



FOR YOUR *information*

A MONTHLY UPDATE ON
STATE BOARD PROCEEDINGS,
ASSOCIATION NEWS &
K-12 TOPICS

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State BOE Discusses Proposed \$300 Million Budget Increase, Revamped State Report Card.

This week's State Board of Education work session featured a comprehensive walkthrough of the ALSDE's \$300 million proposed budget increase, which targets six major project areas: boosting literacy, numeracy and STEM; preparing graduates; increasing teacher quality and quantity; implementing a new student information system; and focusing on special student populations. Board members also previewed the new look for the online State Report Card and heard an update on changes to the state ESSA plan.

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Have You Taken the ALSDE's Take 10 Survey?

The ALSDE is asking the public to weigh in and help shape the future of public education in Alabama. The 10-minute survey is open Sept. 10 - Oct. 10. Every voice matters!

[Take survey...](#)



Annual Convention Registration & Room Block Open Sept. 17

Registration and the hotel room block for AASB's Annual Convention & Delegate Assembly will open Tuesday, Sept. 17. The event, slated for Dec. 5-7 in Birmingham, will feature powerful general session speakers who will expound on this year's theme, "Unleash the Champion Within." Attendees will earn up to 8 training hours in AASB's School Board Member Academy.



There's still time to register for AASB's Fall Academy Core Conference, Leadership for Academic Achievement, at the Renaissance Montgomery Hotel & Spa Oct. 6 & 7 (6 training hours). Make plans to extend your learning by attending the Post-Conference Talk & Tour at the Equal Justice Initiative's Legacy Museum and National Memorial for Peace and Justice (3 hours).

[Register now...](#)



Just Ask Jayne

This month's edition of AASB's new "Just Ask Jayne" series features information about the common question of what the law says regarding the use of accumulated sick leave to get a "head start" on retirement.

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Convention Entertainment Contest Starts Sept. 17

Finalists for AASB's Convention Entertainment Contest have been selected, and now it's time to let your local schools and communities pick their favorite group. The contest will run on AASB's Facebook page Sept. 17 to Oct. 1. The lucky group with the most votes will earn bragging rights as this year's "fan favorite" and will be invited to perform at AASB's Convention.

[Learn more...](#)



Building a Winning Team: Effective Board-Superintendent Relations

A winning team at the board table helps produce better results throughout the school system. AASB Member Engagement Representative Dr. Suzanne Freeman will share tips to help school board members and superintendents build strong working relationships that foster a focus on student success. Join us Thursday, Nov. 7 from noon to 1 p.m. for this informative webinar!

[Register...](#)



AASB Membership Cards

Did you know your AASB membership card (non-transferable) entitles you to free admission to AHSAA state championship playoff games if a school in your system is competing? To request your membership card, call AASB at 800-562-0601 or [email us](#).



Raising County Board Salaries

Is your county board considering a salary raise? This act may only be taken up in November during the required meeting allowing the public to address the board about the allotment of public funds and other board matters relating to Ala. Code §16-8-3. [Learn more](#).



District Director Elections

Ballots listing nominees for AASB District Directors will be mailed to district members by Oct. 1. Board presidents must certify the board voted at a meeting to choose a candidate, and ballots must be received or postmarked to AASB by Oct. 31. [Learn more](#).



Early Registration for NSBA Advocacy Institute Opens Sept. 25

NSBA's annual Advocacy Institute will be held Feb. 2 - 4 in Washington, D.C. Get the tools you need to sharpen your advocacy skills and communicate effectively with elected officials. [Learn more](#).

