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MassCUE News: December 2023

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Hello MassCUE Community,

As the end of the year approaches, we are excited for some of the new things MassCUE has planned for 2024!

- We are partnering with Bridgewater State University to offer some <u>exciting</u> new <u>graduate study opportunities</u>.
- We are in the process of planning our Winter CUECamp, stay tuned for details on an in-person AND virtual option.
- We continue to add new districts to our BC→DE program. You can sign up any time <u>here!</u>
- Our Corporate Partner Showcase will be held on March 12th at Gillette Stadium. Stay tuned for FREE registration information.
- Our <u>Spring Conference</u> Request for Proposals will be out SOON. We are also excited to offer office hours for anyone considering submitting a proposal for the first time!

Lastly, we are excited to welcome two new Corporate Partners! Please join us in welcoming <u>JourneyEd</u> and <u>Talk2Em</u> to the MassCUE Partner Program. You can learn more about all of our partners <u>here</u>.

Hoping you all enjoy the holiday season, and close out the year smoothly.

All the best,

Savvy Demers and the MassCUE Team

Earn Graduate Credits



MassCUE is teaming up with Bridgewater State University to offer graduate credit opportunities for members.

Come meet the team behind the MassCUE/BSU partnership and learn more about ways to earn graduate credit.

Virtual Information Session Thursday, December 7 6:00-7:00pm



Topics in Instructional Technology: Instructional Coaching

MassCUE Professional Learning and Program Coordinator and Instructional Coach Jen Thomas is leading a 3-credit course for educators interested in learning the skills and strategies needed to become an instructional coach. Registration open now. **Learn more.**

Fall Conference 2023 Graduate Credit

Submit your final project by December 21, 2023 to earn graduate credit for attending the MassCUE Fall Conference. Visit the **BSU website** for more information

Questions? Contact <u>MassCUE Professional Learning and Program</u> Coordinator Jen Thomas.

Now Hiring: Professional Learning Instructor



Are you looking for a new professional challenge? MassCUE is seeking an excited, creative, and motivated educator who can develop and expand our professional development offerings. Visit our website to learn more and apply. Applications accepted until December 10, 2023.

December Featured Educator





Liane Kendall

Congratulations to our December Featured Educator, Liane Kendall!

She's a computer science champion who makes learning fun for her students at the Brookings Elementary School in Springfield.

Learn more.

Classroom Grants for Busy Educators



MassCUE Classroom Grants are specially designed for busy educators! It's easier than you think to apply for up to \$3,000 in funding for your innovative idea for students. Don't wait to apply! Applications open now through December 11, 2023.

Learn more.

Corporate Partner News





Gaggle continues to serve as the industry leader in helping K-12 districts manage student safety on school-provided technology. They support school districts in proactively identifying students who are struggling and provide tools and services to better meet their needs.

Learn more



Pro AV Systems is New England's Leading Audio Visual Integrator - specializing in design, installation and service of all your AV needs. They represent the leading educational brands, like Epson, Clear Touch, Lumens and Promethean, and fully support our customers who integrate those products.

Learn more

Group Buys: Discounts for MassCUE Members



Get discounts on Adobe Creative Cloud K-12 site subscriptions, Virtual Reality (VR) Classroom Packs and more from JourneyEd. Learn how your district can save on this and other **Group Buys on our website**.



MassCUE members are eligible for a discount on the standards-aligned board game, Gamestormers from GamestormEDU. Learn how your district can save on this and other **Group Buys on our website**.

Influence and Advocacy Committee Update



The Influence and Advocacy
Committee would like to share the
following update. The MA Joint
Committee on Education met on
October 30, 2023 to hold a hearing on
bills that included technology and
data These included:

- H.530/S.343 An Act establishing an education-to-career data center
- S.316 An Act relative to best management practices for wireless in schools and public institutions of higher education
- H.532/S.280 An Act relative to student and educator data privacy
- H.609 An Act to expand virtual school eligibility for school choice students

Please consider <u>watching the recording</u> of the hearing to learn more about these important topics.

Want to get involved with the Influence and Advocacy Committee? Email Colleen Terrill or Karen Winsper for information on how to share your voice in advocacy.

Special Interest Group (SIG) Update



MassCUE SIGs offer educators opportunities to connect and support one another in an area of interest or region. Joining a SIG is a great way to get to know others in your area and learn together.

Makerspace & STEM: Makerspace tutorials and book recommendations are the latest topics trending in the Makerspace & STEM SIG Facebook Group. Join the conversation! Request an invitation by emailing **Heidi MacGregor**.

Southeast, Cape & Islands Technology Team (SCITT): Wyebot Lunch & Learn in person in Pembroke, December 8 at 10:00.

Technology Integration: Virtual meeting on Wednesday, December 13 at 10:00am.

For more information on our active SIGs and how you can join, <u>visit our</u> website.

Have questions or want to start a SIG of your own? **Email SIG Coordinator Sarah Boyle**.

Educator Resources



Receive PDPs and fulfill MA recertification requirements for **FREE** with your MassCUE Membership using Infobase Learning Cloud.

This online professional learning system is designed to meet the needs of today's schools with short videos as well as self-paced workshops.

Learn more











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