



## IASB Update for AEA Superintendent Meetings January 2021

### Don't Miss Out on High Quality Convention Content—Recordings Now Available!

Our [75<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention](#) may be over, but the learning doesn't have to stop! Recordings of all three general sessions, 20+ education sessions and five Night Owl Networking sessions are **now available for purchase for \$195!** You'll gain access to the recordings within the [EventMobi platform](#) until November 2021.

For questions, contact Lou Ann Gvist at [lgvist@ia-sb.org](mailto:lgvist@ia-sb.org).

### Check Out Our Tools of the Month—Legislator Look-Up Tool & SSA Toolkit

As an advocate, it's important to develop a relationship with your senators and representatives. IASB offers a tool, [Legislator Look-Up](#), to assist you in communicating with your legislators. This directory makes it easy to find your legislator, learn about their background and download contact information. Users can even search for their legislator by school district!

You can use IASB's [Supplemental State Aid \(SSA\) Toolkit](#) to help you talk to your legislators about the importance of setting a state aid rate as it allows your district to plan for the future. This toolkit will come in handy ahead of the January 21 [Virtual Lobby Day](#) focused on supplemental state aid and school funding policy!

For questions, contact Michelle Johnson at [mjohnson@ia-sb.org](mailto:mjohnson@ia-sb.org).

### Listen and Learn from the Latest Capitol Chats Podcast Episode

In the latest episode of our advocacy podcast, [Capitol Chats](#), IASB school finance expert Shawn Snyder provides a mostly positive analysis of the recent Revenue Estimating Conference (REC) meeting. He also gives an update on their revenue projections and what he thinks we could see for a possible Supplemental State Aid (SSA) rate. Additionally, you can [read IASB's analysis](#) of the December 11 meeting of the Revenue Estimating Conference (REC). **[Listen now!](#)**

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## Encourage Your Board President to Watch the New Board President Webinar Series for Vital Tips and Tricks

A chief responsibility of the board president is to promote collaboration and cultivate cohesion among their board members. So many questions come to mind. Where do you start? What matters most? What should you avoid?

Superintendents, encourage your board president to join IASB on January 14 for a **free one-hour webinar** focused on maximizing governance effectiveness through operating together as a unified team. IASB staff and experienced board leaders will talk about the importance of getting to know board members and explore what that really means, discuss foundational communication practices and share concrete steps to help board presidents establish a tone of cooperative leadership. **[Register now!](#)**

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## Get Vital Advocacy Training from Our New Webinar Series, *Priorities in Primetime*

While we are sad to announce we will not be holding an in-person Day on the Hill in 2021 due to health and safety concerns with the ongoing pandemic, we are excited about our brand-new advocacy webinar series, *Priorities in Primetime*. Each one-hour webinar will be focused on a different legislative priority and will take place in the evening for your convenience.

Registration is **now open** for the January 18 webinar covering Supplemental State Aid (SSA) and school funding with IASB school finance expert, Shawn Snyder. For more information, visit the [Priorities in Primetime Webinar Series webpage](#). Please note that these webinars replace the training portion of Day on the Hill. The [Virtual Lobby Days](#) replace the advocacy portion.

**BONUS!** During each webinar, attendees can participate in a fun and engaging Bingo game, with a chance to win #PublicSchoolProud coasters! Webinar attendees earn five [Better Boardsmanship credits](#).

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## Speak Your Mind and (Safely!) Advocate Through IASB's Virtual Lobby Days

At Day on the Hill, the combined voices of hundreds of school board members advocating for public education ring loud and clear. This year, due to the ongoing pandemic, we will not be able to gather together at the Capitol to advocate. Instead, we invite you to participate in [Virtual Lobby Days](#) throughout the legislative session.

Join IASB on January 21 for the first [Virtual Lobby Day](#) focused on (safely!) lobbying your legislators on behalf of Supplemental State Aid (SSA) and school funding policy. **[Learn more today!](#)**

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## Proactively Peruse the Latest *Policy Primer*

Subscribers to IASB's policy services received a policy update regarding Chapter 103 physical restraint and seclusion, and updated emergency sick leave.

If your district is not yet a subscriber to the Policy Primer, please contact Marte Brightman at [mbrightman@ia-sb.org](mailto:mbrightman@ia-sb.org) to learn more about this [valuable service](#).

## Review the Winter 2020–21 *On the Agenda* Board Calendar

A board calendar is a simple tool that governance teams can use as a starting place to ensure efficient, effective board meetings and strengthen the decision making of the board. The winter 2020 issue is [available for download now](#).

If you have questions, please contact Tammy Votava at [tvotava@ia-sb.org](mailto:tvotava@ia-sb.org).

### Upcoming Events

**Jan. 14, 2021:** [Webinar: The Board President's Role in Building a Cohesive Team](#)

**Jan. 19, 2021:** [Webinar: Priorities in Primetime: Supplemental State Aid \(SSA\) & School Funding](#)

**Jan. 21, 2021:** [Virtual Lobby Day: Supplemental State Aid \(SSA\) & School Funding Policy](#)

**Feb. 2, 2021:** [Webinar: Priorities in Primetime: COVID-19 Remediation for Student Achievement](#)

**Feb. 4, 2021:** [Virtual Lobby Day: COVID-19 Remediation for Student Achievement](#)

**Feb. 9, 2021:** [Webinar: Priorities in Primetime: Mental Health](#)

**Feb. 10, 2021:** [NSBA Equity Online Symposium](#)

**Feb. 11, 2021:** [Virtual Lobby Day: Mental Health](#)

**Feb. 16, 2021:** [Webinar: Priorities in Primetime: Preschool](#)

**Feb. 16–17, 2021:** [ISFLC February Conference](#)

**Feb. 18, 2021:** [Virtual Lobby Day: Preschool](#)

**April 8–10, 2021:** [NSBA 2021 Online Experience](#)

For a complete listing, visit [www.ia-sb.org/learninghub](http://www.ia-sb.org/learninghub).