

# MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS ASSOCIATION

## Newsletter Information

### Instructions for Recipients of NASP Travel Grants from MSPA

MSPA's NASP Travel Grant recipients are required to submit an article for the MSPA Newsletter. MSPA's communication with members highlight MSPA activities and important issues in the field of psychology, through monthly notices, and also through the MSPA Newsletter.

Articles included in the newsletter are intended to:

- 1) advance members practices;
- 2) expand member's knowledge of 'happenings' in our state and field; and
- 3) announce opportunities for continuing professional development and the work of the Association.

Your article should therefore reflect pertinent information that will help members improve their practice, *learn something new*, or detail information about implementation of new practices. Accordingly, please submit a **professional article in APA style** (remember to include doi numbers in your references so articles will be easy for members to access).

One way to meet these objectives is to describe your specific NASP presentation *in appropriate detail*, so that members can learn from your experiences and your work. However, this is not the only way to meet the requirements. You may choose to write about something other than your presentation – such as a practice you have found to work in your school, or a study you have completed.

Indeed, articles should be *more than an abstract, more than a description of your activities in the convention city, and more than a short summary*. This does not meet the requirements of the grant. **Please do not send a friendly article describing your trip** if your submission is associated with the travel grant.

We continually seek articles beyond NASP presentations; we sincerely welcome submissions at other times, and for professionally written articles (not associated with the travel grant), PDPs may be awarded. Please be advised that *all submissions will be edited for clarity*. We appreciate the efforts of members to contribute to the newsletter and to our Association.

Thank you for your efforts to support all of our members by writing for the newsletter,

Gayle Macklem, Newsletter Editor