



# STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS AND INFORMATION



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## NEW REGION 6 NATIONAL CONFERENCE - LIBERTY-NORTH HS



Region 6 (Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and New Mexico)

will offer and host a national conference to train student leaders and advisors for the first time in June, 23-24-25, 2017.

The **Region 6 VISION** (Value, Inspire, Share, Insight, Opportunity, Network) Conference is open to any student, advisor and principal in the United States and around the world. The purpose of the conference is to meet and network with other leaders, obtain new ideas from informative speakers and workshops and ascertain innovative ideas about service learning.

Participants will come away with renewed enthusiasm for student council involvement at their schools, new projects and ideas to implement and stronger leadership skills and friendships.

**Social Media Platforms** - Facebook page, Instagram and Twitter accounts for the conference. They are all @R6VISION

Email questions to [R6VISION@gmail.com](mailto:R6VISION@gmail.com)

**Conference Flyer - 2017 Region 6 VISION Conference Flyer**

**Cost - \$175 per person -**

### Hotel Information:

**Hampton Inn**  
8551 N Church Rd  
Kansas City, MO 64157  
816-415-9600  
\$129 King/Double  
Includes Breakfast & Wifi

**KCI Airport Marriott**  
775 Brasilia Ave  
Kansas City, MO 64153  
816-243-1253  
\$109 S/D or \$119 T/Q  
Includes Breakfast & Wifi

**Fairfield Inn**  
8181 N Church Rd  
Kansas City, MO 64158  
816-792-4000  
\$109 King/\$114 Double  
Includes Breakfast & Wifi

**Region 6 Vision Conference Promo**

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## SARA WILSON NAMED 2016 EARL REUM—KANSAS ADVISOR OF THE YEAR



Sara Wilson has been the Chemistry Teacher at her alma mater for thirteen years and the Student Council Advisor at

Derby High School in Derby, Kansas for the last four years. Under her direction, the Derby High School Student Council established the Panther Leadership Academy, which is a 3-day leadership workshop for 3rd through 6th graders.

Derby High School's Student Council President Grace Linn says, "I have had the pleasure of working with Ms. Wilson for four years

and I am always impressed with the level of organization and effort that she puts into our activities....the biggest improvement is the amount of people we have involved and the amount of activities we hold as a student council."

Ms. Wilson and Derby High School have served as a host for many KSHSAA Regional Conferences and has been a huge support of the KSHSAA Summer Leadership Workshop by sending students each and every year, with many of them returning as Junior Councilors.

Derby High School's Principal, Tim Hamblin, stated, "Sara's leadership or sponsorship style is one of empowerment. She absolutely insists that the student



leaders figure things out and holds them accountable for their decisions

and actions. Her students and Student Council kids learn about work ethic, integrity accountability, service, organization, time management and overall responsibility."

When asked about her work as a student council advisor, Sara said, "The value of student council is difficult to measure, but the effect it has on its participants is certainly a lasting one."



In this era of focus on producing students who are "college and career ready", student council can fill a void in the curriculum that teachers are left without time to address in the classroom. Many of the soft skills that are outside the classroom curriculum, such as communication, initiative, and follow-through are directly exercised and developed through the opportunities student council provides for students."



## NASC CONFERENCE — PINKERTON ACADEMY, DERRY, NH

Plan to attend the 80th Annual National Student Council Conference, "Out of This World Leadership" in Derry, New Hampshire. The Pinkerton Academy High School Student Council is well underway to making the June 26 — 28, 2017 National Conference an event to remember.

*Schools are NOT limited to the number of delegates or advisors, but adequate supervision is required.* High schools as well as junior highs or middle schools are eligible to attend.

### Early Registration:

Member Rate: \$385/person  
(member rates are for those

schools that have a current NASC membership)

Non-member: \$485/person  
Early Bird Postmark Deadline: April 15, 2017.



### Registration after April 14, 2017:

Member Rate: \$415/person (member rates are for those schools that have a current NASC membership)

Non-member: \$515/person  
Postmark Deadline: May 19, 2017

Attendee registration fees cover the following:

All conference activities, events, and speakers

Bus transportation to/from the official conference hotels and to/from Pinkerton Academy, starting Monday morning, June 26, through the end of the conference on Wednesday, June 28, 2017.

Meals included in the registration: Breakfast, Monday–Wednesday  
Lunch, Monday–Wednesday  
Dinners, Monday and Tuesday

All meals, including breakfast, will be served at Pinkerton Academy for all conference attendees  
Bus pickup times for these hotels will be confirmed in May.

