



MASFAP February 2018 Communication

Upcoming MASFAP Professional Development Events

March 14, 2018 - **NASFAA Credentialing—Direct Loans**

- Registration live on masfap.org
- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Lunch provided
- MOHELA's Columbia Office, 555 Vandiver Drive, Columbia, MO

April 17, 2018 - **Verification Training**—registration open soon on masfap.org

May 23, 2018 - **MASFAP Town Hall**—registration open soon on masfap.org

HB 2408 Bright Flight

Representative Scott Fitzpatrick, MO R-158 has issued a bill on modifying the Bright Flight program.

A brief summary of the bill was sent to the membership on 2-19-18 via the MASFAP-L. The Legislative Committee requested MASFAP members to share thoughts on this bill ASAP. The Legislative Committee is working with the MASFAP Executive Board in developing a position on this bill, as well as appropriate speaking points.

All MASFAP members are invited to share thoughts to Legislative Committee Chairs:

Will Shaffner: wills@mohela.com

Keri Gilbert: gilbertk@missouri.edu

Any responses or positions will be shared with the membership.

Stay tuned...

The legislative committee is finalizing plans for a Hill Day in Jefferson City for MASFAP to advocate for state programs. The committee is also planning visits on a federal level in Washington D.C.

News From the MASFAP Program

Mark your calendars now for November 5-7, 2018. We know it's early, but we have already reviewed conference evaluations from 2017, reached out to a few possible keynote speakers, started deciding on a theme, and had good discussion on sessions. We plan to send a call for session proposals out to the membership by March 12—please be on the lookout for that and be ready to suggest some sessions! We know your budget dollars are scarce, and we plan to make this a conference full of valuable information.

MASFAP Executive Board

MASFAP's Executive Board met in early February via conference call to approve committee members and discuss important goals for the year. While it is never too late to join a MASFAP Committee, MASFAP Committees now have the green light to move forward with projects and goals for the year. If you have not volunteered for a committee, please do! Your participation makes us better!