

**Legislative Update:** 2024 Session adjourned on April 20. The Governor has 30 days to sign or veto bills approved during the final three days of the Session. See the April 25 Update for the latest. See the April 18 Update for many other policy bills passed in the week and a half leading up to adjournment. RSAI will publish a list of legislative activities that we requested and were enacted successfully, to help advocates thank legislators for positive actions.

**More Information Coming Soon:** RSAI will publish the 2024 Legislative Session Digest to describe all of the bills enacted that impact schools. There will be a mandate tracker to show what new policies require school district action. ISFIS has scheduled two Special Topics Webinars after the Governor's veto window to share details school leaders need to know about the Session and next steps. Stay tuned to your email inbox for more information.

**Interim Legislative Activities:** Two remaining RSAI Regional Meetings are scheduled: for the Southeast Region, May 1 in Fairfield and Northwest Region, May 7 in Pocahontas, both following the AEA superintendents meeting with lunch included. The priorities discussions from those Regional Meetings and answers to a Legislative Priorities Survey, which will be sent to members this summer, will inform the RSAI Legislative Committee members as they prepare a draft platform for members to discuss and approve at the RSAI Annual Meeting on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Vacancy on RSAI Leadership Group:** We will have an at-large seat on the RSAI Board vacant as of July 1 until an election will be held at the Annual Meeting for the new three-year term. Any superintendent or board member from a school district with RSAI membership in good standing is eligible for the position. The Leadership Group meets virtually as needed (typically over a lunch hour no more than once monthly). The at-large position also serves on the RSAI Legislative Committee that meets in Des Moines at ISFIS one day in August. RSAI sent out a call for interested individuals or nominations, with interest due back by May 6<sup>th</sup>. The Leadership Group will appoint to fill the vacancy, so the new person can attend the July – Sept meetings. The seat will be up for re-election at the Annual meeting in October.

**RSAI Advocacy Resources:**

Check out the RSAI Website at <https://www.rsaia.org/2024-legislative-session.html> to find Advocacy Resources such as Position Papers, RSAI Weekly Legislative Recap Reports and Videos, RSAI Calls to Action and more. Contact us with any questions, feedback or suggestions to better prepare your advocacy work.

**RSAI Annual Meeting:**

Save the date for the RSAI Annual Meeting, which will be held on **Tuesday, October 15, 2024**, at the FFA Enrichment Center in Ankeny. More details coming soon!

**Thanks to all of you for your energy and voice on behalf of the students in your schools!**