

Minnesota Association of  
Secondary School Principals

# 2008 Winter Workshop



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**January 30 - February 1, 2008**

Marriott City Center Hotel  
30 South Seventh Street • Minneapolis, MN 55402  
612-349-4000

# MASSP REGISTRATION

## 2008 Winter Workshop and Pre-Workshop Seminars

Please duplicate this form for each person registering. Return with your payment, or fax by January 15, 2008

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY. CHECK ALL APPROPRIATE BOXES.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address (to confirm your registration): \_\_\_\_\_

Request vegetarian meal       Retired MASSP member (meals only - registration is complimentary) — call (651) 999-7333

**Full 2008 Winter Workshop — Wednesday-Friday, January 30 - February 1, 2008**

Complete this section if you want to register for the entire workshop.  
Registration: January 30, from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registration Fee .....\$325 member / \$400 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Winter Workshop 1/2 Day Sessions**

Complete this section if you prefer to register for specific 1/2 day workshop sessions.  
1/2 day sessions include one meal.

Wednesday 6:00 P.M. ....\$135 member / \$160 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday 9:00 A.M. ....\$135 member / \$160 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday 12:00 P.M. ....\$135 member / \$160 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Friday 8:30 A.M. ....\$135 member / \$160 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Pre-Winter Workshop One-Day Seminars — Wednesday, Jan 30, 2008**

Complete this section if you want to register for a pre-workshop seminar.  
Registration: A.M. sessions at 8:00 — P.M. session at 11:00. Lunch 11:45 (included in fee).

“Leadership and Poverty” .....\$125 member / \$150 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
8:30 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

“Leading From the Middle: .....\$125 member / \$150 non member ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
An Overview of Breaking Ranks in the Middle”  
8:30 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

“Making the Mathematics Curriculum Count” .....\$125 member / \$150 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
8:30 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

“Negotiations” .....\$125 member / \$150 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
8:30 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

“Courageous, Collaborative Leadership” .....\$125 member / \$150 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
12:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

“School Law Seminar” .....\$125 member / \$150 non-member .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
12:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

TOTAL .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**CANCELLATIONS RECEIVED AFTER JANUARY 15 will be charged \$25.00 plus any meal costs.**  
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# MASSP

**January 29 – February 1, 2008**  
 Please fax completed form to hotel @ (612) 349-5780 or  
 E-mail to cindy.tape@marriott.com  
**One form per room only**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Time \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Time \_\_\_\_\_

**Check-In Time: 3:00 p.m.**  
**Check-Out Time: 12:00 p.m.**

All requests for reservations must be received by January 15, 2008.  
 Special Group Rates and accommodations are based on availability.  
 Sharing Room With \_\_\_\_\_  
 All rooms are subject to applicable taxes.

Rate: \$139.00 sgl, \$1399.00 dbl, \$139.00 triple, \$139.00 quad  
 Total number of occupants:  1  2  3  4  5  
 Room / Bed type:  King  Two Double Beds  
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Please include first night's deposit to guarantee your reservation.  
 Alternatively, the listed credit cards will also guarantee your reservation.

In the event that a guaranteed reservation is not cancelled prior to 6:00 p.m. on your arrival date,  
 one night's room and tax will be deducted from your deposit or billed through your credit card.

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**NOTE: FREE PARKING** will be provided only to Winter Workshop participants who are registered guests at the **Marriott City Center Hotel.**

# MASSP Pre-Winter Workshop Seminars

## Morning Sessions

### Leadership and Poverty (Half-day A.M. Session) Presenter: Bill Sommers

The economic gap for residents of the United States continues to widen. Changes in the world will continue to impact our country. What does the economic gap and increased poverty mean for schools and our leadership? What are some future considerations that will help plan for our students and communities? How will we manage and lead now and in the future? We will discuss future implications and provide some specific strategies to help lead our schools.

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### Leading from the Middle An Overview of Breaking Ranks in the Middle (Half-day A.M. Session) Presenters: Terry Wolfson and Alice Woog

**Breaking Ranks in the Middle (BRIM)** is NASSP's middle level companion document to **Breaking Ranks II**. Join MASSP's BRIM trainers, Terry Wolfson and Alice Woog, for an interactive morning overview of the BRIM Training Module. Learn about the three core areas for middle school improvement:

- Collaborative Leadership and Personal Learning Communities
- Personalizing Your School Environment
- Making Learning Personal: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment

In addition, information will be provided on the possibility of becoming a MASSP division BRIM trainer for two-day workshops for middle level principals and teacher leaders.

### Making the Mathematics Curriculum Count (Half-Day A.M. Session) Presenters: Judith Richardson

Pressure is mounting for principals to improve school-wide achievement, especially in the areas of literacy and mathematics. While a great deal of guidance exists on improving school wide literacy, there is remarkably little guidance for principals who are struggling to improve their students' mathematics achievement.

Enter Making the Mathematics Curriculum Count: A Guide for Middle and High School Principals. This handbook released by NASSP in September 2007 makes a case for the urgency of mathematical literacy across the curriculum—or numeracy—and walks principals through the steps of getting buy-in from various stakeholders, creating the numeracy team, formulating the Numeracy Improvement Plan, identifying the data to collect and analyzing the data, implementing the plan, and monitoring the plan's progress.