Hotel costs are separate and are not included in the registration fees.



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KSHSAA BY  
FEBRUARY 24,  
2017**

## TENTATIVE! 2017 REGIONAL CONFERENCE DATES

Monday, Sept. 18  
Tuesday, Sept. 19  
Wednesday, Sept. 20  
Thursday, Sept. 21  
Monday, Sept. 25  
Tuesday, Sept. 26  
Wednesday, Sept. 27  
Thursday, Sept. 28

## STUDENT ADVISORY TEAM APPLICATIONS

In 1996, the KSHSAA Executive Board approved the formation of a Student Advisory Team (SAT) to represent the student's voice in Association governance. The role of the committee is to:

- Receive information and provide input to the Executive Board, Board of Directors, and Association staff regarding KSHSAA issues.
- Serve as a sounding board on proposals affecting students.
- Provide input at Association meetings regarding proposals.
- Network and communicate with other students regarding advisory committee positions.
- Express student opinions relative to the KSHSAA activities, rules and policies.

The SAT is comprised of two representatives from each of the six KSHSAA classifications. Each school

has the opportunity to nominate one male or one female to serve on the SAT.

The administrative staff of the KSHSAA select committee representatives from the applications submitted.

### Terms of Membership:

Applicants need to be a Junior next year (2017-2018 school year) and will serve a two-year term.

**Nominations:** Each member school may submit one nomination. Nominations are due by March 3, 2017.

**Meetings:** The SAT meets twice annually, October and March; specific dates will be determined later.

Efforts are made to minimize overnight travel and loss of classroom time.

**Faculty Supervisor:** The Athletic/Activities Director or other faculty representative designated by the student representative's school will serve as the student's supervisor at SAT meetings.

**Expenses:** Consistent with established policy, ex-

penses incurred for the student representative and the Athletic/Activities Director attending SAT meetings will be reimbursed by the KSHSAA unless waived by the member school.

Principals were mailed the application and memo regarding specific openings in January. Please check with your school principal for more information.

### 2017-18 Openings:

6A-Female  
5A-Male  
4A-Male  
3A-Female  
2A-Male  
1A-Female



“Your Focus Determines Your Reality” ~Qui Gen Jinn

## 2017 STUDENT COUNCIL WORKSHOP-“WE ARE ONE: A LEADERSHIP STORY”

This summer will mark the 54th year for the annual KSHSAA Summer Student Council Leadership Workshop. We are hoping to make it one of the best ever! The dates for this summer's workshop are **July 16-21, 2017 in Emporia.**

The KSHSAA Summer Student Council Leadership Workshop is a five-day experiential leadership program for high school student leaders. The program teaches goal setting, problem solving,

**There will be advanced council opportunities for students who previously attended the workshop but are interested in furthering their leadership training.**

organization, team building, conflict resolution, appreciating diversity, evaluation, communication and self awareness. Students leave the workshop with leadership skills and a renewed enthusiasm for their position as student leaders. Annually, we have an exceptional staff on hand to help train our Kansas student leaders. Additionally, there is a separate, but concurrent session for student council advisors at the workshop. Advisors from middle schools and high schools are invited to attend. This advisor's council is a perfect way to network and learn what being an advisor truly is...while having a BLAST together!

Plans for the 2017 KSHSAA Summer Student Council Leadership Workshop are now under-

way. The theme for this summer's workshop will be **“WE ARE ONE: A LEADERSHIP STORY”** as we experiment and discover the many different events and training that student leaders must discover during their high school experience.

**WE ARE ONE**  
A LEADERSHIP STORY

Junior Counselor applications have been mailed! **Completed applications and recommendations need to be returned to the KSHSAA office by Friday, February 24.** If an interested senior does not receive an application,

please have them contact David Cherry (dcherry@kshsaa.org) with a request and an application will be mailed to them.

Fees and additional information for this summer's workshop will be published in the February KSHSAA Activities Journal. The fees will include room and board, a workshop t-shirt and all workshop materials necessary to build a leader.



**“The Single Most Significant Learning Experience of Your Life!”**  
~Dr. Earl Reum~

## TEAM BUILDING AT 2016 ADVISOR'S WORKSHOP



Ray Boese from Rose Hill HS, Andrew Cherry from Ellinwood Grade School and Tim Dusin

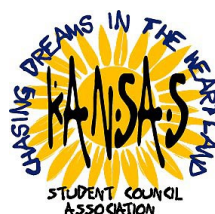
from Satanta HS were our clinicians this past year at the 2016 STUCO Advisor's Workshop, November 9th.

