

Co-op Report | October 2022

Save the date for 2022 Winter Symposium

KSBA's 2022 Winter Symposium is Dec. 9-10 at the Louisville Marriott Downtown. This conference is the last in-person training event before the end of the calendar year – the deadline for all school board members to complete their annual state-mandated school board training hours.

The Winter Symposium of an election year is the ONLY time KSBA is allowed to bring in newly-elected members before they are sworn in, giving them an opportunity to earn training for the following calendar year. If you expect new members joining your board following November's elections, make plans to invite and register them for this conference. KSBA offers a full track of sessions tailor-made for new members and a jump start on their state-mandated board training. Registration for this event will open later this month. More information can be found here: ksba.org/KSBWinterSymposium.aspx.

KSBA seeking applicants for association's board of directors

KSBA is seeking interested candidates to fill four director-at-large seats on its board of directors for a three-year term to begin February 2023. Members of the KSBA Board of Directors focus their efforts on the shared interests of all Kentucky local public school districts as well as the health and relevancy of the association. Any Kentucky school board member in good standing may place his or her name before KSBA's Selection Committee by submitting the online application by Nov. 15. The committee will make selections based on application information and in-person interviews to be held during KSBA's Winter Symposium, Dec. 9-10 in Louisville.

For a description of KSBA Board of Director responsibilities, expectations and the online application visit: ksba.org/BoardofDirectors.aspx.

KSBA kicks off final leg of 2022 Regional Meetings

Only five dates remain for KSBA's 2022 slate of fall regional meetings. For this year's program, KSBA welcomes our friends from the Office of the State School Security Marshal (OSSSM) to explain their mission and the supports available to Kentucky districts in maintaining compliance with state regulations and best practices. This interactive session will include roundtable discussions facilitated by KSBA and OSSSM staff, focusing on the important role of school board teams.

The remaining meeting dates, regions and locations are:

- Oct. 18 - Eastern Ky. South Region (Paintsville)
- Oct. 20 – Fourth Region (Harned)
- Oct. 24 – Third Region (Morgantown)
- Nov. 1 - Upper Cumberland Region (Williamsburg)
- Nov. 3 - Eastern Ky. North Region (Ashland)

Additional details on the remaining meetings, including times, host sites and contact information are available on KSBA's website: [KSBA.org/RegionalMeetings.aspx](https://ksba.org/RegionalMeetings.aspx).

See the next page for important info about KSBA's 2022-23 awards and student scholarships/ grants.

KSBA kicks off awards nomination season

KSBA is now accepting nominations for this year's slate of association awards, scholarships and student grants. Districts have several opportunities to showcase people and programs that elevate Kentucky public schools. Some notable changes will make this year's nominations faster and more accessible.

The 2022-23 KSBA awards season marks the first time that all nominations will be collected online. Following selections, honorees will be celebrated during a special luncheon during KSBA's 2023 Annual Conference, Feb. 24-26 in Louisville.

"We have recognized award recipients at previous conferences, but we are raising the bar this year to better reflect the excellence of our honorees," KSBA Executive Director Kerri Schelling said.

KSBA's First Degree college scholarship program is expanding from four scholarships to five thanks to a generous gift from the Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative (OVEC). As a result, one of the five scholarships will be awarded to a high school senior from an OVEC member district.

For the second year, KSBA will also provide financial support to high school students pursuing career and technical education (CTE) certifications, but this year's process is more streamlined.

"We learned a lot in our first year that will help us to improve the program moving forward," KSBA Communications Director Josh Shoulta said. "We renamed the scholarships 'CTE student grants,' and each grant will now be worth \$250."

Last year, CTE monies were awarded to students in each of KSBA's 12 regions to cover the cost of certification assessments. This year, however, awards can be applied to any costs associated with their career pathways; assessments, course materials or costs incurred in pursuit of certification. KSBA also removed criteria that immediate family members of CTE student grant nominees have not previously earned postsecondary degrees, expanding eligibility.

KSBA's PEAK Award (Public Education Achieves in Kentucky) returns after a yearlong pause. First established in 1997, PEAK recognizes outstanding district programming that enhances student learning and promotes the positive impact of Kentucky's public schools.

The association also aspires to match the excitement of last year's inaugural School Board Member of the Year Award.

"As this award enters its second year, and as awareness grows, we anticipate the competition to be even stiffer," Schelling said. "That's saying something, given how deserving all of last year's nominees were."

More information about KSBA's award opportunities can be found at the links on the right side of this page.

AWARDS SEASON

2023

nominations are now open for association awards, scholarships and grants.



2023 PEAK AWARD
(Public Education Achieves in Kentucky)

Deadline:
Nov. 15, 2022

Nomination information:
ksba.org/PEAKAward.aspx



2023 FIRST DEGREE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline:
Nov. 30, 2022

Nomination information:
ksbaef.org



2023 CTE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT GRANTS

Deadline:
Nov. 30, 2022

Nomination information:
ksbaef.org



2023 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Deadline:
Dec. 16, 2022

Nomination information:
ksba.org/BMOY.aspx

Visit the web addresses provided for full criteria, online nomination forms and instructions. Questions? Contact KSBA at (800)372-2962 or email josh.shoulta@ksba.org.