Making the Mathematics Curriculum Count contains a series of instruments principals can use and easily employ in their efforts to improve school wide mathematics proficiency.

### Negotiations (Half-Day A.M. Session) Presenter: Roger Aronson

This workshop will deal with a broad range of negotiation issues including the ranges of salary packages; new benefits; severance/health insurance packages; new limits on 403B contributions and other issues. What about constructive receipt and age discrimination matters? Are you prepared for a possible unrequested leave of absence? Will your retirement health benefits survive? Will there be any money left? What is structural balance anyway and what does it mean to you? How can you not come to this workshop? See you there.

## Afternoon Sessions

### Courageous, Collaborative Leadership (Half-Day P.M. Session) Presenter: Patti Kinney

NASSP Principal of the NASSP National Center for Middle Level Leadership

As principals, we all aspire to be labeled a courageous, collaborative leader. But what skills are necessary for one to become such a leader? Using the framework of leadership for curriculum, instruction, and assessment; leadership for developing a school culture; and leadership for developing and nurturing leaders, this session will examine the indicators and the practices that help administrators develop exemplary leadership skills.

### School Law Seminar (Half-Day P.M. Session) Presenter: Roger Aronson

#### Update on Student Discipline

Bong Hits 4 Jesus  
MySpace – Cyberspace  
Off Campus Behavior  
E-Mail Notices  
Special Education Wrinkles  
New MSHSL Rule

#### Data Practices and the School Principal

General Rules  
Educational Data  
Directory Information  
Personnel Data  
Disclosures  
Medical Information  
Penalties

#### Tennessee Warning Issue

Statute and Background  
Handbook Solution  
Is a Written Notice Advisable or Necessary  
Sample Tennessee Warnings  
The Verbal Tennessee Warning

#### Teacher Tenure Act

Probationary Teachers  
Unrequested Leave  
Dropping a License  
Seniority Lists

#### Home Schools & Random Searches

Home Schools  
Random Searches  
Attendance Excuses

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**Preliminary Program Outline**

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**Wednesday, January 30, 2008**

**2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Registration – Atrium - 4th Floor**

**4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Division Presidents Meeting**

**6:00 p.m. First General Session – Banquet**

**Executive Director’s Report:** Joann Knuth, Executive Director, MASSP

**Address:** *“Preparing Students for 2020 – Are You Ready??”*

William Sommers, Program Associate  
Southwest Educational Development Laboratory

**Address:** *“Reflections”*

Paul Peterson, Principal, St. Peter High School  
Minnesota High School Principal-of-the-Year

Nancy Weinand, Principal, John Glenn Middle School  
Minnesota Middle Level Principal-of-the-Year

**Thursday, January 31, 2008**

**7:30 a.m. Exhibits Open — Ballrooms - 3 & 4 - 4th Floor**

**8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Registration Continues - Atrium - 4th Floor**

**9:00 - 10:15 a.m. Second General Session**

**Address:** *“Intelligent Redesign of the American High School”*

Governor Bob Wise, President, Alliance for Excellent Education

**10:45 - 12:25 a.m. Concurrent Sessions**

- A) Sound Practice vs Legislative Policy  
Governor Bob Wise
- B) Developing a National Model School Around the Premise - Something for Everyone!!  
Bruce Locklear
- C) Ask the Legislators  
Roger Aronson and Legislators
- D) Response to Intervention  
Dave Ertl
- E) Global Engineering and the Future – Where Does Stem Fit In?  
Ron Johnson and Mark Fischer
- F) Numeracy and Assessment  
Judith Richardson
- G) Promoting a Positive Environment: Positive Recognition for Students and Staff  
Patti Kinney
- H) Preparing for Retirement  
Rich McLeod

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**12:30 p.m.      Third General Session - Luncheon**

**Address:** *“The Bridge to Higher Learning – Making the Vision Real”*

Mary Mackbee  
Pat Schmidt  
Don Yrjo

**2:00 - 4:05 p.m.    Concurrent Sessions**

- A) Rural Education Leadership Program  
    Bruce Miles
  
- B) Education in China: Principal's Perspective  
    Connie Nicholson
  
- C) 360 Program  
    Karen White
  
- D) Rigor and Relevance  
    Angie Judd  
    Sally Wherry
  
- E) Middle Level Advocacy: No Longer an Option  
    Patti Kinney
  
- F) Six Year Plans - What Are They and How to Implement  
    Colleen Wambach
  
- G) Developing a Literacy Program  
    Bonnie Houck
  
- H) Ninth Grade Academy: Everyone, Everyday . . . A Success!  
    Donald Johnson

**4:30 -6:00 p.m. Social: Member Reception**

**Friday, February 1, 2008**

**8:30 - 9:00 a.m.    Fourth General Session / Breakfast**

**9:00 a.m.**      **Address:** “State of Education in Minnesota”  
                    Margaret Kelliher (Invited)  
                    Minnesota Speaker of the House

**MASSP Secretary and Coordinator Candidates**

**Address:** “Legislative Update”  
                    Roger Aronson, MASSP Attorney/Lobbyist

**Business Meeting:** VOTE ON CHANGE IN BYLAWS - See Enclosure

**President's Report:** Pat Schmidt

**11:00 a.m.      Adjourn**

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