

School Administrators of Montana



Visionary leaders united in providing, advocating, and creating education excellence for Montana students!

MAEMSP North Central Region SAM Update – November 26, 2018

SAM was organized as an association for administrators in 1978. It represents the interests, aspirations, and professional leadership of Montana administrators. Over 1050 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...

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.
- [MAEMSP Strategic Plan](#) focuses on the great work being accomplished.
- [Responses to MAEMSP Eastern Region Principal questions/research](#).
- Recruitment and Retention of Quality Educators Update
 - [RISE4MT DRAFT Update 10-25-18](#) and [MUS Rural Educator Recruitment and Retention Task Force](#).
 - [MT Critical Quality Educator Shortages Report – Nov 2017](#)
 - [RELNW R&R Survey](#) implications on future recruitment & retention efforts.
- [GREAT 2018](#) - The Great Work of Montana's Public School volume VI was released at MCEL on 10-18-18, see the [Press Release](#) available for you to tell the story about your local schools.
- [Montana ESSA](#) and [ESSA Implementation Plan](#).
- [School Safety](#) and [MT-PEC Project Safe Schools](#) and [Suicide Prevention](#)
- [Broadband for MT Schools Program](#) – [Back-to-School Letter](#)
- Negotiated Rule Making Committees – [Student Assessment](#) and [MT Hazard & Emergency Response](#)
- [SAM Needs Assessment 2018 Executive Summary](#) and recently developed [SAM Needs Assessment Data Disaggregated by Affiliate 2018](#) reveals the continuing priorities of SAM members for professional learning and advocacy – Please watch for FY19 SAM Needs Assessment coming in December!

Advocacy

- [SAM Advocacy Issues 2018-19](#)
- [SAM Advocacy Priorities, Positions and Resolutions](#)
- [2019 Legislative Session](#) preparation and forming the [SAM Legislative Network 2019](#)
- [Federal Advocacy](#)

Professional Learning and Services

- Professional learning opportunities for educational leaders aligned with best practices research and innovative strategies.
- The [SAM Leaders Professional Learning Program \(LPLP\) 2018-19](#) is a best practices professional learning delivery system that personalizes learning for Montana administrators now in its fifth year. Over this time, the LPLP has supported nearly 300 administrators. See the [SAM LPLP 2017-18 Executive Summary](#). Currently, 53 administrators are in the LPLP forming [Collegial Learning Networks](#) with coach/mentors to personalize a professional learning plan that will enhance their ability to serve their students, school and community!
- [SAM Administrators Institute 2018](#), “Empowering Students - Focusing on Leadership of Personalized Learning, Social Emotional Learning, and Information Security”. SAM AI 19 is scheduled for July 29-31, 2019 in Helena!
- [MCEL 2018](#) (October 17-19, 2018) “Be an Agent of Change” was a success in Missoula.
- SAM annually assists in the operation of 11 conferences creating learning opportunities for our members. See the ‘Professional Learning’ ‘[Conferences](#)’ tab on the website.
- [Montana Principals Conference 2019](#), January 27-29 at the Helena Delta Hotel by Marriott (Colonial)
- [#SAMedchat](#) – weekly chat group to dialogue about key education issues. 7:00-8:00 PM every other Tuesday starting September 25, 2018.
- [MAEMSP Elections](#) – Vice President, State Representative, Federal Relations Coordinator – Applications Due January 11, 2019.
- [SAM website](#), a one-stop repository for member resources! Check it out!
- [SAM Membership 2018-19 1st Quarter](#) - currently at 1026 members on 11/21/18.
- [SAM and Affiliate Awards](#). See [MAEMSP Awards](#) - nominations due 12/14/18.
- [SAM Youth Endowment](#) – Online nomination form will be available soon.
- 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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