



"Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light for my path."

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Executive Corner

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

MANS was fortunate to host the 2018 Summer CAPE Institute in Detroit last week. CAPE is the Council for American Private Education and is the national voice for all private schools in Washington, D.C. Representatives from 18 states and the new CAPE Executive Director gathered for two days to discuss topics such as successful messaging on school choice issues, how to win students and influence parents, and the relationship between private schools, foundations, and other funders. It is reassuring to know that there are private school advocates across the country representing thousands of schools and hundreds of thousands students and families all with the common goal of providing quality education and choices for parents all to fulfill what was opined by the U.S. Supreme Court in its 1925 decision in *Pierce v Society of Sisters*... the right of private schools to exist and parents' right to oversee their children's education.

Sincerely,



MANS Executive Director

Advocacy

State News

School Safety Police Grant August 1, 2018 - end of August

A total of \$25,000,000 will be made available during the current fiscal year, which ends September 30, 2018, for school safety improvements. A wide variety of school safety projects are allowable under this funding. Please click on the link to learn how to apply. The grant guidelines will be posted [here](#) no later than August 1st.

[Learn More](#)

Pre-K Child Care School Employees: Fingerprint Clarification

An employed pre-K child care staff member must be fingerprinted under the Revised School Code. The Revised School Code states that the board of a school district, intermediate school district, or the governing body of a nonpublic school shall request the State Police to conduct a criminal records check through the Federal Bureau of Investigation which is to be made on an applicant or individual hired for any full or part time employment, as well as an individual working regularly under contract in any of its schools.

[Learn More](#)

Dual Enrollment Reminders for the 2018-19 School Year

The Postsecondary Enrollment Options Act provides for payment from a school district's state aid foundation grant for enrollment of certain eligible high school students in postsecondary courses of education, allowing for what is often called Dual Enrollment. Take a moment to review the key issues with dual enrollment as identified by the Michigan Department of Education to better understand the standing regulations.

[Learn More](#)

Professional Development

MANS Upcoming Events

Creating Pathways August 2, 2018 - Bath, Michigan

This inaugural conference meets the professional development needs of school administrative assistants. Join your colleagues from non-public schools across the state for a day of learning and networking at the Bengel Wildlife Center. Registration ends on July 25th!

[Learn More](#)



MANS Education Conference and Expo October 18-19, 2018 - Grand Rapids

Registration is now open! Make registration planning simpler for you and your staff with this helpful **worksheet**. Don't miss the expo while out searching for lunch. Our boxed lunch options are an easy way to sustain yourself and experience the many events scheduled at the conference. Early bird registration ends August 31st!



[Learn More](#)

Faith-based Educator Award

Take a moment to nominate the teachers that stand as representatives of excellent faith-based education in your schools! Winners will be recognized at the 2018 MANS Conference and Expo.

[MANS Faith-Based Educator Award-
Deadline August 10, 2018](#)



Professional Learning Opportunities

The Michigan Association of Non-public Schools has compiled a list of upcoming professional learning opportunities for non-public schools that includes MANS events along with events provided through the Michigan Equitable Service Collaborative (MESCC). Keep an eye out for the Michigan Equitable Service Collaborative Newsletter being sent soon to Michigan non-public schools. Thanks to Title IIA resources, some opportunities offered are discounted by up to 75%.

[Learn More](#)

Additional Professional Development

Google "Classroom Kickstart" Online Course Begins July 29th, 2018 - 5 week course

Interested in using Google Classroom this coming school year? Join John Sowash, an experienced Google Certified teacher, for a 5 week course on how Google Classroom can save you time and help you design better lessons.



[Learn More](#)

Concordia University Summer Institute Workshops July 30th - August 9th, 2018 - Ann Arbor, MI

Each day, throughout a two week time period, there will be workshops at Concordia University on various topics that can be used in the classroom in the coming year. SCECHS and lunch are included, and \$25 scholarships are available to Lutheran school teachers.

[Learn More](#)

Oakland Schools Social Studies Workshops August 2nd and 13th, 2018 - Waterford, MI

Learn about teaching the Declaration of Independence or the Constitution at one of Oakland Schools summer sessions. Through the usage of inquiry, join in exploring how to scaffold questions to deepen student learning, as well as how to embed historical thinking and literacy into instruction.

[Learn More](#)

REMC Virtual Courses Beginning August 6th, 2018

Sign up for REMC's Virtual Courses to expand technology skills and integrate emerging topics into the classroom. Multiple engaging online courses, such as "Literacy Instruction and Technology: Foundational Elements," are available for SCECH credits.

[Learn More](#)

Google Certification Academy August 6-7th, 2018 - Charlotte, MI; August 8-9th, 2018 - Grand Rapids, MI

The Google Academy features advanced training and instruction on G Suite for Education and Chromebooks, as well as ongoing support as attendees become Google Certified Educators. Participants will receive helpful study materials, practice exams, and classroom templates in addition to two days of instruction, lunch, SCECH credit, and some surprise goodies!

[Learn More](#)

LCMS Early Childhood Summer Conferences August 8th, 9th, & 10th, 2018 - separate locations throughout Michigan

Engage in topics in early education such as "Promoting Social Emotional Health in Young Children" and "Small Groups with Infants and Toddlers" at one of LCMS' summer conferences while earning SCECHS!

[Learn More](#)

K-3 Essential Instructional Practices Institute August 6th-9th, 2018 - Novi, MI; Sept. 24th-27th, 2018 - Grand Rapids, MI

These 4 day institutes offer deeper learning around the K-3 Essential Instructional Practices in Early Literacy. Teams will be provided the content and resources needed to lead literacy work and professional learning around the K-3 Instructional Essentials in their regions.

[Learn More](#)

Michigan Association for Media in Education (MAME) "School Librarians: Leading the Way" Conference October 24-26, 2018- Troy, Michigan

Join the Michigan Association for Media in Education (MAME) in Troy for a librarian leadership conference. In their work to support school librarians and media specialists, they provide librarian resources to support their students with high-quality media

services.

[Learn More](#)

Michigan Google Education Summit November 5 - 6, 2018 - Freeland High School MESC Discount Available - 75% off!

Attend this two day conference organized and run by Michigan educators, featuring unique application of Google tools in the classroom including Chromebooks, Google Drive, Blogger, Maps, and more! The MESC will subsidize the cost for you to be inspired to use the technology you already have to promote student engagement and success if you use the code "mesc-18" upon registering.



[Learn More](#)

#GoOpen Michigan Microsite: An Accessible Resource for Educators!

The #GoOpen Michigan Microsite has officially been launched. As a virtual library of openly licensed educational resources and collaboration space for Michigan educators, it will allow educators and students to discover materials that can be used in the classroom, as well as share their own ideas and resources.

[Learn More](#)

Innovative Solutions

State Continuing Education Clock Hours

Are you offering professional development through your school or diocese? If it contains at least three hours of educational content, it may qualify for SCECHs. Email this **application** and the final agenda to **Shelley Long** at least 45 days prior to your event. MANS will inform you when it has been approved, and will send you all the paperwork you need so your educators can receive their well-deserved SCECHs and maintain their educational certificates.

[Learn More](#)

Fund Development Opportunities

Meemic Foundation: Traditional Grant Due September 30th

Meemic's Traditional Grant is available for funding up to \$500 for any of your classroom needs. Apply for a chance to win!

[Learn More](#)



The Meemic Foundation

Meemic Foundation: Scholastic Book Grant Due September 30th

Answer three simple questions to apply for a \$100 book grant that can be used exclusively through the Scholastic online store!

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