



IASB Update for AEA Superintendent Meetings, April 2019

Try Our Tool of the Month—School Board Recognition Month Toolkit

May is School Board Recognition Month in Iowa, and this year's theme is 'Superheroes for Public Education'. IASB sponsors School Board Recognition Month each May to honor the volunteer board members who serve on Iowa's 330 local school boards, nine area education agency boards and 15 community college boards.

The [SBRM toolkit](#) includes everything you need, such as sample documents, social media tools, tips for celebrating and shareable graphics to create awareness and greater appreciation for the tremendous impact school board members have on their students, schools and communities.

For questions, contact Tammy Votava at tvotava@ia-sb.org.

Attend IASB's 2019 PLLI Conference

Registration is now open for IASB's [2019 Policy Leadership & Legal Issues Conference](#), happening on April 18! Aptly titled "Effective Board Governance Helps Every Student Succeed," the conference provides the opportunity to learn from key practitioners on Iowa's open meetings law, financial oversight and ESSA-related topics, allowing for peer discussions and exciting breakout sessions.

We are pleased to announce that every conference attendee will receive [two professionally printed publications](#), a guide and accompanying workbook, from the National School Boards Association (NSBA) to help guide discussions to improve student and school performance.

For questions, contact Marte Brightman at mbrightman@ia-sb.org.

Honor Dedication to Your District with Service Recognition Awards

Spring is the perfect time to honor the dedicated people working hard to support your district and your students.

IASB currently offers [four awards](#) to help you recognize and celebrate individuals for their outstanding service, including the brand new [Board President's Engraved Gavel](#) and [Friend of Iowa Public Education Plaque!](#)

For questions, contact Theresa Mahedy at receptionist@ia-sb.org.

Submit Your Tentative Agreement Numbers

FY 2020 Settlement Cumulative Totals Report—28 districts reporting as of 4/1/2019 for an average total package of 2.47 percent.

As soon as you finish negotiations with your teachers for the FY 2020 school year, please visit www.ia-sb.org/tentativeagreements, download the form, input your data and email the completed form to both Marte Brightman at mbrightman@ia-sb.org and Jon Studer at jstuder@isea.org.

Please send us your information ASAP to ensure we have the most accurate and up-to-date information for the summary report.

For questions, contact Eric Howard at ehoward@ia-sb.org.

Submit Proposals for Upcoming Convention Presentations and Student Talent

Want to be a part of IASB's [74th Annual Convention](#)? Beginning April 3, you can submit student talent proposals, as well as prospective education sessions to be presented on Thursday, Nov. 21. Presentation proposals are due by May 28; student talent submissions are due by June 12. To apply, visit www.ia-sb.org/convention.

For questions, contact Lou Ann Gvist at lgvist@ia-sb.org.

Learn the Latest in IASB's March *BoardConnect*

March's issue of *BoardConnect* features an article about [dual language programs emerging at West Liberty and Denison](#); an interview with [Deborah Reed](#), director of the Iowa Reading Research Center; several new IASB resources and #BoardTips; another FAQ answered from an IASB staff expert; and more.

If you didn't receive the *BoardConnect* email, contact Tammy Votava at tvotava@ia-sb.org.

Upcoming Events

April 9: [Webinar: Hot Topics Conversation Part 2: Financial Oversight—The Board President's Role](#)

April 18: [Policy Leadership & Legal Issues Conference](#), The Meadows Events & Conference Center, Altoona

April 23–May 8: [Safety Group Risk Management Workshops](#), four locations across the state

April 24: [Webinar: Board Unity Begins with TRUST](#)

For a complete listing, visit www.ia-sb.org/schoolboardu or www.ia-sb.org/digitalcampus (for webinar schedule).