

Co-op Report | November 2021

Registration now open for 2022 Winter Symposium

Registration for board members and administrators is now open for the 2021 Winter Symposium to be held Dec. 3-4 at the Louisville Marriott Downtown.

Southern Regional Education Board President and former Kentucky Education Commissioner **Stephen Pruitt** returns home as the keynote speaker for this year's Winter Symposium, headlining a weekend of informative sessions and networking. Pruitt will discuss how local school boards can help navigate the new world we live in on behalf of students with a focus on how Mississippi was able to close reading gaps.



Visit ksba.org/KSBAWinterSymposium.aspx for a full conference schedule, online registration, access to special conference-rate hotel accommodations and more.

2022 KSBA Annual Conference call for proposals, student involvement, banners

While KSBA's 2022 Annual Conference (Feb. 25-27) is still months away, association staff members are hard at work planning another meaningful weekend of training, networking and collegiality. Visit KSBA's 2022 Annual Conference page at ksba.org/AnnualConference.aspx for event information, including:

- Breakout session call for proposals (submission deadline: Nov. 29)
- Student involvement opportunities (application deadline: Nov. 29)
- Student banner artwork guidelines/instruction (submission deadline: Feb. 1)

School board members, districts can now track progress of board training hours

School board members and selected district administrative staff recently received emailed instructions for logging in to new KSBA portal features that allow our members and their districts to track board training hours – saving valuable time and providing greater transparency.

Districts are encouraged to use the new features to make sure your board members have met their annual requirements ahead of the Dec. 31 deadline. Visit ksba.org/PortalResources.aspx for helpful training resources to help you get started tracking hours online, or simply click "Check Training Hours" at the top of KSBA's website. (Please note that the online training hour tracking function currently requires separate login credentials than other portal functions.)

Questions? Contact Laura Cole at laura.cole@ksba.org.









Nominate students for college and CTE industry certification scholarships

KSBA now offers scholarship opportunities for high schoolers pursuing Career and Technical Education (CTE) industry certifications. This new initiative represents an expansion of our First Degree college scholarship program, which for more than a decade has awarded aid to first generation college-bound seniors. The First Degree CTE Scholarship applies to high school students currently enrolled in CTE programs of study. Awards will cover the costs of assessments required for industry certifications. KSBA will award at least 24 CTE scholarships (at least one male and one female student in each of the association's 12 regions) in addition to four \$2,500 college scholarships for current seniors. Student nominations must be put forth by districts in collaboration with the board chair, superintendent and guidance counselor. Visit KSBAEF.org for more information.

Nominations open for KSBA's 2022 School Board Member of the Year

Nominations are open for KSBA's School Board Member of the Year (BMOY) Award. The new award honors exemplary service of association members and celebrates the critical roles school boards play in the advancement of public education in Kentucky. Serving as the association's highest individual honor, winners will be selected based on their contributions in areas such as advocacy, leadership and student achievement. The 2022 winner will be honored on stage at KSBA's 2022 Annual Conference in February. Online nominations must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. (ET) on Friday, Dec. 10. More info on criteria and nominations may be found at ksba.org/BMOY.aspx.



