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SEPTEMBER 2013

- 23 Maricopa County Meeting – Washington ESD, Glendale: [Register](#)
- 24 Pinal County Meeting – Maricopa USD, Maricopa: [Register](#)
- 30 ASBA WEBINAR – Campaigning Do's and Don'ts

OCTOBER 2013

- 1 Cochise County Meeting*- Douglas USD, Douglas: [Register](#)
- 2 Santa Cruz County Meeting* – Nogales USD, Nogales: [Register](#)
- 3 Pima County Meeting* – Vail USD, Vail: [Register](#)
- 9 Graham County Meeting* – Pima USD, Pima: [Register](#)
- 9 Greenlee County Meeting* – Pima USD, Pima: [Register](#)
- 10 Gila County Meeting – San Carlos USD, San Carlos: [Register](#)
- 14 Columbus Day – ASBA Office Closed
- 15 Apache County Meeting* – Sanders USD, Douglas: [Register](#)
- 16 Navajo County Meeting* – Winslow USD, Winslow: [Register](#)
- 18 DEADLINE Hotel Reservations for 2013 Legislative Workshop
- 17 Coconino County Meeting – CAVIAT at Grand Canyon Lodge, Flagstaff: [Register](#)
- 22 Mohave County Meeting* – Lake Havasu USD, Lake Havasu: [Register](#)
- 23 La Paz County Meeting – Salome ESD, Salome: [Register](#)
- 24 Yuma County Meeting* – Yuma UHSD, Yuma: [Register](#)
- 28 Yavapai County Meeting – Ash Fork Joint USD, Ash Fork: [Register](#)

*Elections for County Director will be held in these counties. To run for county director: [Nomination form](#)

Yavapai county meeting date changed to Oct. 28

Due to a number of conflicts, the date for the Yavapai county workshop has been moved to Monday, Oct. 28. Current registrants will be receiving an email that they will need to register again to confirm that they can attend on the new date. To sign up for the new meeting: [County meetings](#)

ASBA webinar to focus on campaigning do's and don'ts

With bond and override measures on ballots in communities across Arizona this fall, questions abound as to what public school leaders may - and may not - do related to these campaigns. ASBA will host a webinar on Monday, Sept. 30, from 11 a.m. to noon that will cover the most essential campaigning and advocacy do's and don'ts. Chris Thomas, ASBA's general counsel and director of legal and policy services, will lead the webinar. [Register now](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. Registrants are encouraged to submit questions in advance by emailing esanchez@azsba.org. A limited number of additional questions may be answered during this online event.

Events to focus on how public school leaders can support new academic standards

Please join the Arizona School Boards Association and Stand for Children Arizona to learn more about how Arizona is implementing its new academic standards and how you can support that process as a school board member. You will walk away with resources to help you communicate these changes with your community and learn from what other leaders are doing across the state.

Monday, Sept. 30, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Vista Recreation Center, 8866-A W. Thunderbird Road, Peoria (inside the Rio Vista Community Park)

[Register](#)

Monday, Oct. 7, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Flowing Wells High School (cafeteria), 3725 N. Flowing Wells Road, Tucson

[Register](#)

ASBA's county meetings start next week; register now

This is the perfect opportunity to not only network with your fellow county board members, but also interact with ASBA officers and staff who will be attending the meetings. Each meeting will have at least one member of ASBA's policy services presenting on *The Role of Board Policy in School Governance*. Registration is \$20 per person and should be completed [online](#).

2013 Legislative Workshop scheduled for Nov. 8 at Phoenix Marriott Tempe at the Buttes

Don't miss this once-a-year opportunity to preview the upcoming legislative session and gets an in-depth look at issues affecting current public education policies. Registration for members is \$140 per person and includes all online conference materials, continental breakfast and lunch. Deadline to register without penalty is Friday, Nov. 1. Hotel room deadline is Friday, Oct. 18, and ASBA has secured group rate rooms at the hotel for \$139 single/double. Be sure to request the conference rate.

[Legislative Workshop information/registration](#)

[Hotel reservations](#)

ADE letter addresses literature list; stresses importance of local decision-making

At the request of the Arizona Department of Education (ADE), ASBA is sharing a letter from Superintendent of Public Instruction John Huppenthal about a resource provided by ADE for educators who are implementing Arizona's more rigorous English-language arts standards. A document attached to the letter provides additional guidance concerning local curriculum decisions and stresses that "the responsibility and authority to develop a local curriculum resides with the local education agency and the local school board." [Read the letter and attachment](#)

Searching for nation's top youth volunteers

Prudential's Spirit of Community Awards has honored more than 100,000 middle and high school students across the country for the meaningful contributions they have made to their communities. The National School Boards Association, along with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, are proud supporters of this program and are encouraging young volunteers in grades 5 to 12 to apply online for local, state and national recognition. The deadline for submission is Nov. 12.

[Program information](#)

[Apply online](#)

Excellence in Civic Engagement Schools honored by ADE

This Arizona Department of Education award was designed to recognize the important role played by schools in ensuring that students are informed and engaged citizens.

The following district schools were recognized:

- Chandler USD: Hamilton High School (School of Merit)
- Deer Valley USD: Boulder Creek High School (School of Merit)
- Glendale UHSD: Apollo High School (School of Distinction)

- Globe USD: Globe High School (School of Merit)
- Higley USD: Higley High School (School of Merit)
- Mesa USD: Mountain View High School (School of Merit); Dobson High School (School of Distinction); Mesa High School (School of Distinction); Red Mountain High School (School of Distinction); Skyline High School (School of Distinction); Westwood High School (School of Distinction)
- Phoenix UHSD: South Mountain High School (School of Merit)
- Tanque Verde USD: Tanque Verde High School (School of Distinction)
- Vail USD: Cienega High School (School of Merit); Senita Valley Elementary School (School of Distinction)

Several charter schools were also honored:

- Arizona School for the Arts (School of Distinction)
- Carden of Tucson Charter School (School of Distinction)
- Challenge Charter School (School of Distinction)
- Imagine Preparatory (School of Merit)

For more information: [Arizona Civic Engagement Schools](#).

ASBA Executive Searches

Opening soon:

- Superintendent, Bowie USD

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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