# MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICIALS



Empowering School Business Leaders Through Education **DECEMBER 2020** 

# **SCHOOL ELECTIONS**

The regular school election day is May 4, 2021. Click <u>here</u> to see the School Election Calendar, which has been updated to reflect the various deadlines. The calendar also shows the forms related to each task.

- Candidates for a trustee election may file a Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy (click <u>here</u> to access the form) between <u>December 10</u>, 2020 and <u>March 25</u>, 2021. The candidate for trustee must be registered to vote at the time the oath/form is filed.
- County superintendents: please log into the County application and complete/verify district classification and board compositions for the 2021 school election season. Click <a href="here">here</a> to see the Quick Reference Guide: County District Classification Collection.
- ➤ The updated <u>School Election Handbook</u> is posted on the OPI website. Click <u>here</u> to see the Elections Resources page, and click <u>here</u> to see the power point presentation for the Elections workshops held in December.

Thank you, Nicole Thuotte at OPI for your work to keep us updated on school election deadlines and issues!

# **Discussion Forum Changes**

All users will get email notifications for new threads/posts.

Users will <u>not receive</u> email notifications for comments on threads/posts.

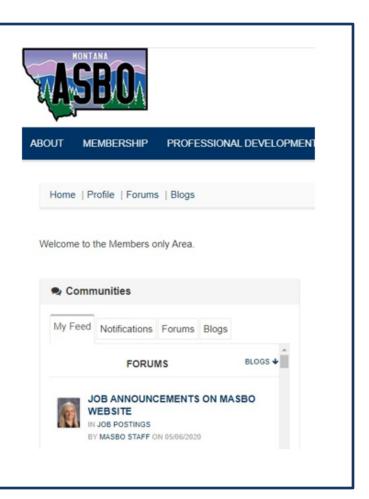
Log in to masbo.com to:

- · Post a new thread
- Comment on a thread/post
- Subscribe to a thread/post so you receive email notifications for comments
- · View your Welcome page

Your Welcome Page includes:

**My Feed-Notifications-Forums-Blogs** tabs in the Communities box (left side of home page)

- My Feed tab: your posts & posts you've commented or subscribed to
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# **MASBO Board of Directors**

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#### ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR MASBO VICE-PRESIDENT

The MASBO Board of Directors is now accepting nominations for Vice-President. This office is elected at large for a 2-year term beginning July 1, 2021 and shall automatically succeed to the office of President, also for a 2-year term. The office of President automatically succeeds to the office of Past-President for another 2-year term. The total time commitment for this level of leadership is 6 years.



Got Questions?
Contact Denise

You may nominate someone for Vice-President by doing one of the following:

- 1. Send an email to Denise at dwilliams@masbo.com, or
- 2. Nominate the person at your spring regional workshop during the MASBO business meeting, or
- 3. Nominate the person at the 2021 MASBO summer conference opening business meeting.

#### REGION DIRECTOR ELECTIONS TO BE HELD AT SPRING REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

Elections for Region Director will be held at the following spring workshops:

#### Region 1

- Noreen Anderson was elected to serve the current term, which ends on June, 30, 2021.
- With Noreen's retirement as of December 31, the MASBO Board of Directors appointed Lacey Porrovecchio to serve for the remainder of the term.
- Need an election for director for the new term: July 1, 2021 June 30, 2024.

#### Region 2

- Belinda was elected to serve the current term, which ends on June 30, 2021.
- Need an election for director for new term: July 1, 2021 June 30, 2024.

#### Region 6

- On October 28, 2020, Stacy Montgomery was appointed to serve the term vacated by Nicole Buerkle until an election can be held at the spring regional workshop.
- Need an election for director for the remainder of the term: July 1, 2021 June 30, 2023.

### Nominations may be made:

- via email to Denise Williams or the applicable Region Director prior to the spring workshop, or
- from the floor during the business portion of the spring workshop.

Note: Please visit with the person you intend to nominate so that they have a chance to consider the time commitment and discuss it with their family, superintendent and/or board before accepting the nomination.

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# To receive your annual rebate

Your annual rate of payment (days from your statement date to your payment posting date) must average <27 days.

# Fastest ways to pay your p-card monthly

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"Pay Now" in Spend Dynamics
Contact Holly Wallace for help with the 'Pay Now' feature or to schedule a webinar
1-815-793-4655 or hwallace@iasbo.org

Payments mailed to BMO post 5-7 days after the check is received.

