





2021 Spring Conference

The Lodge of Four Seasons March 24-26, 2021 Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Greetings!

The 2021 MASA/MOSPRA Spring Conference is set for March 24-26 at the Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, Missouri. We believe that this will be an exceptional conference with great keynote speakers, professional development opportunities and time to celebrate our peers.

You will note that several aspects of the conference will be a little different, but our goal is to provide our members the best conference experience possible.

The conference is being held in-person, and MASA is working closely with The Lodge of Four Seasons to create a safe environment for attendees, presenters and vendors. We will only be using the larger rooms for breakout sessions and special events in order to exercise social distancing. This may call for some longer walks to reach certain sessions, and it will mean that we will have fewer people sitting at tables during meals and other events. Hand sanitizer will be provided to all attendees and the Lodge will have sanitizer stations as well. The MASA leadership team will be wearing safety masks the majority of the time we are with groups of conference participants, and respectfully ask that when possible attendees wear masks. (Masks will be available at the sanitizer tables).

We are taking additional measures to give our business vendors more time with conference attendees, and we encourage you to visit the exhibit booths. Not only will you learn about some great products, but you will be supporting the businesses that support MASA. In order to help our vendors save costs, the Exhibit Hall will only be open on Thursday, March 25.

- Keynote speakers: Dr. Bruce Baker and Mr. Sean Covel
- Pre-Conference activities
- Break-out sessions (including presenters, session overviews, and dates/times of sessions)
- Special events including banquets, receptions, and special meetings

We've been using the word "flexible" a lot these days, and we ask that you be flexible with us. We may need to cancel a session or move an event on short notice, but we will keep you informed as best we can. Related to that, we will not only keep information on the website, but also on the MASA and MOSPRA apps.

We look forward to seeing you at the conference!

The MASA Executive Committee, MOSPRA Board, and MASA Staff

Conference Schedule

(Subject to Change)

Wednesday, March 24

8:00 - Registration Opens 8:30 - 2:00 - *Aspiring Superintendent Workshop (*This session calls for a separate registration from the conference.)

Wednesday Afternoon Sessions

2:30 - 3:45 - Opening General Session Keynote Speaker - Dr. Bruce Baker 4:00 - 5:00 - Breakout Sessions 5:00 - 6:00 - Dialogue With The Commissioner

Wednesday Evening

6:30 - MASA Awards Banquet - Sponsored by Tueth Keeney Cooper Mohan & Jackstadt, PC and Horace Mann 6:30 - MOSPRA Banquet Reception - Sponsored by Intrado/SchoolMessenger Solutions & Benchmark One K-12 7:30 - MOSPRA Awards Banquet - Sponsored by Blackboard 9:00 - MOSPRA Award Recipients Celebration - Sponsored by Blackboard & Parent Square 9:00 - MASA Reception For Honorees - Sponsored by United Health Care

Thursday Morning, March 25

7:00 - 11:30 - Registration Opens
7:00 - 8:00 - Breakfast - Sponsored by ACI/Boland Architects
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Exhibits Open
8:30 - 9:30 - Breakout Sessions
9:30 - 10:15 - Time To Visit Exhibit Hall
10:15 -11:15- Breakout Sessions

Thursday Keynote

11:30 - Sponsored by L. J. Hart & Co. and EdCounsel LLC School Attorneys Speaker: Sean Covel

Thursday Luncheon

11:30 -- Sponsored by L. J. Hart & Co. and
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Special Announcements & MOSPRA Administrator of the Year

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2:00 - 3:00 Breakout Sessions 3:00 - 3:30 Refreshment Break (Exhibit Hall) 3:30 - 4:30 Breakout Sessions

Thursday Evening

5:30 - President's Gala Reception - Exhibit Door Prizes Announced Sponsors by: American Fidelity Assurance Company, Stifel 8:30 -- MOSPRA Special Thursday Evening Event -- Sponsored by Thoughtexchange 7:00 - Fun Activity - Sponsored by American Fidelity Assurance Company and Guin Mundorf, LLC

Friday Morning, March 26

8:00 - MOSPRA Breakfast and Special Friday Session - Sponsored by Gabbart Communications & Parent Square 8:00 - MASA Breakfast and Business Meeting - MASA Breakfast Sponsored by Mickes O'Toole, LLC 9:00 - Legislative and School Finance Issues