



## Upcoming Events

**NASB Member Golf Outing**  
June 8 | Kearney

**School Law Seminar**  
June 8-9 | Kearney

**Legislative Lunch**  
June 28 | Norfolk

**Open Meetings Law Workshops**  
June 27 | Thayer Central  
July 11 | North Platte  
July 12 | Scottsbluff  
July 13 | Kearney  
July 18 | Lincoln  
July 19 | Blair  
July 20 | Norfolk

**NAEP Annual Meetings**  
July 12 | Gering  
July 13 | Kearney  
July 18 | Lincoln  
July 20 | Norfolk

**NASB Orientation**  
July 19 | Lincoln

**Area Membership Meetings**  
August 28 | Valentine  
August 29 | Gering  
August 30 | North Platte  
August 31 | Kearney  
September 13 | York  
September 20 | Norfolk  
September 27 | Fremont  
October 4 | Nebraska City  
October 11 | Omaha

## A New Era to Begin at Shelby-Rising City Schools

Story by Tyler Cavalli - Nebraska Rural Radio Network  
To view the full story, with audio and additional photos visit:  
<http://1049maxcountry.com/regional-news/audio-a-new-era-to-begin-at-shelby-rising-city-schools/>

A multi-year facility project at Shelby-Rising City Public School's is nearing an end. The school in Shelby is taking shape as construction crews put the finishing touches on a nearly \$15.5 million venture.

The school passed a \$15 million bond in March 2015 with a 73% approval rate from the community for various renovations and several additions.

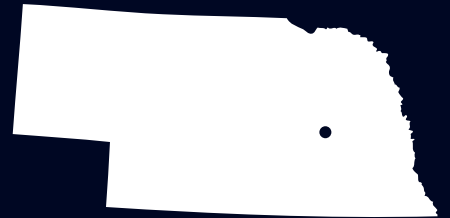
A main priority was to give elementary students and staff their own wing of the building. With the old layout, students were strung throughout the school that didn't allow cohesiveness among fellow students and staff. Superintendent Chip Kay says the new building allows students and teachers to flourish.

"Each elementary teacher has 990 square feet of instructional space, compared to most classes with around 600-700 square feet before."

The elementary addition officially opened in January.

Another big project includes a sports complex that will more than double the size of the current area. A college sized court will also allow for two full size courts on the side. Kay is thrilled for the potential, stating "We'll have a lot more space for competition. The current gym is cramped, students fly into walls or bleachers,

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## Shelby-Rising City Public Schools

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Enrollment = 405

[www.shelby.esu7.org](http://www.shelby.esu7.org)

NASB Region #10



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where now all of that is much more off-set allowing for a much safer situation.”

The new sports complex can hold 1,200 spectators. An aspiration of the administration is to one day hold NSAA postseason activities, ex. a district basketball game.

Already complete, but another chance for students to expand their learning is a new Ag Shop. With the new shop, the school can offer FFA, which was never previously offered.

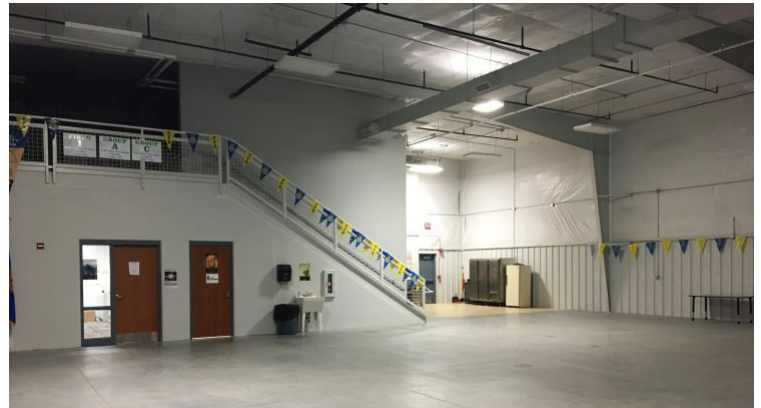
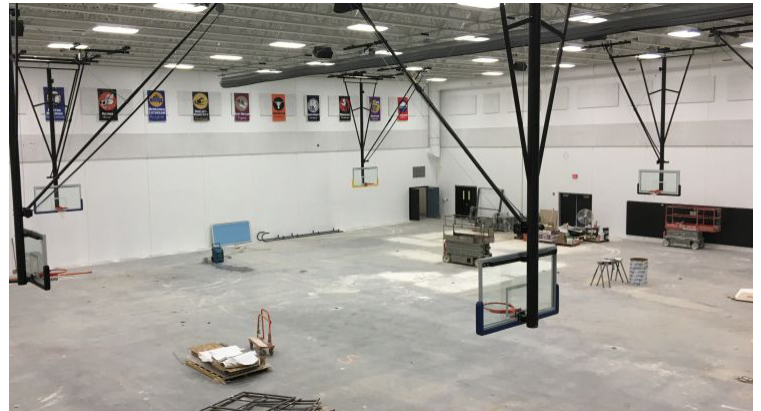
Of course with an expanded complex, the greater need for parking. Parking will be greatly enhanced and expanded along the premises.

