



A monthly update from SAI for distribution at AEA Superintendents' meetings via the SAI Rep. Council superintendent officer.

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- **Link to critical Department of Education due dates** - Check this link for each month's important deadlines: <http://bit.ly/dedeaddlines>.
- **Don't lose sight** - Sometimes in education, when dealing with legislation, we can make the mistake of focusing only on "education bills" and lose track of how other pieces of legislation might affect us. It's kind of like the forest for the trees analogy. Along those lines, educators need to keep close watch on the Iowa legislative work regarding tax reform. ANY reductions in state revenue will have a significant impact on the Legislature's ability to fund schools in the future. Stay informed, stay involved.
- **Annual Conference dates** - Note these future SAI dates when planning your calendar:  
**2018** - Pre-Conference - Tues., Aug. 7; Conference - Wed., Aug. 8 & Thurs., Aug. 9.  
**2019** - Pre-Conference - Tues., July 30; Conference - Wed., July 31 & Thurs., Aug. 1.
- **Recognize colleagues for their leadership** - Take a moment to nominate a deserving individual for a 2019 Administrator of the Year award by May 11. Award categories are Arts Administrator, Assistant Elementary Principal, Assistant Secondary Principal, Central Office Administrator, Elementary Principal, Middle Level Principal, Secondary Principal and Superintendent. Criteria and a nomination form were emailed Feb. 15 to all SAI members.
- **Administrator Support Program 1.0 and 2.0** - Principals are encouraged to take their leadership to the next level with a comprehensive, year-long professional development program. The 1.0 version will focus on building the capacity to develop and facilitate distributed leadership in their school that aligns to the values and TLC purpose within the district. Principals who previously participated in the Administrator Support Program and are looking to continue to grow their leadership may sign up for the newly added 2.0 program. Both options feature 1:1 principal coaching and three half-day workshops with their leadership team. Principals in 1.0 will also attend a June 26-27 Summer Institute. A complete program description will be available in the *SAI Report* and on the SAI website by the end of the day March 1 when registration opens on a first-come, first-served basis. The program is sponsored by the DE, AEAs and SAI.
- **Celebrate!** - This year, retirees, members observing 25/30/35/40 years in administration and 2018 SAI district Administrator of the Year nominees will be recognized at the SAI Spring District meetings. Individuals eligible to be recognized will be asked to sign up with the online district meeting registration, <http://bit.ly/SAIevents>.
- **Professional learning opportunities** - register online and find more information at <http://bit.ly/SAIevents>  
**March**
  - 21 - Prairie Lakes District Meeting
  - 22 - Building a Contagious Culture [Intentional Energetic Presence (IEP) Fundamentals]**April**
  - 4 - Heartland District Meeting
  - 10 - Spring Legal Lab
  - 12 - Grant Wood District Meeting
  - 18 - Finance 101 for Principals
  - 24 - Keystone District Meeting
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  - 25 - Great Prairie District Meeting