Local Government Investment Pools: An Attractive Alternative for Cash Management

The Missouri Association of School Administrators and McKinstry have partnered to provide two 12-20% awards for creative, dynamic, educational practices that have a powerful impact on student and staff learning and motivation. The purpose of this award is to reward worthy ideas, initiatives, programs and/or projects. One award is selected from each of the six smaller districts and one award for a mid-to-large district. Winner(s) will be announced at the Spring MASA Conference by Scott Downing from McKinstry.

Congratulations to this year’s recipients, the MASA McKinstry Innovation Award. The recipient of the McKinstry Innovation Award for 2020 is Aths-Sauk School District. The recipient of the Spring MASA Conference’s Local Government Investment Pool: An Attractive Alternative for Cash Management Award is the School Administrators and McKinstry.

Masa/MoASBO Workshop: Evaluating the Budget
November 11 and 12, 2020
MASA Conference Center (MASA) - Online

This workshop will assist school administrators in identifying areas of budget concerns and will provide an opportunity for an open forum discussion about budgeting and other school finance topics. Jason Hoffman, Chief Financial Officer for the Jefferson City School District and Masa/MoASBO’s representative, as well as DESE representatives, will lead the session. The workshop will also include a discussion of current financial and future funding issues as well as advice on how to identify potential partners in a district’s budget.

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The Pandemic Journey

By Doug Hayes, MASA Executive Director

As you scan the figures below, there are a couple of noteworthy facts.

Those all you are the state, and national levels.

• This is one of the most significant crises in the United States. Foundations have taken a number of actions to support schools during the pandemic, including providing additional resources, developing new programs, and offering virtual learning options. These efforts are helping schools to continue providing high-quality education to students while ensuring the health and safety of all school community members.

• The pandemic has highlighted the importance of strong leadership. School administrators and teachers have worked tirelessly to adapt to changing circumstances and provide a stable learning environment for students.

• The pandemic has also underscored the importance of collaboration and communication. Schools have been working closely with local and state governments to ensure that students have access to the resources they need.

• The pandemic response has been complex and challenging, but it has also shown the resilience and creativity of educators and school leaders.

• The pandemic has also highlighted areas where we need to continue to improve our systems and policies. For example, we need to continue to invest in technology and infrastructure to support virtual and hybrid learning models.

• The pandemic has also highlighted the importance of public education and the role it plays in our society. Public education is essential for ensuring that all students have access to quality education and opportunities for success in life.

The pandemic journey has been a difficult one, but it has also been a time of growth and learning. We are all stronger and more resilient because of it. I believe in public education, and I am proud to be a part of the movement to ensure that all students have access to the education they need to succeed in life.