

Season's Greetings, TASBO Members!

It is my pleasure to announce that **registration** is open 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 networking, professional development, and fun. Please see all the conference details below.

Schedule

TASBO is excited to share our program full of high-quality professional development. <u>Click</u> <u>here for the conference program.</u>

Conference Registration and Membership

Full Conference: Our 2022 conference, The Joy of School Business, begins with a day of Pre-Conference sessions on Tuesday, November 15th. Full conference registration is \$250.00 and includes 2.5 days of professional development, networking with colleagues & vendors, lunches, dinners, and receptions with entertainment. Pre-Conference sessions are available with both In-Person and Virtual options. Please note that the Tennessee Internal School Funds Accounting Policy Manual is being updated for the first time since July 2011. The Comptroller's Office will be presenting the updates during the 9:00 am Pre-Conference session by Jerry Durham. You can sign up for the Pre-Conference sessions with your full conference registration or sign up for only these sessions if you are unable to attend the full conference.

Pre-Conference Sessions Only: <u>Click here to register for Pre-Conference Sessions only.</u> Use this form if you are unable to attend the full conference but plan attend the one-day inperson or virtual session. As a member you can register up to 10 personnel from your district office by using the "Guest" option here. We are excited to offer this opportunity for you to provide training for school-level personnel.

Full Conference and Membership: You can join TASBO or renew your membership when you register for the conference or Pre-Conference sessions. Annual membership is \$50.00 and provides access to both TASBO and SASBO (The Southeastern Association of School Business Officials). <u>Click here to register for the conference and become a member of TASBO/SASBO for 2022-2023.</u>

Membership Only: If you are unable to attend the conference this year, but would like to join TASBO or renew your membership to retain access to all TASBO and SASBO resources, please <u>Click here for Membership Only for 2022-2023</u>.

Guests: TASBO welcomes guests who are traveling with you to join us for conference meals. <u>Click here to register a guest for meals and/or entertainment</u>.

Lodging

<u>Embassy Suites and Conference Center</u>: 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.

<u>Holiday Inn Murfreesboro</u>: Use the link to book directly or call the front desk at 615-751-5300 and use the code TASBO. The TASBO room rate includes breakfast and is available until 10/28/2022.

<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. If you have an item you would like to donate to the silent auction as an individual, your donation is welcome and appreciated. Please contact TASBO Philanthropy Coordinator, Mrs. Cecilia Booker, with any questions at <u>cbooker@colliervilleschools.org</u>.

As always, we will have a physical donation box or you can donate electronically at this link, <u>Make-A-Wish Donations</u>. If you are unable to attend the conference or will be attending only the virtual sessions, we would be honored to have you join our cause with the link provided.

Please take a moment out of your busy day to watch this 2.5-minute video to see how Make-A-Wish blessed the life of four-year-old, Kamryn. <u>Kamryn's Video</u>

Team Building Event

This year, TASBO will offer an office team building event at 5:00 PM on Tuesday evening, November 15th. 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! TASBO will provide the basic house, and teams will need to provide their own decorating materials such as gum drops, icing, etc. Feel free to get creative and choose a theme for your gingerbread house. Teams will need to be 10 people or less. You will need to RSVP for this event with your conference registration. We will ask for your team's name and the number of people on your team. More information will be forthcoming for those who register for this event, including exact dimensions of the gingerbread houses.

Conference Attire

We want this to be a fun conference and encourage you to dress comfortably and festively throughout the week. Dress for Thursday, November 17th, will be "ugly" Christmas sweaters. A prize for the winning sweater(s) will be awarded.

<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 preapproval of such continuing professional education by the Tennessee State Board of Accountancy prior to attending any courses.

Pass It On

The TASBO conference is the largest state-wide gathering of school business

professionals. Please share this email with anyone in your own office or in a neighboring district that could benefit from this opportunity.

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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