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LMSA STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The Louisiana Middle School Association has instituted a \$1000.00 scholarship to be awarded each year to high school seniors entering the field of education. This year LMSA will award two scholarships. Go online to www.lmsaonline.org to download a nomination form. Deadline to submit is March 9, 2012.

The 2011 recipient was Kami Griffin from St. Amant High School.

LMSA SCHOOL GRANT AWARD

LMSA has established a grant of \$1000 which will be awarded to a school with innovative educational program ideas. This award will be given to one school at our annual conference. For more information log on to our website and click on AWARDS. The 2011 recipient was Oak Park Middle School, Lake Charles LA.

LMSA Continuing Education Scholarship

LMSA has established a \$1000 scholarship to be awarded annually to one educator wishing to pursue another degree or certification. Go online to download application. The 2011 recipient was Julye-Ann Collins from Pineville Junior High School.

LMSA Award of Excellence

The Louisiana Middle School Association would like to continue their efforts to recognize outstanding middle level educators in Louisiana. There are many truly excellent professionals who give generously of their talents each day. At our annual spring conference, we would like to recognize these outstanding educators. Please take a few minutes to review the criteria, then go online to www.lmsaonline.org to fill out the nomination form for someone you know who is making a difference in the lives of children. Nominations must be received by March 16, 2012.

REQUIREMENTS

- ◇ Be a current member in good standing of LMSA
- ◇ Have demonstrated a true commitment to middle level
- ◇ Be actively working in the field of middle level education, administration, or college of education instruction.

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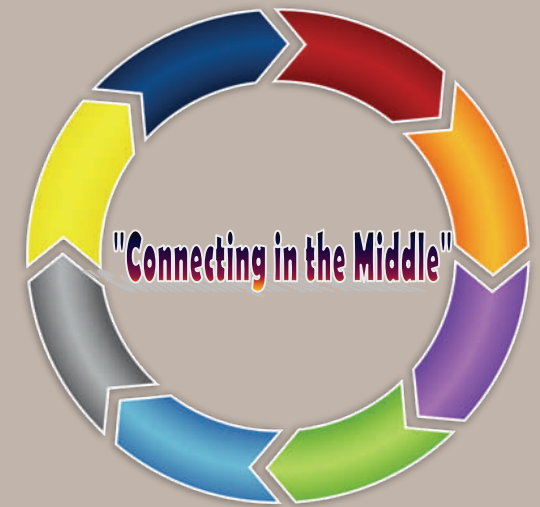
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LMSA

2012 Annual Conference



April 25-27, 2012
**Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol
Center**
201 Lafayette Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70801

2012 Conference Keynote Speaker



Frank Kros

Frank Kros, MSW, JD, is a career child advocate, who has served as a childcare worker, child abuse investigator, children's home administrator, consultant, college professor, attorney, writer and speaker. Mr. Kros is president of The Upside Down Organization and

executive vice president of The Children's Guild, one of the largest private providers of special education services in Maryland. He joined The Children's Guild as vice president of programs in 2000 and became executive vice president in 2002. Prior to arriving at The Guild, Mr. Kros practiced law with Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps in San Diego, California, where his practice focused on children's issues. He also has served as vice president for curriculum and training at Children's Square U.S.A. in Council Bluffs, Iowa; as a child abuse service officer for the Douglas County Juvenile Court in Omaha, Nebraska; and as a family teacher at Father Flanagan's Boy's Home (Boy's Town).

Mr. Kros is a nationally-recognized speaker and presents seminars to parents educators, child-serving professionals and their leaders on various topics including stress and the brain, brain-based learning, aggressive and violent children, attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), neuroscience of the teenage brain and brain-compatible organizational leadership. He has presented his workshops at national education, social work and human services conferences, and Mr. Kros was awarded a Maryland Governor's Citation for his speaking efforts

Mr. Kros received his law degree magna cum laude in 1993 from Notre Dame Law School, where he served on the Notre Dame Law Review. He also holds a master's degree in social work from the University of Nebraska at Omaha and a bachelor's degree in psychology from Creighton University.

EARN CLU'S

Attend the numerous break-out sessions available at the Conference and earn CLU's.

Conference Highlights

- ◆ Attend the numerous breakout sessions offered.
- ◆ Visit the vendor area to find out about items you can use in the classroom and a chance to enter for prizes to be given away during the scavenger hunt.
- ◆ Meet and share ideas with educators from all across the state of Louisiana
- ◆ Share Fair
- ◆ Keynote Speaker Frank Kros

Culture, Cuisine and Charm Baton Rouge is the Best Place to Be

- ◆ USS Kid & Veterans Memorial
- ◆ Louisiana State Museum
- ◆ Mall of Louisiana
- ◆ Old Governors' Mansion
- ◆ BRECS Baton Rouge Zoo
- ◆ Old State Capitol
- ◆ Vintage and antique shopping on Government Street
- ◆ Pentagon Barracks
- ◆ Louisiana Art & Science Museum
- ◆ Some of the best cuisine in Louisiana



REGISTER NOW!!

Early Registration ends April 18, 2012

**Early Registration
\$100.00**

(Payment must be received by April 18, 2012)

**LMSA Membership is FREE!!
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**Late Registration
\$125.00**

Conference registration is available on-line at
www.lmsaonline.org

Room block available until April 11, 2012

LMSA Outstanding Teacher Award

Free 2013 Conference Registration, Hotel Accommodations, and technology equipment for the classroom. Go online to www.lmsaonline.org to download instructions on how to submit a nomination for this award.

DEADLINE March 30, 2012

2011 Recipient was David Schexnaydre from R.K. Smith Middle School
