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Letter from the President

Dear friends of Independent and Private education:

As you know, Minnehaha Academy suffered an incredible tragedy last week at their upper school campus. The outpouring of kind words, wishes and offerings of assistance have been remarkable and illustrate the very best of humanity during trying times. We know many schools and leaders have sent notes, cards and emails to Donna Harris and the Minnehaha Academy staff, and we continue to offer our thoughts and prayers to the entire MA community.

[Registration for the 12th annual School Leadership Conference is open.](#) This conference, our highest rated offering each year, offers a robust agenda of learning mixed with valuable time to connect and network with other private and independent school leaders. A special thanks to Pete Van Der Puy and the conference committee for their diligent work in putting together a strong conference lineup.

Thanks to the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation, **schools interested in becoming a member of MISF can join for a reduced rate for 2017-18.** For more information on this new member incentive, [contact me for additional details.](#)

We know many schools will return to classes during the next several weeks, and we send our very best for a safe and successful year of learning ahead.

Tim Benz, CFRE
President

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2017 School Leadership Conference

September 25-27
Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge, Deerwood

Registration is now open for the 12th annual School Leadership Conference.



With presentations on wide-ranging topics relevant to all schools, panel discussions, and plenty of networking and socializing opportunities like the Monday night President's Reception, this year's conference is one you won't want to miss.

Sessions at this year's conference include:

- **What's New in Strategic Planning?** ~ Brandi Olson, Brandi Olson Consulting
- **Mental Health & Suicide - Awareness, Prevention and Response** ~ Wendell Veurink, M. Div., Training Coordinator, Greater Minnesota Family Services
- **Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA): Serving Nonpublic Students, Staff and Families** ~ Debra Landvik Letendre, Education Specialist, Minnesota Department of Education
- **Advocacy and School Choice: Why Your Voice Matters** ~ Chas Anderson, Executive Director, Opportunity for All Kids (OAK)
- **Staff Evaluation - A Panel Perspective**
- **Students with Computers: The Power and the Pitfalls** ~ Dr. Steve Pohlen, Director of Technology and Learning, Benilde-St. Margaret's School
- **Legal Perspective: Hiring and Managing Staff** ~ Thomas B. Weiser, Attorney, Meier, Kennedy and Quinn
- **MISF's Strategic Plan**

Special pricing is available for first time attendees! [Click here for more information, and to register.](#)

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School Indoor Air Quality Training

The Minnesota Department of Health is holding free School Indoor Air Quality Trainings statewide and via webinar.

Public schools must have health and safety programs that comply with health, safety, and environmental regulations and best practices, including indoor air quality (IAQ) management. This training will discuss the state's best practices for school IAQ management. **Non-public schools are encouraged to attend this training, follow these best practices, and develop an IAQ Management Plan.**

There is no cost for this training (lunch is NOT provided).

Registration is required. Classes may be canceled if registration is low.

The training announcement and registration form [available at the MDH site.](#)

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Dates to Remember

MISF's Lunch & Learn Seminars

With topics and presenters to be announced soon, dates have been set for the 2017-2018 Lunch & Learn Seminars. Put these on your calendar now, and watch the MISF Newsletters and your email box for further information!

- Thursday, October 26, 2017
- Thursday, December 7, 2017
- Thursday, January 18, 2018



- Thursday, March 1, 2018
- Thursday, May 10, 2018
- Thursday, June 21, 2018

School Leadership Conference

September 25-27, 2017 ~ Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge, Deerwood

Private & Independent Education Awards

Sunday, April 29, 2018 ~ University of St. Thomas, St. Paul

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