The high school itself hasn't changed much, but all of the rooms did get face lifts. Starting this fall, the middle school students will move from the building in Rising City and join the high school and elementary students under one roof.

With all of the construction going on in and around the school, Kay says the community, faculty and students are all excited for the finished product. “The student body is really proud of what they have. The staff is as well. Everyone has some opportunities whether it is increased programs, or simply more space to do the things they want to do. Our communities are anxious to get into the fitness center. This building is going to be the pride and joy for Shelby-Rising City and our communities, simply because it is their facility. This will keep us a viable district in the area for a long time.”

Other projects that Shelby-Rising City has seen under Kay's supervision include a new AstroTurf football field, complete with a full track, along with several behind the scenes projects. Kay says next spring they will host their first track meet.

When it's all said and done, Kay says the project will be closer to the \$15.5 million mark. He expects a completion date anytime after June 1. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held Aug. 17.



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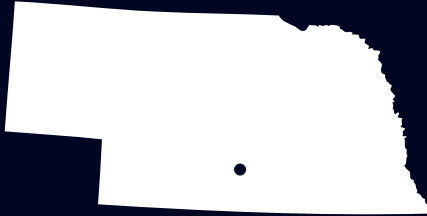
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Enrollment = 5,404

NASB Region #13

[www.kearneypublicschools.org](http://www.kearneypublicschools.org)

Following a year of observation, assessment, and planning by the new superintendent, NASB initiated data collection to support the Kearney Public Schools Strategic Planning process on behalf of the KPS Board of Education and Superintendent Dr. Kent Edwards. This important endeavor will result in an actionable plan that aligns to the mission and vision of the school district.

To ensure a comprehensive and collaborative process, the board/superintendent have committed to engaging an extensive group of community stakeholders to contribute to the discussion of needs and future growth of KPS.

Stakeholders involved include, but will not be limited to Middle and High School students, staff, parents, community members, and business leaders.

The Strategic Overview Committee (SOC), a diverse representation of internal and external stakeholders, is collaborating with district leadership to identify KPS's priorities, goals, and outcomes.

Following the development and adoption of the KPS Strategic Plan, the board and superintendent will re-engage staff and community members to present the mission, vision, and goals designed to progress student learning and achievement in Kearney Public Schools.



“Marcia Herring (NASB’s Director of Board Leadership), led a community feedback session to gain valid information on the successes and challenges of Kearney Public Schools, along with input on aligning the goals and needs of the Kearney community directly with the goals and actions of Kearney Public Schools. I was very impressed with the community members in attendance. They come from a variety of backgrounds and experiences, and willingly shared candid remarks, reflections, and recommendations to us. This strong community support for our students’ educational success is an irreplaceable benefit to Kearney Public Schools as we develop our strategic plan.”

- Angela Nickel - KPS Board of Education

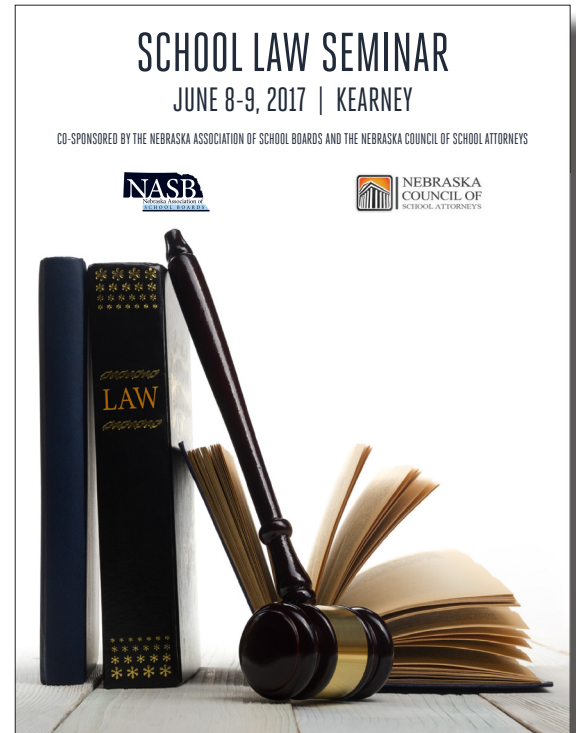
This annual conference is targeted at school board members, superintendents, ESU administrators, principals and lawyers across Nebraska. Thursday evening, meet and greet your peers at the exhibitor reception from 6:00 to 7:30 PM, followed by a hospitality suite. Friday sessions begin at 8:00 AM.

