It is my pleasure to invite you to this year’s AASSP/AAMSP Fall Conference in Orange Beach, Alabama, on November 6-9, 2016. This year’s conference promises to be one of the best ever as we welcome back Dr. John Draper. Dr. Draper is a renowned author and speaker who hails from Alabama. He served in our organization for many years and truly understands the struggle of the principal’s role.

One of the most impactful books I have on my shelf is by Dr. Draper, Crucial Conversations about America’s Schools. The book gives current principals clear articulation and data when we are approached about some of the hot topics in American education today such as the dropout rate, the achievement gap, and charter schools. The text is a wonderful addition to the practitioner’s library as it will help you engage in conversations that impact learning today.

You will enjoy Dr. Draper’s engaging presence as he will share with us how we can use solid research to make effective change within our schools. I have full confidence that by the time you leave the meeting with John Draper, you will be more equipped to face the challenges of the job, refreshed in your experience in public education, and more prepared to create your own narrative moving forward.

So please come to Orange Beach and use this opportunity to grow!
Do You Know a Great AP?

Do you know an excellent Assistant Principal? If so, AASSP is now taking nominations and applications for the annual Assistant Principal of the Year Award. The Alabama Assistant Principal of the Year will be chosen from the nominees and will represent Alabama in the National Assistant Principal of the Year program sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and Virco.

Application/Nomination form starts on page 6

Deadline is November 2.

Upcoming Events

AASSP/AAMSP Fall Conference
November 6-9, 2016
Perdido Beach Resort - Orange Beach

Secretaries Conference
November 29-30, 2016
The Wynfrey Hotel
Birmingham, AL

Assistant Principals Conference
- January 25-26, 2017
  Hampton Inn - Orange Beach

  - February 1-2, 2017
    Embassy Suites - Hunstville

  - February 8-9, 2017
    Marriott Legends - Prattville

Law Conference
February 22, 2017
The Wynfrey Hotel
Birmingham, AL

CLAS Summer Convention
June 11-14, 2017
Riverview Plaza and
Mobile Convention Center
Mobile, AL

NASSP/NAESP Joint National Conference
July 9-11, 2017
Philadelphia, PA

Do you have an Innovative Idea to share?

If you have an innovative idea or best practice, please submit an article for the AASSP e-Newsletter!

Send Information to katrina@clasleaders.org
In September 2016 Governor Robert Bentley signed a proclamation declaring October as Principals Month in Alabama.

In addition, the Alabama State Board of Education recognized October as Principals Month with a resolution at the Board of Education meeting on October 13.

Several CLAS members and outstanding principals were present to accept the proclamation. (L-R) Alabama State Superintendent of Education, Michael Sentance, Elementary National Distinguished Principal, Charles Gardner; Opelika High School Principal, Dr. Farrell Seymore, and Alabama’s Principal of the Year, Dr. Daniel Steele.

Dr. Daniel Steele hosted U.S. Representative, Gary Palmer at his school October 11. Inviting a congressman to visit your school was part of the National Principals Month celebration.
Greenpower Racing
A Drive Into the 21st Century

STEM: an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, is an ever-growing career field. Oxford Middle School implemented a STEM program in conjunction with the Internationally renowned Greenpower Program during the 2015-2016 school year to get students excited and interested in engineering and technology through project-based learning. During the 2015-2016 school year, 8th grade students at Oxford Middle School, with guidance from sponsor Erica Smith, formed the Inaugural OMS Greenpower Racing Team. The students were challenged to solve current problems to address issues our culture faces in the area of sustainable energy. This challenge was designed to incorporate and teach the importance of engineering in today’s society. In this program students designed and built a single seat racecar that runs solely on electrical energy using science, technology, engineering, and math principles. Before building the car, the design team created CAD drawings to use as a blueprint for construction. After the design, the assembly team began their work constructing their 21st century racecar. On April 23, 2016 the team raced against schools from across the state of Alabama in the Annual Greenpower USA Race held at Whitesburg School in Huntsville, AL. In addition to designing, building, and racing their car, students also created and presented a marketing campaign to promote the project.

With the support from The Oxford City Schools Board of Education, Superintendent Dr. Jeff Goodwin, Oxford Middle School Principal Michael Maniscalco, and the continued support of our local businesses and stakeholders, we look forward to providing this program for our students in the future.
The Challenge of Change

AASSP/AAMSP FALL CONFERENCE 2016
Alabama Association of Secondary School Principals and Alabama Association of Middle School Principals
November 6-9, 2016
Perdido Beach Resort
Orange Beach, Alabama

AGENDA

Sunday, November 6, 2016
2:00-5:00 Arrival and Registration
5:00-6:30 AASSP and AAMSP Board Meetings
7:00 AASSP/AAMSP Board of Directors Dinner

Monday, November 7, 2016
7:45-8:30 Continental Breakfast
8:00-4:30 Registration
8:30-9:45 Opening General Session
10:00-10:30 Breakout Sessions
- Clarke-Shaw Magnet School
- Gulf Shores High School
- James Clemens High School

