K- 12 and higher education stakeholder feedback. For more information, click here.

Ok2Say Spring Newsletter

OK2SAY continues to encourage confidential tips on potential criminal activities or harm directed at students, school employees, and schools. Since September 2014, OK2SAY has received over 7,800



tips. For the latest news related to the Ok2Say Program, click here.

The YMCA Michigan Youth in Government

The MYIG program provides the perfect hands-on civic engagement experience that will bring government to life for students. MYIG programming supports Social Studies Proficiencies, Core Democratic Values, and Constitutional Principles. Your school can form a delegation and participate in the annual conference. Teachers can earn SCECH's through participation. For more information, click here.

Michigan Film and Digital Media - Computer Science First Program

The Michigan Film & Digital Media Office has partnered with Google to provide computer science education in Michigan through the Computer Science (CS) First Program. Schools can register to have a CS First Program available at their school. For additional information along with registration details, click <u>here</u>.

Professional Development Opportunities

Word Revelation - June 16 & 23, 2017 - Lansing, Michigan

Are you a teacher, tutor, or just interested in learning how to teach reading and improve students' reading, spelling, confidence, and joy? Join Caitlin Dillon as she presents ways to maximize your K-12 students' literacy skills. For more information and to register, click <u>here</u>.

Michigan Literacy Leadership Workshop - June 26, 2017 - Lansing, Michigan

Join building administrators, K-4 team leads, and many more for this free literacy workshop centered around awareness of the school-wide and center-wide practices in literacy. For more information and to register, click <u>here</u>.

Beyond Special Education: Inclusion in the Christian School - August 3-4, 2017 - Palos Heights, Illinois

Learn a framework for understanding all learners, understand the biblical basis for serving students with differing support needs, and discover practical resources to transform teaching for all students.



This conference will also feature special training sessions on autism spectrum disorder, ADHD, and trauma (select two of the three options). In addition to presentations and workshops by CLC Network consultants, you will have the opportunity to discuss and network with colleagues from across the United States. For more information, click <u>here</u>.

Michigan Virtual University's Professional Learning Portal

Are you in need of a few more State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs) in order to renew your certificate this year? Make sure to check out Michigan Virtual University for a variety of professional development courses.

For more information and a list of available classes, click here.



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