

UPCOMING PD SESSIONS

February, 2020

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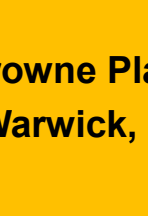
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Save the Date!



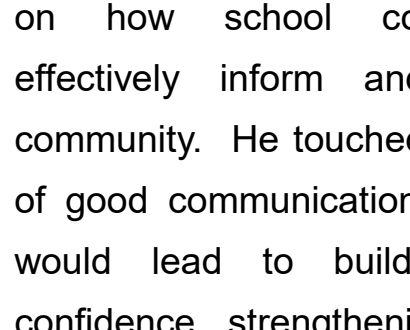
Plan to attend
RIASC's
Annual Meeting

May 2, 2020

Crowne Plaza
Warwick, RI

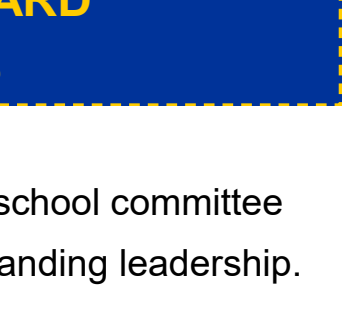
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TELLING THE DISTRICT'S STORY



On January 25, over 50 school committee members attended a session entitled *"The School Committee's Role in Telling the District's Story."*

Christopher Horan from Horan Communications presented on how school committees can effectively inform and engage the community. He touched upon a variety of good communication strategies that would lead to building community confidence, strengthening partnerships and securing support from the community and stakeholders.



HOWARD KAY AWARD NOMINATIONS

RIASC is seeking nominations for a school committee member who has demonstrated outstanding leadership.

ELIGIBILITY

- Any committee member who has served at any time from May 1, 2019 to April 1, 2020 is eligible to be nominated. This includes members retired after May 1, 2019, and
- has attended two or more RIASC functions from May 1, 2019—April 1, 2020, and
- serves on a school committee that is a RIASC member.

Please submit a brief written statement about the nominee explaining his or her attributes as a school committee leader.

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS APRIL 3, 2020.

Mail nominations to:
Timothy Duffy, RIASC
PO Box 7791
Warwick, RI 02887
Fax to: 272-9834
Or email to: jspremulli@ri-asc.org

The Award will be presented at our Annual Meeting on May 2, 2020.

RIASC PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT Plan to achieve your 6 hours in 2020!

According to State law, Rhode Island school committee members must engage in six hours of professional development every calendar year.

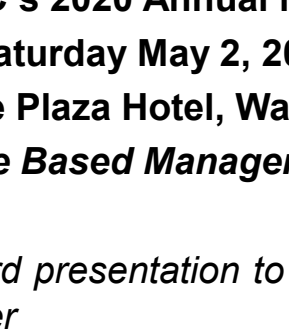
Did you know RIASC offered over 60 hours of professional development opportunities in 2019 and, overall, members have accrued over 12,000 professional development hours?

RIASC'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY Why Stop at Six Hours?

In 2004 The Rhode Island Association of School Committees created the Leadership Academy, a voluntary professional development program for school committee members.

After completing 15 hours of RIASC professional development, Academy graduates receive recognition from the Rhode Island Board of Education at our Annual Meeting.

2020 NSBA ANNUAL MEETING EARN RIASC CREDITS FOR ATTENDING



Registration is now open to attend

NSBA's 2020 Annual Meeting

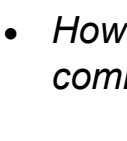
April 3-6, 2020

Chicago, IL

Register today!

Visit www.nsba.org for further details.

Members who attend should submit their hours to RIASC to receive RIASC professional development credit.



SAVE THE DATE!

RIASC's 2020 Annual Meeting

Saturday May 2, 2020

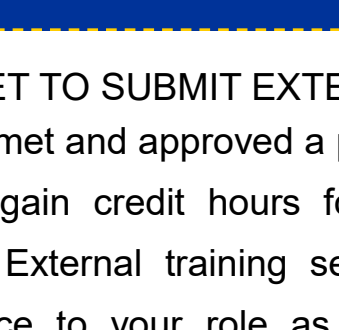
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Warwick, RI

Site Based Management

- *Howard Kay Award presentation to an outstanding school committee member*
- *Leadership Academy Recognition for the following graduates: **Donison Allen, Dawn Aloisio, Gina Bae, Louisa Boatwright, Andrew Bramson, Rebecca Durkin, Robert Gondola, Kristine LaPierre, Sarah Markey, Jean Meo, Anne Musella, and Carly Reich.***
- *Network with your colleagues from across the State*

Attendees will receive six professional development hours.

Would You Like to Serve on the RIASC Board?



An email was sent to all RIASC members seeking their interest in serving on the RIASC Board. Those interested in serving should complete the emailed form and submit it along with your resume by March 1, 2020.

EXTERNAL TRAINING CREDITS

DON'T FORGET TO SUBMIT EXTERNAL CREDITS!

The RIASC Board met and approved a policy for its members allowing them to gain credit hours for attending external training sessions. External training sessions are sessions that have relevance to your role as a school committee member but are not sponsored by RIASC. In order to qualify for external credit, a *Request for Approval* form must be completed and submitted to RIASC or faxed to 272-9834.

The form can be obtained by visiting our website at www.ri-asc.org and linking to the "Professional Development" page.

NEED A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING RESOURCE?

Are you on the contract negotiations team for your district? Do you want to conduct research during the negotiation process? RIASC has you covered.

RIASC hosts the Collective Bargaining Electronic Resource, that includes teacher contract language for all school districts.

We encourage you to visit the site and to make sure your district has submitted their latest electronic contract to RIASC so that we can provide you with the most current information for your teacher contract negotiations.

The site is located at <http://ntlong.com/cber/>

BUYBOARD PURCHASING COLLABORATIVE SAVING DISTRICTS \$\$\$



Do you know if your district takes advantage of the cost savings of BuyBoard? Why not find out?

The BuyBoard National Purchasing Cooperative is a national online purchasing cooperative formed between the National School Boards Association and several state school boards associations to streamline the buying process for schools, municipalities and other public entities.

Developed to comply with state laws which require government entities to make purchases from an approved list of vendors who have gone through a competitive procurement process, BuyBoard gives districts the advantage of leveraging the cooperative's ability to obtain bulk discounts, combined with the ease of online, web-based shopping and ordering. Save time and money with BuyBoard.

Visit www.ri-asc.org

Visit the RI-ASC website at www.ri-asc.org where you will find training videos on essential school committee topics, information on upcoming professional development sessions, past newsletters, data files, photos, and the Rhode Island General Laws regarding the powers and duties of school committee members.