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Winter Newsletter 2014



"North Dakota's Professional Organization
for Kindergarten Teachers"

President's Note:

A big "Thank-You" goes out to the Bismarck Kindergarten team for a very successful turnout at NDKA's 2013 Fall Conference. It is great to be a part of such a dedicated group.

Donna Whyte filled our idea buckets with activities and strategies to take back into our classrooms. Thank you for trusting us with a new conference format with a "Make-N-Take" afternoon. We have never done that before and we are glad you participated with us.

The Minot K-Team and NDKA are excited for the 2014 Fall Conference.

14th Annual NDKA Conference

Keynote: Deanna Jump
Minot, ND
September 27, 2014

Every year we welcome kindergarten teachers from across North Dakota to join together for a fun weekend. We also want to put a "shout-out" to any pre-school, 1st Grade teachers, Title 1, Reading Strategists, Interventionists, or Principals. We are all a part of the early childhood team and want to welcome others to join in our professional development. Make sure to ask your co-workers if they would be interested in an awesome experience.

I may be a little bias, but I feel this is the BEST conference you will ever attend! Feel free to share the registration information in this newsletter.

I hope to see you next Fall in Minot.

Missy Vollmers
NDKA President

September 27, 2014

14th Annual NDKA Conference



2014

Minot K - teachers are waiting for you!
Erik Ramstad Middle School
1215 36th Ave. NW
Minot, ND

\$5.00 Membership

by: Amy Neal
NDKA Treasurer

If you are unable to attend the yearly conference, I would like to encourage kindergarten teachers across the state to consider continuing their \$5.00 Membership Fee (as seen on the registration).

The \$5.00 Membership is used for running the association business: postage, website, two phone conferences, NKA yearly dues, and board duties.

The actual fall conferences are completely funded only by the participants that attend. Your conference registration helps fund the keynote speaker, air travel (ugh), food (yum), building fees, and conference supplies.

The goal of NDKA is to continue running association business with \$5.00 membership dues while providing national keynote speakers with conference registration fees.

Please consider continuing your \$5.00 membership if you cannot make it...but of course, we hope to see you!

[WWW.NDKA.COM](http://www.ndka.com)

Take a look at the updated NDKA website. Hope you like the layout and we would love any suggestions from you!

Exhibitors:

If you are someone or know someone who would like to be an exhibitor at the NDKA conference, please print out the "Exhibitor Registration Form" from our website www.ndka.com and send to:

Shila Wahlstrom
520 25th Street SE
Minot, ND 58701
email:
shila.wahlstrom@gmail.com

Erik Ramstad Middle School:

1215 36th Ave. NW
Minot, ND

The Minot K-Team is excited and honored to show off "THE NEW" Erik Ramstad Middle School for our state-wide conference.

During the 2011 Minot Flood, the original Erik Ramstad was completely flooded with water (literally) up to the roof. The entire building and all teacher materials were destroyed with no option to save anything. In addition to the loss of the school, many of the teachers from Ramstad had lost their own homes and personal belongings during the flood.

FEMA funding was available for Ramstad to be rebuilt in the exact same location of the flood. Minot Public Schools made a decision to go against the FEMA recommendation and chose higher ground for "THE NEW" Erik Ramstad. It is this Northwest location in Minot that we are so excited to invite you to.

The school has been built in a location of Minot that still does not show up on Google Maps, but we will have a map posted on our

Keynote Speaker

Deanna Jump

[http://
mrsjumpsclass.blogspot.com/](http://mrsjumpsclass.blogspot.com/)

Deanna Jump is an award winning teacher. She has taught Kindergarten and first grade for 18 years and holds an Ed Specialist Degree in Early Literacy & Reading. Deanna has a passion for creating and sharing grade level appropriate units and activities that incorporate the Common Core Standards and make learning fun. She is the #1 seller for Teachers-Pay-Teacher and has been featured on CNN News, CBS this Morning, and the Steve Harvey Show.

THE BRAIN THRIVES ON
CONNECTIONS...

Deanna believes that in order to be avid readers, we need to use high quality children's literature in our classrooms. She is a "master" at integrating math, reading, science, and social studies into thematic units that have a literature anchor in them.

Her creations are for immediate use in your classroom. The concepts are appropriate (yet rigorous) for kindergarten students. She embraces the Common Core standards and knows students can be successful when connections are made. You will not want to miss Deanna Jump in Minot!!

**14th Annual
NDKA Conference**

hosted by:
Minot K-Teachers

When: Saturday, September 27th
8:00 am - 3:00 pm

(Refreshments & lunch included with registration.)

Where: Erik Ramstad Middle School
1215 36th Ave. NW
Minot, ND

Mail Check & Registration form to:

NDKA Membership
Mistie Holland
201 Cottonwood Drive
Casselton, ND 58012
phone: 701-281-9453
email: mistie.holland@sendit.nodak.edu

**Due !!
Sept. 15th**

Make checks payable: NDKA

*Membership runs from fall conference to fall conference. You will receive an email confirmation when your registration is received.

NDKA "blocked" Hotel Accommodations:

Four Points by Sheraton * (701) 838-5200

Country Inn & Suites * (701) 837-1900

La Quinta * (701) 837-7900

More hotels: <http://visitminot.org/sleep/>

*(Rooms are blocked until Aug. 27th, 2014- tell them you are with "ND Kindergarten Association")
Get your rooms booked in advance so you have a place to rest up!*

Registration & Membership Form - - (Please Print Clearly)

14th Annual NDKA Conference

Saturday, September 27th, 2014 * Minot, North Dakota

**Due:
Sept.15th**

Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Home Address: _____ City & Zip _____

District/Town: _____ School Phone: _____

Please check one: conference registration - \$ 40 membership only - \$ 5

College Student - \$15: Institution _____

e-mail address: _____



May we add your email address to the ND K-LISTSERV? yes no on-list already

Preschool Teachers - Do you need a certificate for proof of attendance? YES (or) NO

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Current Kindergarten Teacher (or)



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Erik Ramstad Middle School
Minot, North Dakota

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