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MoASSP Update September 28, 2017

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MoASSP Principals,



Principal [Baruti K. Kafele](#) – “My School a Better School BECAUSE I Lead It?”

Principal Kafele will kick off the MoASSP/MCCTA Conference on Sunday evening. He is one of the most sought after educational speakers in the country. He is passionate and unapologetic. Principal Kafele will engage your reflective process and make you wonder why you have not seen the principalship from the inside out before. Participants will be challenged to look within themselves for deeper meaning of their own personal worth and value to their schools.



David Geurin, Principal of Bolivar, MO High School is one of the 2017 NASSP Digital Principals of the Year

– You have seen him all over twitter and now you get to see him in person. Are you leading with a vision for the future? Schools are struggling with apathy and the disconnect between students' lives outside of school and what happens inside school. It's time to crush apathy and make learning irresistible. It's time for bold leadership that pushes limits. It's time for every principal to be a digital leader. A future focus, combined with action today, will make sure students are ready for whatever they face.



Elaine Metcalf of Summit Technology Academy - Summit Technology Academy offers programs that blend classroom instruction with hands-on learning experiences. The teachers will prepare high school students for their education journey while immersing them in their chosen career path through a variety of on-site field experiences in local businesses, such as hospitals, city offices, engineering firms, data centers and biomedical labs.

Still Time to Register for the Fall Conference

We have over 300 registrations!

[MoASSP/MCCTA Fall Conference](#) - *Creating Innovative Learning Opportunities*

Membership – MoASSP has 1,130 members as of September 26, 2017 - We are just 70 away from breaking the 1,200 mark and that will put the membership over the halfway mark of having all principals and assistant principals as members. We have had a resurgence of members who have not joined for years. Today we received a membership from a principal who has not been with us for seven years. I expect we will increase our membership in a range of 100 to 150 before Thanksgiving. ***“Excited to be a part of a great organization. If you are a secondary school principal you should join. Bam!!!”*** Thanks Todd! Use the school or district card at the [MoASSP Online Store](#) or use the [Fillable Membership Form](#).

Your voice matters –Renee Trotier, Missouri High School Principal of the Year, spent several days this week in Washington, DC meeting with Missouri members of Congress, talking with other state selected POY, and gaining leadership knowledge. I can't wait to hear what she has learned from her experience. I'm sure she will share with all of us how her involvement in DC has and will benefit all principals in Missouri. You may see some of her photo opportunities with Claire McCaskill, Roy Blunt, and Ann Wagner on her twitter page: [@RSHSPincipal](#)

ACT adjusts Weekday Testing Price - ACT is very excited to share that they are now able to offer Missouri schools reduced pricing for the weekday administration of the ACT. Please see below. Please know that even if you have already signed up, ACT will adjust pricing to reflect the new pricing schedule. Weekday SADT (State and District Testing) The ACT= \$37.00 (down from \$45) The ACT+Writing = \$55.00 (down from \$61.50). You may go to the provided link for more information: <http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act-educator/states-and-districts.html>

The registration deadline for Early Spring testing is September 29th, 2017. For Late Spring, the registration deadline is October 27, 2017.

District Testing Key Dates and Deadlines

	Registration/Contact	Initial Testing Date (Paper)	Make-up Test Date (Paper)	Online Testing Window
Spring 2018	September 29, 2017	February 27, 2018	March 20, 2018	February 27-28, 2018 March 6-8, 2018
Spring 2018	October 27, 2017	April 3, 2018	April 24, 2018	April 3-5, 2018

New Personal Finance Standards - At its September 19th meeting, the State Board of Education approved new personal finance standards for Missouri public schools. A half-credit of personal finance is required for Missouri students to graduate. The revised personal finance standards specify levels of attainment for high school students in the areas of financial decision-making, earning income, buying goods and services, saving, using credit, protecting and insuring, and financial investing. Each area builds on the previous areas as students move through the course. Missouri school districts will develop their own curriculum to teach the revised standards, which will be implemented in the 2018-19 school year. Assessments on the standards will begin in the 2019-20 school year. Please use this link: <https://dese.mo.gov/sites/default/files/PersonalFinanceSept2017.pdf> to access copies of the approved standards and other information shared with the State Board of Education.

[MSIP Scoring Guide](#) – Please, don’t think someone else will make their opinion’s known. Your voice matters, and who better to share what your students and teachers need than principals? One thing DESE does well is provide opportunities for people to offer suggestions. The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is holding a public meeting on October 4, 2017, relating to the revision of the Missouri School Improvement Program Scoring Guide as required by Mo. Rev. Stat. §§ 161.092. This meeting will be conducted in Room 450 of the Governor’s Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri and will commence at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude at 10:30 a.m. The room will open to accommodate public seating at 8:00 a.m. You can also email your suggestions to: msip@dese.mo.gov. Your thoughts or suggestions may also be sent to me at: plewis@moassp.org

[Amber Teamann’s blog in ASCD](#) - I don’t know about you, but I didn’t go into leadership to become a manager. I wanted to inspire, to empower...to make a campus the very best that it can be for the students it serves. Every action (or reaction!) I exhibit whole at school, I am very cognizant of the notion that someone is always watching. With that being said, I don’t want to be seen as a manager. I want to

emulate being a lead learner. I want my teachers to see me as having a growth mindset. Someone who is always growing, always willing to try and experience new things. A lead learner is ok when things get complicated, when there is failure. They know that mistakes are a part of learning.

Beginning Teacher Assistance Program Workshops: Sponsored by MoASSP and MAESP

Time: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Cost: \$88.00

- **October 12th (University of Central Missouri)**
- **October 13th (Lindenwood University)**
- **October 14th (Lindenwood University)**

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October is your month, because It Really is the Principal of the Thing.