



Florida School Boards Association

The voice of education in Florida

FSBA News - **February 2017**

February is Black History Month

February is Black History Month. Click [HERE](#) for Governor Rick Scott's website recognizing the role of African-Americans in shaping Florida today. Don't forget to share your celebrations, events, and resources with us through our social media accounts.

Advocacy Services

Click below to see some highlights from the Washington, D.C. advocacy trip



Upcoming Event:

30th Annual Day in the Legislature & Board of Directors' Meeting March 29-31, Tallahassee

This event serves to underscore FSBA's role as the voice of education in Florida and enhance FSBA's advocacy on education issues under consideration by the Florida Legislature. Please click [HERE](#) for registration, hotel information, and more.

Contact [Patricia Peterson](#) for more information

Governor Rick Scott Releases "Fighting for Florida's Future" Budget

An FSBA report on the Governor's recommended budget is located [HERE](#). Click [HERE](#) for the Governor's site including his full budget and frequently asked questions.

Florida Legislature - Interim Committee Weeks

The Florida Legislature will hold Interim Committee meetings in February during the weeks of February 6-10, February 13-17, and February 20-24. FSBA offers a wide range

of resources to help you stay informed as you prepare for the official start of the 2017 Legislative Session on March 7, 2017.

We are excited to announce the Session Spotlight Blog. Summaries and resources will be posted throughout Committee weeks and Session. Click on the image below and bookmark the Session Spotlight page today!



Be sure to click on the links below and check back often for updates:

- [Resource room](#)
- [State Government Relations Page](#)
- [Advocacy Tool Page](#)

If you are planning to be in the capital city to meet with our state leaders, be sure to stop by **YOUR FSBA Tallahassee office**. [MAP](#)

Leadership Development

CONGRATULATIONS to our newest Certified Board Member (CBM) Jane Crawford from Putnam County! See a complete list of CBM [HERE](#).

Upcoming Events:

New School Board Member Academy, Part II - *Staying on Track* March 28-29, Tallahassee

This training gives newly elected board members a second opportunity to gain insight into their job responsibilities and to network with their peers. Topics will include: Superintendent and Board Member communication, the Sunshine Law, public records, Florida Standards and advocacy tips.

REGISTER & LEARN MORE [HERE](#)

[Master Board Program](#)

[Intent to Participate forms](#) deadline extended to February 15

- April 6-7, Mission Inn Resort at Howey-in-the-Hills
- May 4-5, Gainesville, FL (Sessions held at Covenant Church)
 - *Space for this location is filling up quickly, request soon!*
- May 18-19, Holiday Inn Panama City
- June 29-30, Bowling Green (Sessions held at South FL State College)

Contact [Carolyn Sanders](#) with questions about Leadership Development events

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NSBA School Rx Cooperative

FSBA is proud to partner with the NSBA School Rx Cooperative. The Cooperative is a new and innovative pharmacy benefit program that delivers cost savings to self-funded districts. Budgets are tight. Student achievement is our priority. This is a way to save money and put it back where it belongs, back to student achievement.



We have set up an information page for School Board Members on our FSBA Website, and have included the October "Did You Know" article outlining related current issues and benefits to joining. Access these resources by clicking the links below:

- [CLICK HERE](#) to access the article»
- [CLICK HERE](#) to access the information page»

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