

Merry Christmas! Happy Holidays! Feliz Navidad! Joyeux Noel! Frohe Weihnachten! Buon Natale! Feliz Natal!

Greetings, TASBO Members.

It's my pleasure to provide our official "Save the Date" for our annual conference, The JOY of School Business, Tuesday, November 15th-Friday, November 18th, 2022. The Board of Directors looks forward to welcoming you to Embassy Suites & Conference Center in Murfreesboro, TN, for a week filled with fun and learning.

Please make sure to visit <u>www.hilton.com</u> to make your reservations early and receive the special TASBO room rate of \$168/night.

Once the room block fills up, this special rate will no longer be available to our attendees.

Preliminary conference information is as follows:

<u>Philanthropy</u>

TASBO will be supporting the Make-A-Wish Foundation this year with the goal of providing a wish to a recipient here in TN. The cost of a wish is \$8,000, and I know we can do it!! To help reach our goal, we are asking for donations of holiday baskets from each district for our silent auction. You can choose a fun theme for your holiday basket or choose traditional holiday items.

If we receive an overwhelming amount of participation, we will use the baskets for door prizes throughout the conference.

As always, we will have a physical donation box as well as a link to donate electronically.

Please take a look at this 2.5-minute video to see how Make-A-Wish blessed the life of fouryear-old, Kamryn. <u>Kamryn's Video</u>

Team Building Event

This year, TASBO will offer an office team building event on Tuesday night for which your team will need to register in advance.

The event will be a gingerbread house decorating contest. It will be a fun and festive time with hot chocolate, Christmas cookies, fellowship, and a healthy dose of competition! Teams will need to provide their own decorating materials, and the winning team will receive a prize and a trophy to take home and display in their office. Teams will need to be 10 people or less.

More information about this activity will be forthcoming with registration.

<u>"Ugly" Christmas Sweaters</u>

Dress for one day of the conference will be "ugly" Christmas sweaters. A prize for the winning sweater(s) will be awarded.

Outstanding School Business Official

Each year, the Tennessee Association of School Business Officials recognizes an outstanding TASBO member who exemplifies professionalism, leadership, and innovation in the field of School Business Management. Nominees for the TASBO Outstanding Business Official Award must be a current and active TASBO member who is employed by a Tennessee public school system or by the Tennessee Department of Education. The Outstanding School Business Official will receive complimentary attendance at the SASBO conference in Louisville, Kentucky, which will take place April 3-5, 2023. Please submit all nominations through the form below by September 15, 2022. <u>Nomination Form</u>

<u>CPE</u>

Because TASBO is not a registered sponsor of continuing professional education for CPAs and because the credits are industry-specific and offered annually, one must request pre-

approval of such continuing professional education by the Tennessee State Board of Accountancy prior to attending any courses. When the conference schedule is released in October, a description of the course can be submitted along with the request.

Conference/Membership Fee

The 2022 conference fee will be \$200, and TASBO membership will be \$50. Your membership fee also provides membership to SASBO (The Southeastern Association of School Business Officials). For more information about the benefits of SASBO, visit https://www.sasbo.org/, or speak with our SASBO Representative, Mrs. Anita Floyd at afloyd@colliervilleschools.org.

Please note that you are able to renew your membership even if you are unable to attend the conference.

I can hardly wait to see you in November. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you have about the conference at <u>lipee@gcschools.net</u>.

Sincerely,

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