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# MassCUE

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## MassCUE News: **June 2023**

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## A Message from our Executive Director

Greetings, Valued MassCUE Community!

We have so many exciting upcoming events to report. We are excited to host MassCUE members to be our guest for the MassCUE Annual General Meeting and dinner. This event will be held on June 13th at 5:00 PM, at Gillette Stadium's Optum Lounge. [Members can register here](#) for a cocktail hour, followed by a MassCUE presentation and dinner. We are also excited to have posted a position for a [full time corporate liaison](#). The deadline for applications is June 7th, so please share with your networks. We are also excited to launch [BC→DE: Building Capacity through Digital Equity](#), a 20-hour personalized and customizable professional learning opportunity for all educators, everywhere. This program was built in collaboration with our friends at the [Collaborative for Educational Services](#), and a grant for capacity building provided by DESE. Lastly, we are excited to be offering a summer webinar series, [Webinar Wednesdays](#). This engaging four-week program will take place every Wednesday, offering an exploration of essential topics surrounding digital citizenship in the modern classroom.

I also have updates on our equity campaign. We have added equity to our RFP rubric for evaluation purposes, and are excited to contact presenters later this month. We have also incorporated equity into our summer web series, as well as other exciting events we will be announcing this month!

We know that equity requires action, and as such have planned a year's worth of action steps to ensure we are progressing in our campaign. Our May action steps are as follows:

1. Continue to add equity as a theme to our summer and fall PD offerings
2. Share information about the progress of our Capacity Building through Digital Equity grant funded by DESE
3. Fund our equity audit for a summer start date

We hope to see you at attendance at our [Annual Meeting](#) on June 13th!

In gratitude,



Savvy Demers  
Executive Director



# Annual General Meeting | June 13, 2023

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## Please Join Us

Help MassCUE celebrate the past year and plan for what's next at our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, June 13th at 5:00pm. Dinner and socializing will be followed by a quick meeting in the new Optum Lounge at Gillette Stadium. This free event is open to all MassCUE members. Registration required. [Learn more.](#)



## Now Hiring: Corporate Liaison

MassCUE is seeking an excited, creative, and motivated educator who can develop and expand our corporate partnerships and sponsorships. We recently revised our corporate partner structure, opening up avenues for more corporations to both partner with our organization and sponsor MassCUE programming. This position will assist the Executive Director in maintaining and expanding these partnerships and sponsorships and find other avenues for collaboration. [Learn more.](#)

## Featured Educator | MassCUE



### June Featured Educator: Eric Gervais

He's an EdTech cheerleader for his students! Learn more about our June MassCUE Featured Educator, Eric Gervais and his innovative approach with his grades 3-6 students in Millbury. [Read More](#)



## Award Nominations Open

Do you know an exceptional educator who has made an impact in the field of educational technology? A current or former colleague who serves as a leader and an inspiration to others in their

classroom, school or district? Nominate them for an Administrator or a Pathfinder award! Nominations are being accepted now for these awards, which are given out during the MassCUE Fall Conference in October. [Learn more.](#)

**Nomination deadline: June 16, 2023.**

## MassCUE President-Elect Wins ISTE Award



MassCUE President-Elect Heidi MacGregor is among the educators who will be honored with the ISTE 20 to Watch award, which recognizes 20 educators from across the country who have exemplified excellence through projects and artifacts that others can replicate. [Learn more.](#)



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Lastly, WCA appreciates the opportunity to be able to assist you in making your technology decisions. We understand that this is a daunting task and hope that we make this process a bit easier. Having had the privilege delivering on similar projects for a myriad of entities, we are confident we can offer you a quality product with top-notch service. We view every opportunity as a starting point from which Whalley Computer Associates and our clients can work together to build the perfect solution to fit your needs.



Influence and Advocacy  
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## EdTech Advocacy and Policy Fly-in

The Ed Tech Advocacy and Policy Fly-In took place in Washington, DC on May 1-2, 2023. Colleen Terrill, Jenn Judkins, Karen Winsper and Kirsten Prinn from the MassCUE Influence & Advocacy Committee attended the event where they met with legislators and fellow advocates from across the country.

During the event, our MassCUE representatives attended presentations by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and Office of Educational Technology (OET). They also met with staff members from Senator Markey and Senator Warren's offices to discuss the future of the E-rate, student data privacy, ed tech appropriations, cybersecurity, digital citizenship, educator professional development, and addressing the homework gap.

More information on discussion topics can be found at the links below:

[Homework Gap](#)

[Cybersecurity](#)

[Every Student Succeeds Act \(ESSA\) Title II-A](#)

[Student Data Privacy](#)

[Every Student Succeeds Act \(ESSA\) Title II-A](#)

Email [Heidi MacGregor](#) or [Colleen Terrill](#) for information on how to share your voice in advocacy and get involved with the MassCUE I&A Committee.

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MassCUE SIGs are wrapping up their meeting schedules for the summer. Watch our website to learn more about meeting schedules heading in to the fall.

**Inclusive Learning** - Many thanks to the organizers and attendees of the pop-up Accessibility Workshop with Apple last month. [Visit our website for additional resources from this event.](#)

**Technology Integration** - Will hold a virtual meeting on June 7th from 10:00-11:00am.

[Learn more about our SIGs](#)



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## Big Deal Book of Technology Newsletter

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The Big Deal Book newsletter will give you great ideas for your classroom.

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