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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Patricia I. Wright, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: 86th Annual Virginia Middle and High School Principals Conference & Exposition, June 23-26, 2013

The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) and the Virginia Association of Secondary School Principals (VASSP) are pleased to announce that the annual Virginia Middle and High School Principals Conference & Exposition again will be held June 23 – 26, 2013, at The Homestead Resort, 7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs, Virginia. This annual statewide event has been sponsored jointly by VDOE and VASSP every year since 1927. The purpose of the state conference is to develop and enhance middle and high school administrators' leadership skills, increase their understanding of current educational issues, and expand their knowledge base for success.

The theme of this year's conference is "**Leadership – Shaping Successful Solutions.**" Conference sessions will focus on instructional leadership, academic accountability, teacher and principal evaluations, best practices, educational policy, teacher quality, school management, school law, and community involvement/partnerships.

The conference will address other pertinent topics identified in the *2013 Principals Needs Assessment Form* ([Attachment A](#)). To further assist the conference planners, please complete and return this form no later than March 1, 2013. You and your staff are also invited to submit the *2013 Call for Presentations Form* ([Attachment B](#)) to be considered for inclusion in the conference program. The presentation form must be returned by April 1, 2013.

Please mail your forms to Summer Conference Committee, VASSP, 4909 Cutshaw Avenue, Richmond, Virginia 23230. The VASSP office will mail the completed program, registration information, and hotel accommodation forms to division superintendents and to all middle level high school administrators in early April. If you have questions about the conference, please call VASSP at 804-355-2777.

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Attachments:

- a. [2013 Principals Needs Assessment Form](#) (Word)
- b. [2013 Call for Presentations Form](#) (Word)