10:30-10:45 Break
10:45-11:15 Breakout Sessions
- Thompson Sixth Grade
- Florence High School
- Albertville High School

11:30-1:00 Lunch with the Vendors
1:00-1:30 Breakout Sessions
- Piedmont High School/Middle School
- Athens City Virtual School
- Opelika High School

1:45-5:45 Legislative Panel
2:45-3:00 Break
3:00-3:45 Affiliate Meetings
4:00-6:00 Reception with Vendors

Tuesday, November 8, 2016
7:30-8:00 Continental Breakfast
8:00-11:20 Breakout Sessions
- Jayne Ellsperman, NASSP President
- Sallye Longshore, Executive Director, Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention
- Shanthia Washington, Director of Office of Student Learning, State Department of Education
- Dave Dagley, Professor at the University of Alabama
- Cordell Jones, Breakthrough Coach Presenter

11:30-12:45 Bryant Jordan Luncheon: Steve Savarese, AHSAA Executive Director
1:15-4:35 Breakout Sessions (Repeated)

Wednesday, November 9, 2016
8:00-10:00 Superintendent’s Breakfast
Keynote Speaker: Ed Nichols

REGISTRATION

Name: ____________________________________________
Badge Name: _______________________________________
Position: __________________________________________
School: ___________________________________________
System: ___________________________________________
Phone: ___________________ Fax: _____________________
E-mail: ____________________________________________
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Billing City: ______________________ Zip: ______________
Spouse/Guest (guest qualification applies only to individuals who are NOT in the educational industry): __________

Circle Choice(s) Pre-Registration by Sept. 30 Registration Oct. 1 - Nov. 4 On-Site After Nov. 4

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Refunds granted only upon request. No refunds granted after Nov. 4, 2016. Send registration by 24-hour fax line to (334) 265-3611 or mail your payment and registration form to:
AASSP  | P.O. Box 428 | Montgomery, AL 36101-0428

Questions? Call (800) 239-3616

Housing: Call (800) 634-8001 or go to www.perdidoceanresort.com code is "2016 AASSP/AAMSP Conference" Booking ID is 10135. The group rate is $111.00 double/single rate (may vary). Cut off date is October 20, 2016.
The National Assistant Principal of the Year Program is sponsored by National Association of Secondary School Principals. The winner will receive recognition at the state and national levels and be invited to apply for the National Assistant Principal of the Year Award. Also, Alabama’s winner serves a term on the Board of Directors of the Alabama Association of Secondary School Principals.

CONTACT INFORMATION
Name: _________________________________________________________________
School: _________________________________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________
Phone: (____) ____________________ Mobile Phone: (____) ____________________
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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT
School Superintendent’s Name: ____________________________________________
System Name/Address: _____________________________________________________
Enrollment: ______________   Grades: _______________
Check one: □ Urban □ Suburban □ Rural   Number of Assistant Principals: ______

Applications are due by November 2
Fax: (334) 265-3611 or Mail: Katrina Akers, Asst. Exe. Dir., P.O. Box 428, Montgomery, AL 36101-0428
PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

1. Membership and offices in professional organizations/dates:
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2. Community leadership – membership, offices, and activities/dates:
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3. Awards & honors/dates:
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4. Please describe an exemplary program, idea, strategy, or event at your school
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5. Please describe what you consider to be your greatest contribution(s), accomplishments, and successes as an Assistant Principal.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

All applicants are required to submit a total of three letters of recommendation, in original form, one from each of the following:

- Applicant’s current principal, or immediate supervisor
- Teacher from the applicant’s staff
- Student, parent, or business/community/government leader

_____________________________________________________________________
Applicant’s Signature

Date

_____________________________________________________________________
Principal’s Signature

Date
PROVOCATIVE AND INSPIRING

Sharing their unique knowledge and experiences, the National Principals Conference Thought Leaders will motivate you to enrich your leadership and send you home with a renewed passion to enact real change in your school.

SHERRY TURKLE
Turkle argues that our devices and online personas are shaping our modern relationships and that we sometimes confuse online sharing with authentic communication. Person-to-person conversation must be reclaimed since it is the most human thing we do, and there is ample time to reshape how technology enhances—rather than hinders—human interaction.

MICHAEL SCHMOKER
Schmoker focuses on where to allocate time, effort, and resources to ensure all students are prepared for the demands of college, career, and citizenship. Using real-world examples, he shares how to implement the three elements of good schooling—curriculum, literacy, and soundly structured lessons—to produce immediate results.

KEVIN CARROLL
An author, speaker, and agent for social change (a.k.a., the Katalyst), Kevin Carroll inspires audiences to embrace their spirit of play and creativity to maximize their human potential and sustain more meaningful professional and personal growth.

JULY 9-11, 2017
PHILADELPHIA, PA

Register today and enjoy a $100 discount with code NPCPRINMONTH* in celebration of National Principals Month.

*Offer ends October 31, 2016 and applies to full conference rate only. Cannot be combined with any other offers.