



A Letter from ASBCS

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Important Dates

- **December 13, 2019:** Final deadline to submit Expansion Requests for February Board Meeting
- **December 9, 2019:** Next Regular Board Meeting. (Continues December 10, 2019 if necessary)

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Military Student Identifier

The Military Student Identifier (“MSI”) is a recently established code by which families indicate upon enrollment at a school that their student has at least one parent who is a member of the Armed Forces on active duty.

The Every Student Succeeds Act (“ESSA”) recognizes military-connected students as a distinct subgroup, and public schools must include the military student identifier question in their enrollment paperwork. **Therefore, all charter schools are required to add the MSI question to the enrollment paperwork for the upcoming school year.**

A reminder of this change will be in the ASBCS monthly newsletter through the end of Fiscal Year 2020. More information regarding the MSI can be found [here](#).

Student Vaping Policies

This past month, Board staff attended a presentation from the Arizona Attorney General’s Tobacco Enforcement Unit regarding the increase in vape product usage by students in grades 5 through 12.

If your school is interested in learning more, the Tobacco Enforcement Unit is available for presentations at your school. Schedule a presentation by contacting Erika Mansur at 602-542-7719 or Erika.Mansur@azag.gov.

Annual Winter Conference

The Arizona Department of Administration’s Annual Winter Conference is being held next week, December 5 and 6 at the Sheraton Crescent Hotel in Phoenix. Registration is free and more information can be found on the next page.

Please contact Davidson Riggs at Davidson.Riggs@azed.gov with any questions.



Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) Technical Assistance (TA) Center

TRAININGS BY REQUEST

Addressing and Preventing Adult Sexual Misconduct Train-the-Educator (TtE)

A learning opportunity for schools and school districts on creating comprehensive policies and procedures for preventing and addressing adult sexual misconduct in schools.

The **REMS TA Center**, in partnership with the **U.S. Department of Education's Office of Safe and Supportive Schools**, is pleased to offer a day-long training on creating policies and procedures for preventing and addressing adult sexual misconduct (ASM) in schools. **The minimum number of participants for this training is 25, and the maximum number of participants is 100.**

TRAINING DESCRIPTION

While schools are the safest place for children, the threat of ASM in the school setting by educators, administrators, staff members, volunteers, or other members of the school community against a student is present. In order to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from ASM and suspected incidents of ASM, schools should create a [comprehensive school emergency operations plan \(EOP\)](#) that contains an ASM Annex. This training is intended to help prepare schools and school districts to create comprehensive policies and procedures within their EOPs for preventing and addressing ASM in schools.

The training curriculum was developed using the most recent research and trends in ASM, published in [A Training Guide of Administrators and Educators on Addressing Adult Sexual Misconduct in the School Setting](#). In order to prevent incidents or allegations of sexual misconduct, it is important for all school personnel to demonstrate appropriate behavior, and to recognize questionable behavior before an incident occurs.

Training Objectives

The aim of this training is to help participants be able to:

- Develop a greater understanding of ASM in schools;
- Understand ASM's complexities;
- Know how to develop more comprehensive policies and procedures for preventing and addressing ASM in schools and school districts; and
- Better protect students.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The intended audiences for this training are those with a role in creating policies and procedures for preventing and addressing ASM in schools, including, but not limited to:

- School district and school administrators, human resource directors, legal counsel representatives, educators, support staff, and members of an EOP planning team.

TRAINING DETAILS

When: Thursday, December 5, 2019
Time: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm (Registration begins at 8:00 am)
Where: Sheraton Phoenix Crescent
2620 W. Dunlap Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85021
Cost: NO CHARGE

Register for this training session online at:

<http://www.remstacenter.org/TBR/TrainingRegistration.aspx?trainingsid=3326>

Registration for this event closes on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 5:00 pm Eastern Standard Time.