This trio shared tons of great ideas on TEAM Building to our 45 Student Council Advisors from around the state. The workshop was filled with activities, examples and ideas to BUILD YOUR TEAM back at Home. They presenting each attendee a booklet of TEAM Building activities to take home and put to use in their

councils!

One of the advisor's attending said, “This workshop was a great opportunity to network with and ask questions on how others work with student council. These three guys leadership styles are so enthusiastic, it make you want to get back and work with your kids.”

Thank you to all who attended and we hope you plan ahead to attend next years STUCO Advisor's Workshop, Wednesday, November 8th, 2017.



**“Your eyes can deceive you. Don't trust them.”**

- Obi-Wan Kenobi

## NASC OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

The NASC offers a variety of activities, training seminars, workshops and conferences for student council. Please visit [www.nasc.us](http://www.nasc.us) to find out more.

NASC offers leadership training to students in the form of L.E.A.D. Conferences and National Leadership Camps (NLC). LEAD (Leadership Experience and Development) is designed to energize and enrich students and advisors through weekend meetings promoting interstate communication among student leaders and advisors, strengthen leadership skills, and prepare those attending for leadership roles. (See [www.nasc.us](http://www.nasc.us) for dates and locations.)



# Happy New Year to All!

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Let the spirit of love gently fill our hearts and homes.

May the new year bring you joy and anticipation to do even more for  
your school, your students AND yourself.

Visit the KSHSAA Student  
Council Webpage:  
[www.kshsaa.org](http://www.kshsaa.org)

David Cherry

## LEADERSHIP LESSONS FROM STAR WARS

Everyone needs a Yoda. Yoda first appeared in Episode V of the Star Wars series, The Empire Strikes Back. He was the former Grand Master of the Jedi Order and also trained Luke Skywalker to become a Jedi. In Episodes I-III, and was involved in training nearly every Jedi in the universe. Having a Yoda in your life is like having a wise guide at your side. Men and women who are ahead of you in their careers or leadership growth and impart wisdom and insights into my life and work. Choose "masters" who excel in specific areas, rather than expecting one person to be brilliant at everything. **Do you have a Yoda?**

Everyone needs an R2-D2. R2-D2 is the unforgettable robot who, with his constant companion, C-3PO, helps the most influential characters in Star Wars succeed, including Anakin Skywalker, Luke Skywalker, Princess Leia, and Obi-Wan Kenobi. We see R2-D2 play key supporting roles helping Princess Leia deliver a message to Obi-Wan Kenobi, accompanying Luke across the galaxy to repair C-3PO. R2-D2 represents that person who's always there to lend a hand, helping you reach a goal. While they have lives and priorities of their own, they possess gifts and an interest in helping you achieve your mission. **Do you have a R2-D2?**

Everyone needs a Chewbacca. Chewbacca, "Chewie", is a loyal friend and co-pilot to Han Solo. Chewie became Han's sidekick after Han refused to kill him. After this life-saving event, Chewie felt forever indebted to Han. Chewie would take a bullet for him, and use his height and strength to guard and protect those he loves. They are close comrades with whom you have lots of history and have accumulated lots of loyalty and trust over the years. They offer accountability through tough questions and support when you need it most. They are peers, but they are also fans. **Do you have a Chewbacca?**

Everyone needs a Jar Jar Binks. Episode I of the series gave us this interesting character. Intended as a form of comic relief. Some say he was a bumbling fool, and some think he's an unnecessary misfit. Jar Jar represents people who require extra "grace" and effort from us. They are those who keep us humble & patient, or who need us as mentors in their lives. They are awkward characters, but with a heart of gold...and needs your help the most. They need a guide. They need a leader. At times, they have special needs. It is good for you to be there for them. **Do you have a Jar Jar?**

## COUNCIL OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS AVAILABLE FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS

The purpose of the NASC High School Council of Excellence and Middle School Council of Excellence Awards are to provide national recognition for student councils that maintain strong year-round programs. This award provides broader recognition for the most worthy efforts of NASC member schools. All councils meet-

ing the determined criteria in this application will receive the appropriate award.

The complete information describing the governance, activities, and services that a student council may accomplish is located on the NASC Website—[www.nasc.us](http://www.nasc.us). Because of the variations in school size and council structure,

it is not expected that individual councils will complete the entire list. Different levels of awards will be given, determined by how many listed items the school has checked as submitted and documented. Submissions will be verified by NASC.

To show that a school's student council is strong from year to year, the award documentation dates run from

January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

Application postmark deadline will be February 15, 2017.



"Do. Or Do Not. There is No Try!"

~ Yoda

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