Check payments need to have your FO# referenced to avoid delays.

Mailing address: BMO Harris Bank N.A, P.O. Box 5732, Carol Stream, IL 60197-5732

Overnight Courier: BMO Harris Bank, Attn: Lockbox #5732, 270 Remington Blvd, Suite B, Bolingbrook, IL 60440

#### SEND YOUR ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT TO BMO

Your master agreement requires you send your annual audit report to the BMO Financial Group. Here's how:

Send an electronic (.pdf) copy to: pcard.reviews@bmo.com

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Fax it to (312)293-5811

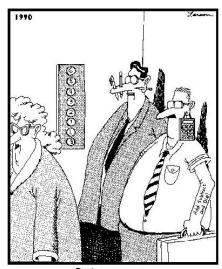
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Mail a hard copy to (overnight or tracked mail is suggested):

**BMO Harris Bank** 

Institutional Markets 5/C Attn: Jeremiah Wallen 111 West Monroe Street

Chicago, IL 60603



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#### **ArcGIS Online Map of Montana**

Click <u>here</u> to see an interactive map of Montana public and non-public school district boundaries (elementary, high school and K-12). You can input an address in the search box in the upper right-hand corner; then zoom out to see the school district for that location.

# MASBO ENDORSES THESE PROGRAMS



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IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES – JANUARY 2021				
December 10, 2020 – March 25, 2021				
Candidates for trustee election on May 5, 2020 may file a Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy	Trustee candidates file for election. A Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy must be filed with the election administrator. No candidate may appear on the ballot unless the candidate files between Thursday, December 10, 2020 and Thursday, March 25, 2021. The candidate for trustee must be registered to vote at the time the Oath is filed.	Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy  School Election Calendar 2021		
JANUARY 10				
File monthly meal claims for NSLP reimbursement	Monthly lunch, breakfast and snack counts are due the 10 <sup>th</sup> of each month. Counts are submitted in the Montana Agreement and Payments System (MAPS) for National School Lunch Program (NSLP) reimbursement.	Montana Agreement and Payment System (MAPS) log in page School Nutrition Programs Checklist Reimbursement rates for FY2021 FY2021 School Nutrition Payments		
OPI pays grant cash requests	OPI pays grant cash requests submitted by the 25 <sup>th</sup> of the previous month.	E-Grants System Log in to your district's account, or click on Public Access, then Vendor Payee Details		
JANUARY 15				
WCRRP (workers comp) and MTSUIP (unemployment insurance) reports due	If your district is a member of WCRRP, the workers comp report for 4th quarter payroll (October, November, December) is due <b>January 25</b> . Due date for other carriers is October 15.  If your district is a member of MTSUIP, the unemployment insurance report for 4th quarter payroll is due.	http://www.msgia.org/home  http://www.mtsuip.org/		
JANUARY 25				
Grant cash request due to OPI	Grant cash request due to OPI	OPI State and Federal Grants Handbook		
JANUARY 26				
OPI makes K-12 BASE aid payments	Direct State Aid Quality Educator Component At Risk Student Component Indian Education for All Student Achievement Gap Data for Achievement (SPED) State Special Education Payments	FY2021 Payment Schedule (scroll to bottom of page		

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JANUARY 31				
Form 941 for Quarter 4 payroll is due.	Form 941 payroll report for Quarter 4 (October, November, December) is due.	Form 941 (form) Form 941 (instructions)		
Annual tax forms due	2020 Form W-2 Wage & Tax Statement to employees by February 1, 2021  Federal copies of 2020 Form W-2 (with Form W-3 transmittal) are due to the Social Security Administration by February 1, 2021 whether you are filing paper forms or electronically.  2020 Form 1099-NEC Non-Employee Compensation to recipients and to the IRS (with Form 1096 transmittal) by February 1, 2021.  2020 Form 1099-MISC Miscellaneous Income to recipients by February 1, 2021.  Federal copies of 2020 Form 1099-MISC (with Form 1096 transmittal) are due to the IRS by March 1, 2021 if you file on paper and by March 31, 2021 if you file electronically.	2020 General Instructions for Forms W-2 and W-3  Employer W-2 Filing Instructions & Information  About Form 1099-NEC, Nonemployee Compensation  About Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income  Instructions for Forms 1099-MISC and 1099-NEC  General Instructions for Certain Information Returns		
Last day to file state form MW-3 and copies of 2020 Form W-2 and Form 1099 with state withholding	On or before January 31 of each year, you are required to file the following with the Montana Department of Revenue:  • Montana Annual Wage Withholding Tax Reconciliation form (MW-3) supporting the withholding reported on the Forms W-2 and 1099.  • Wage and Tax statement (W-2) for each employee Montana wages were paid to, with or without withholding.  • Forms 1099 with Montana state withholding.	Montana Department of Revenue Filing Withholding Returns webpage  Form MW-3  Montana Withholding Tax Guide (see page 5 for annual filing requirements)		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Bus Inspections must be completed	Use form TR-13 Bus Inspection for inspections of yellow school buses.  Use form TR-13A Bus Inspection for inspections of Type E buses.  The Highway Patrol must inspect the buses prior to January 31.	MCA, 20-10-101(4)(a)(i) ARM 10.7.110 Regulations & Guidelines for Pupil Transportation Reporting (see page 4)		

