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ASBA's website redesigned with new look, plus more features and information

ASBA's website (www.azsba.org) re-launched last week with a new look and feel that puts core services, and the latest news and events, at center stage. Eye-catching images at the top of the homepage lead visitors to new content, information on timely topics, and registration for upcoming events. The site's main content is grouped and easily accessible from the home page via three highly-visible portals: Learning Center, Advocacy and Policy Services. Embedded throughout the site are live feeds from ASBA's Facebook and Twitter pages. The new site was designed to provide enhanced levels of service, access and information to members and the public.

- [Take a virtual video tour of the new website](#)
- [Visit the new azsba.org](http://www.azsba.org)

Summer Leadership Institute registration opens today

Join us July 25-27 in Flagstaff to explore a host of leadership and governance issues in a relaxed, retreat-like setting. Highlights include a keynote address on "The Arizona We Want" by Dr. Lattie Coor, chairman and CEO of the Center for the Future of Arizona; a panel discussion with some of our state's most influential K-12 policy leaders; and leadership lessons from our best and brightest in teaching and leading. In addition to numerous general sessions, attendees can choose from nine breakout sessions, all designed to build knowledgeable, effective and inspired governance teams. Be sure to join us at 4 p.m. on Thursday, July 25, for Early Bird Best Practice "Mini-Sessions" followed by a welcome reception with light hors d'oeuvres and no host bar. Summer Leadership Institute will culminate with a general session and breakout sessions focused on "Building the Future Today" and the increasingly important role of STEM – science, technology, engineering and math – in preparing students for success in college, career and life. Conference/hotel info: [click here](#).

New ASBA Journal shines spotlight on STEM education

In the Spring 2013 edition of the *ASBA Journal*, which hits mailboxes next week, we look at why and how Arizona schools are integrating more learning opportunities in STEM – science, technology, engineering and math – into the school day. For a sneak peek at how Arizona public schools are "Building the Future Today" through STEM, [view our slideshow](#) and see students of all ages from

around the state immersed in learning about everything from bioscience and high-tech manufacturing to alternative energy and sustainability.

Also included in the new issue: An overview of ASBA's new political agenda process, insights into how we lobby, a thought-provoking message from ASBA President Randy Schiller on meeting the needs of Arizona's increasingly diverse school-age population, and commentary from Dr. Tim Ogle, ASBA's executive director, on the board's essential role in school reform efforts.

The issue will be posted online at www.azsba.org on Monday.

Online RFPs now being accepted for 2013 ASBA-ASA Annual Conference

We're looking for your best and brightest breakout session ideas for our upcoming ASBA / ASA "Working Together For Success" Annual Conference (Dec. 11-13) in Phoenix. Directions for completing the [online request for presentations \(RFP\)](#) are available [here](#). Sessions are geared toward those that exemplify "Working Together for Success" in improving student achievement, maintaining effective board practices, improving district operations, innovating for success or collaborating with stakeholders. Submission deadline is June 30.

- [Online application](#)

Deadline for input to ASBA's 2014 Political Agenda is May 24

A new process is in place this year and ASBA member input to next year's political agenda is due next Friday. Have questions? [View an overview](#) of the new political agenda process.

Last chance to reserve seats for School Board Appreciation Night with the DBacks

June 1 is the deadline for reservations and monies in to ASBA for a great night of food, fun and baseball at Chase Field. Prior to the game on Friday, June 21, ASBA's 2012 All-Arizona School Board Award and Lou Ella Kleinz Award of Excellence recipients will be honored on the field. Your \$35 ticket is in Section 222 and includes all-you-can-eat hotdogs, chips, popcorn, peanuts, soda and water. Hosted by the Hispanic-Native American Indian Caucus, the proceeds of this event will benefit the caucus scholarship fund. To reserve your tickets, contact Shirley Simpson at 602.254.1100 or via email at ssimpson@azsba.org. More info: [School Board Appreciation Night](#).

ASBA Executive Searches

None open at this time.

Looking for an interim superintendent? ASBA can help. We maintain a database of people interested in serving as interim superintendents. We will post your requirements and send to this list, then provide you with applications from those individuals interested in your position. There is no charge for this service. For assistance in this area, contact Steve Highlen, ASBA Executive Search Consultant, at shighlen@azsba.org.

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