## Forming the SAM Legislative Network 2019



From: Kirk Miller <samkm@sammt.org>
To: SAM Affiliate Board Members <e-lists>

Hi SAM Affiliate Board Members,

The SAM Delegate Assembly Steering Committee met today and agreed to a process for establishing the SAM Legislative Network for the 2019 legislative session (SAMLN19). Click <u>HERE</u> to see the description and responsibilities of the SAMLN19. You will read that the SAMLN19 is seeking regional representatives from each of the 6 SAM affiliates -- MASS, MAEMSP, MASSP, MACSS, MCASE and META, and is intended to be comprehensive in representing the issues of each affiliate in each region of the state -- thus giving SAM great communication abilities from broad representation across the state.

The process to seek members of the SAMLN19 begins with our SAM Affiliate Presidents, DA Steering Committee, and Regional Presidents/Directors taking responsibility to seek at least one SAMLN19 member from each Affiliate Region. So this email is to you to request your effort and support to do this. See the sample message below that you might use to get out to your Region and get our members to join the SAMLN19.

We are requesting that those interested complete the SAMLN19 membership form and submit by December XX. Following that, the SAM Delegate Assembly Steering Committee will review the list of those signed up to make sure we have all Affiliates and Regions covered. If not we will be coming back to you -- Presidents and Regional Presidents/Directors -- to solicit members from your Regions.

I will also be sending this "Call for Joining the SAMLN19" to all SAM members in the SAM Updates in December and in the SAM Bulletin for December, which goes out on December 1.

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SAMPLE Message you can send to members in your region...

## Calling all SAM Members to Join the SAM Legislative Network 2019 (SAMLN19)!

Are you interested in helping SAM promote our Advocacy Priorities in the 2019 Legislative Session? How about joining the team of SAM members who are committed to effectively communicate SAM legislative issues/bills and collecting input from your colleagues in your region to let your legislators know about appropriate stances on issues/bills during the session? Click <u>HERE</u> to see the description and responsibilities of the SAMLN19. We need you to help with this important part of advocating for the students served in our schools!

## For a SAM member to join the SAMLN19 click HERE!

Please sign up to so we can insure that educators' voice is clearly heard in the 2019 Legislative session.

Once you sign up, the SAMLN19 will be formed and we will train together to make this a pleasant experience for you using the tools SAM is creating to communicate effectively during the Legislative session.

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Thanks to each of you for your attention to this part of our advocacy work together. Contact me if you have questions!

Kirk