



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

- **Link to critical Department of Education due dates** - Check this link any time for each month's important deadlines: <http://bit.ly/dedeadlines>.
- **Local advocacy** - With the legislative session just two months away, continue to reach out to your local legislators to educate and inform them about educational issues. The SAI platform/priorities will be finalized in November and distributed for your use and reference. Please don't hesitate to contact SAI for support in lobbying legislators both prior to and during the 2018 session. It's also a good time to begin planning a visit or visits to the Capitol during the session. Bring along parents, board members and community leaders to strengthen efforts and remind legislators of the commitment and importance Iowans place on public schools!
- **Safe Schools** - The Iowa School Safety Alliance maintains a website with a number of resources free for districts' use, ranging from overall preparation to classroom emergency procedures. Access these materials at iowaschoolsafety.org/resources.html.
- **Come see us at the IASB Convention** - If you're at the IASB event Nov. 15 and 16, stop by to visit with SAI staffers in booth 421. Be sure to enter our drawing and pick up the resources we'll have on hand.
- **New Superintendents' Breakfast** - IASB and SAI are co-sponsoring a breakfast for new superintendents and their board presidents at 7 a.m. Nov. 16 in Room 401 during the IASB convention. We look forward to checking in with first-year district leaders at this event!
- **District Meetings** – Six SAI Fall District Meetings will be held yet this month. Join your colleagues in November to
 - receive information from SAI officers and staff;
 - provide feedback that will assist SAI in serving and representing you; and
 - network and learn.Sign up for the date and location that works for you at <http://bit.ly/SAIevents>
- **Professional Learning Opportunities** - register online and find more information at <http://bit.ly/SAIevents>
 - November**
 - 1 - Prairie Lakes District Meeting
 - 1 - Central Rivers District Meeting
 - 1 - Mississippi Bend District Meeting
 - 2-3 - Executive Leaders
 - 6 - Fall Legal Lab (repeat session) - FULL
 - 7 - Keystone District Meeting
 - 8 - Heartland District Meeting
 - 9 - Green Hills District Meeting
 - 14 - Effective Facilitation for Productive Professional Learning and Meetings
 - December**
 - 5 - Measuring and Building the Skills That Matter Most