This year's topics include:

- Legislative Update | Brian Halstead, NDE
- Copyright Laws, Creative Commons Licensing, and the Creation of Free Textbooks | Ken Fossen
- Better Watch Your Step - A Procedural Primer for the Nebraska Student Discipline Act | Nicholas Lesiak
- Student Data Privacy | Timothy Malm & Cindy Volkmer
- Special Ed after the 2016-17 Court Term | Tim Thompson & Bobby Truhe
- Managing Off Campus Conduct - Students & Staff | Susan Sapp
- Recent Open Meetings and Records Request Issues | Jim Gessford & Justin Knight
- Injured and Ill Employees | Greg Perry & Josh Schauer
- Immigration Issues in K-12 Schools | Emma Savory & Kara Stockdale
- Effective Communication: Navigating the Intersection of Section 504, the ADA and the IDEA | Karen Haase

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**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 2**



## ANNUAL NASB MEMBER GOLF OUTING JUNE 8 | KEARNEY COUNTRY CLUB

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## BE HEARD! --- CALL FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

While the session is not quite finished, now is the time for you and your board to think of items you might like addressed in 2018. Submit your legislative proposals now at:

<http://www.nasbonline.org/registrations/ProposedResolution.aspx>

*As a board member, an elected official, and a community leader, you are in an excellent position to educate and influence the legislative process.*

From now until July 1, you have the opportunity to be heard and submit a topic you would like discussed at this summer's NASB Legislative Committee meeting, to then be drafted and introduced as future legislation. If you have a topic in mind, or would like assistance getting the ball rolling, please let Matt Belka or Matt Dunning know.



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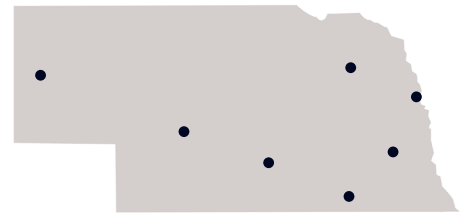
Join NASB, as we pack up the car and tour the state for various workshops, meetings and events throughout the summer.

To learn more, and register for all, visit the Events tab of [www.NASBonline.org](http://www.NASBonline.org)



## Open Meetings Law Workshops

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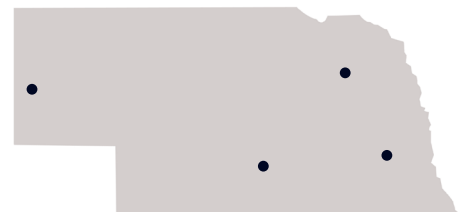


Nebraska law requires that all public bodies comply with the Open Meetings Act, which includes detailed requirements regarding Notices of Meetings, Agendas, Minutes, Closed Sessions, Special and Emergency Meetings and Public Comment. Matthew Dunning, NASB's Legal Counsel and members of the Nebraska Council of School Attorneys will conduct these workshops, including an interactive analysis of factual scenarios based on Attorney General disposition letters and questions received by the NASB. Questions and discussion are encouraged! The Workshops are sponsored by Sparq Data Solutions.



## NAEP Annual Workshops

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The NAEP Annual Workshops occur each July in four regional locations. These daylong workshops consist of hot topics, and more. Features this year include Region Officer Elections; Hot Topics for Bookkeepers and Business Managers; Do you have a messy desk?; Protocol and Procedure in the Board Room; Elevate Your Skills Through EXCEL Training Made Easy!; NAEP Workflow; and SPARQ Meeting Training. The suggested audience includes: Administrative Assistants, Secretaries, Bookkeepers, Business Managers and Superintendents.

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