# **IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES – JANUARY 2021**

#### **FEBRUARY 1**

2022 Impact Aid applications are due at 9:59 MST

Applications must be submitted to the U.S. Department of Education (DOE) by the deadline to avoid a reduction in payments generated from the FY 2022 application. Late applications (applications received up to 60 days after the deadline) will result in payment reductions of 10 percent. The DOE will not accept applications received after the 60-day late window (April 1, 2021). Districts waiting for additional information as of the application deadline should go ahead and submit their applications. Submitted applications may be amended through September 30, 2021.

Watch for more information from the Office of Public Instruction:

- Impact Aid Application Information
- Impact Aid Application Data (click on link to 2022 Preliminary Data Sheets)

# Spring Enrollment Count Date

The official count day for the 2021 Spring Enrollment & Aggregate Hours Collection begins **Monday, February 1**. Districts will report spring count date aggregate hours for all students enrolled on 2/1/2020, or the first school day that follows the count date if the official count date is not a school day.

After verifying student enrollment and aggregate hours in AIM, submit the data to MAEFAIRS. *MAEFAIRS Student Count for ANB must be submitted no later than Friday, February 5, 2021.* 

Extenuating circumstances for students who will be gone 10 days prior to the count date, but which would support a variance *should be submitted to the OPI prior to the official enrollment count date* for consideration of inclusion of the student in the enrollment count for ANB purposes beyond the 10th day of absence.

A.R.M. 10.20.102
OPI Official Email
ANB Memo
Reporting Instructions

AIM User Guide:
AIM & MAEFAIRS Verification

<u>Step-by-Step Student Count for ANB</u> Instructions

A.R.M. 10.20.102(10)



# HAPPY NEW YEAR

Let your unique awesomeness and positive energy inspire confidence in others.

~ Anonymous

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# RESOLUTION CALENDAR

Use this year long calendar to help improve your diet and lifestyle. Instead of resolving to "eat better and lose weight" set one resolution for each month. This can improve your chance that your resolutions are kept and they actually turn into new and healthy lifestyle habits.



#### **JANUARY**

Start with a plan that is gradual, high in fiber, and high in nutrients.



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Try to exercise for at least 2.5 hours every week; start slowly, and gradually increase your distance or intensity.



#### **FEBRUARY**

Reduce your intake of saturated fat. Choose low-fat or nonfat dairy options.



#### **AUGUST**

Pack a brown-bag lunch,making sure your lunch is healthful and balanced. For tips, check out www.choosemyplate.gov



#### MARCH

Celebrate Nutrition Month! Choose fruits and veggies over candies, cakes, and fried foods.



#### **SEPTEMBER**

Eat less saturated fat, cholesterol, and trans fat. Instead, work on increasing your fiber intake.



#### **APRIL**

Fill half your plate with fruits and vegetables at each meal.



#### **OCTOBER**

Eat at least one meatless meal each week. Plan menus that include pasta dishes, bean dishes, whole grain breads, and a variety of fruits and vegetables.



#### MAY

Limit your intake of sodium. Choose "low salt" or "no salt added" versions of foods such as crackers, nuts, canned vegetables, soups, and soy sauce.



#### **NOVEMBER**

As the holiday season approaches, begin practicing low-fat cooking techniques. Modify your favorite recipes in order to lower the fat and calorie content.



#### JUNE

Celebrate Fruit and Vegetable Month with extra fruits and vegetables.



#### **DECEMBER**

The holiday season is upon you. Try to maintain your weight by sticking to a consistent exercise schedule and limiting high calorie foods.

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JOURNAL so you look back over the year, and the healthy new habits you have developed for years to come.