SAM Update - MSU EDLD 645/655 – 6/23/20

SAM was organized as an association for administrators in 1971. It represents the interests, aspirations, and professional leadership of Montana administrators. Over 1080 members network under six affiliate associations (MASS, MAEMSP, MASSP, MCASE, MACSS, META) to promote GREAT Montana Schools, supporting leader’s passion for providing an outstanding education to Montana's children!

The SAM Strategic Plan 2018-22 (adopted by the SAM Board 10/18/18) outlines the benefits being a SAM member affords each education leader through their contributions to the greater good of the education community to inspire our students…

SAM Executive Director’s Strategic Plan Report for 4th Quarter 2019-20

Leadership Involved in Decisions that Impact Education

- AKA – SAM members working together to literally have a seat at the table (input) on all efforts that impact the education of Montana’s children.
- COVID-19 Information for Schools
- Recruitment and Retention of Quality Educators Update
  - RISE4MT Update 1-16-20
  - MT 2018 R&R Study Results, Infographic and Summary implications on future recruitment & retention efforts
  - Educator Recruitment and Retention webpage
  - HB 211 – loan repayment for critical educator shortages. Resources to Implement
- Montana Rural Schools Virtual Career Fair – March 13, 2020 – Details
- GREAT 2019 released at MCEL 2019, Oct 16-18 in Billings for school district use
- 2019-20 Leadership Staffing Report tells the story of efficient, effective administration
- School Safety and MT-PEC Project Safe Schools and Suicide Prevention
- SAM Needs Assessment 2020 Executive Summary and the SAM Needs Assessment Data Disaggregated by Affiliate 2020 provides information for our association’s future professional learning, advocacy and items important to our attention toward.
- Broadband Connectivity Progress, ESH Report and Montana Progress Report, One-Pager 6/8/20
- DPHHS Rules on Healthy Learning Environments in Schools
- Student Data Privacy/Terms of Service META Project – HB 745 – Launch – MTSPA
- SAM Administrator Vacancy Report 2019-20
Advocacy

- SAM Delegate Assembly 2020
  - SAM 2019 Advocacy Priorities, Positions, Resolutions Approved 10-18-19
  - Call for Positions and Resolutions, Selecting Delegates
- Legislative Interim Advocacy – Committees, Upcoming
- Federal Advocacy
- SCOTUS consideration of Espinoza vs. MT Dept of Revenue – SCOTUS Blog, Ballotpedia, MQEC Update

Professional Learning and Services

- Professional learning opportunities for educational leaders aligned with best practices research and innovative strategies.
- The SAM Leaders Professional Learning Program (LPLP) 2019-20 is a best practices professional learning delivery system that personalizes learning for Montana administrators. Over the past 6 years, SAM LPLP has supported 420 administrators in meeting their personalized professional learning needs. In 2019-20, 90 administrators have joined the LPLP, forming ten Collegial Learning Networks with coach/mentors to personalize a professional learning plan enhancing their ability to serve their students, school and community! See the SAM LPLP 2019-20 Mid Year Executive Summary. SAM LPLP 2020-21 registration and planning is underway.
- MT-PEC Collaborative Professional Development Flexibility & Efficiency - Framework
- SAM Virtual Administrators Institute 2020 - “Tell Your Story” - School Re-Entry & Recovery After Pandemic Event
- MCEL 2020 planning underway
- SAM annually assists in the operation of 11 conferences creating learning opportunities for our members. See the ‘Professional Learning’ ‘Conferences’ tab on the website.
- SAM Membership Join Here Benefits SAM Web Calendar
- SAM Youth Endowment – help a worthy student/family through the Endowment
- SAM and Affiliate Awards – Current Award Opportunities
- SAM developed web-based communication tools for the use of our Members. Click HERE to see the instructions on how to use the E-list tool. Click DOCUMENT or VIDEO to learn how to use SAM Community Forums.
- Member benefits: Affiliate regional meetings, SAM Bulletin and weekly SAM Update, colleague networks, state and federal advocacy networks, legal assistance, professional liability insurance, technology embedded solutions including website, cloud-based solutions, use of social media, E-Lists, digital Community Forums to enhance member communication, many more…

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