

PARSS eNews

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Dear PARSS Members,

Our annual PARSS conference is right around the corner. For those of you who are new -- and there are plenty of new school districts that have come into the fold this year -- I thank you for joining and welcome you to your first conference. I guarantee you'll benefit from meeting new colleagues, exchanging ideas, and picking up a few new tricks of the trade. The schedule of events will keep you busy, but we always build in plenty of opportunities to participate in the social activities planned.

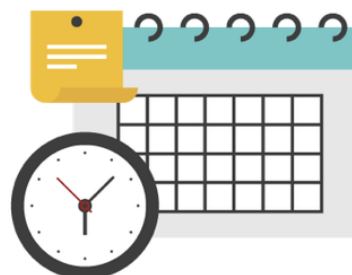
To the veteran attendees, I anticipate a lively reunion with ample time for education, discovery, and fellowship.

No matter when your school district became affiliated with PARSS, the organization strives to make you, your staff, and students successful. Planning this annual conference is just one of the ways we endeavor to serve. In addition to the all-star lineup of speakers on the agenda, you'll also benefit from the connections you make at the showcase of vendors who exhibit with us each year. I strongly urge you to visit them to assess their wares and services.

On behalf of Ashley, Joe, and Jon, I look forward to seeing you soon. Should you have questions or concerns beforehand, please be in touch.

Sincerely,
Edward Albert, Ed.D

*View the full Conference
Schedule **HERE!***



Friday's schedule has changed – review agenda for details.

*TIME IS
RUNNING
OUT!*



**Registration
CLOSES
April 1st!**

*Click here to register **NOW!***

DON'T MISS OUT!
Play in our Annual Golf Tournament

Register by April 1st - Email arednak@parss.org



Awards

Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams. There will be prizes for longest drive, closest to the pin, and straightest drive.

Scoring

Scoring and rules will be addressed by the Course Pro at the beginning of the tournament.

Check-In.....	11:00am
Lunch.....	11:30am
Shotgun Start.....	12:00pm
Awards Ceremony.....	6:00pm*

Awards will be given out at the Pre-Conference Social in the Garden Ballroom



🏈🍿 Get Ready For Some Exciting Events? 🍷🌮

TAILGATE PARTY!

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24 - 6PM



***Wear your favorite
jersey or your
school colors***



***Food, Drinks,
Games & Prizes***



You're Invited To A

Sips & Snacks Social

Thursday, April 25

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.







Exhibit Hall - Mountain View Ballroom

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Meet Pennsylvania's 2024 Teacher of the Year: Ashlie Crosson



Hello PARSS,

I'd like to take the opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Ashlie Crosson, and I am the 2024 Pennsylvania Teacher of the Year.

I am incredibly proud to be both an educator and graduate of a rural school; our communities are the heart of the commonwealth and the backbone of our workforce. In my new role, I am eager to work with PARSS to advocate for the needs and strengths of our students and our schools.

As Harrisburg continues to work through the Basic Education Funding Commission's reports, it is essential that we emphasize to our legislators the importance of bringing equity to our basic funding formula. In my personal conversations with lawmakers, at times it seems that they more

directly correlate this issue with urban districts, but those in rural areas know our schools are just as in need of the updates, resources, staffing, and programs augmented by adequate funding.

In the meantime, I know rural schools will continue to do what we've always done - make the most with what we've got. Our districts are guided by innovative leaders, and our schools are filled with remarkable young citizens. Through field trips, service projects, curriculum enrichment, local connections, and the tireless tenacity of its educators, rural communities provide students with the best of both worlds: a small-town childhood that nourishes students' big world dreams.

If there's anything I can do to better fulfill my responsibilities as PA's Teacher of the Year or to help you within your community, please feel free to contact me. You can reach me on Instagram @Miss.Crosson or through email at patoy2024@nstoypa.org.



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