## MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF PUPIL TRANSPORTATION



## INVITES YOU TO ATTEND OUR

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022

#### IN-PERSON PROGRAM MEETING

Location: Holiday Inn, 31 Hampshire Street, Mansfield, MA

Time: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Your Board of Directors is excited to welcome you to our first in-person meeting since January 16, 2020!

Please be assured that the Holiday Inn is following all State, Local and Federal guidelines around COVID 19 protocols. We are maintaining smaller tables spaced apart, and recommend the use of masks while moving about. For more information on the Holiday Inn's commitment to cleanliness click here

MAPT will continue to monitor the COVID 19 situation and may make the call to conduct a remote Zoom meeting if necessary, on January 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM. A Zoom link will be sent out to registered participants.

If we have to cancel for a State Emergency due to weather the meeting will be re-scheduled to March 23, 2022.

# Strategies and Interventions for Managing Challenging Student Behaviors on School Transportation

We are excited to welcome Ms. Trish Costa, **MS LMHC/School Adjustment Counselor MS LMHC/School Adjustment Counselor**. She has worked for the LABBB Collaborative for the past 32 years. She specializes in counseling services, crisis intervention and psychoeducational training. Trish has extensive experience working with students with various challenges including PTSD/trauma, mood disorder, ADHD, psychotic disorders, reactive detachment disorder and autism. Trish uses a variety of modalities and interventions based on Cognitive Behavioral Therapy. She also provides program wide staff education and training and consult services as a liaison among school, family and community resources.

Transporting individuals with disabilities is a daily challenge. One area that requires increased attention and skill is discipline or behavioral management when students present with challenging/disruptive behaviors. This presentation will cover the following topics:

- Understanding disabilities and how they may present cognitively, socially, emotionally and behaviorally.
- Understanding behavior and misbehavior
- Setting the tone.
  - o Van/bus rules and expectations
- Pro-active collaboration/communication with school programs and staff.
- Strategies and interventions to prevent and manage challenging behaviors.
- Duty to warn.
  - o Role of a mandated reporter.
- Scenarios to discuss and learn from
- Self-care

Updates will be provided from the Registry of Motor Vehicles, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and Safe Routes to School.

## **Holiday Inn - Mansfield**

#### Wednesday, January 26, 2022

8:30 – 9:30 Registration/Networking – Hot Breakfast

9:30 – 10:30 Opening Remarks

Welcome: Colleen Cavanaugh

President Greeting: Drew Damien

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education: Anne Marie Stronach

Registry of Motor Vehicles: Margaret Rohanna

Safe Routes to School: Judith Crocker

10:45 – 12:00 Strategies and Interventions for Challenging Behaviors: Trish Costa, MS LMHC

Registration is mandatory to ensure your meal reservation and materials.

Cost MAPT Members \$ 0.00

**GUESTS** are welcome and will be charged a fee of \$75 dollars.

Registration information can be found on our website, <a href="www.mapt.us">www.mapt.us</a> under Announcements.

If you need to cancel please notify MAPT at <a href="maptmembership@gmail.com">maptmembership@gmail.com</a> no later than January 19, 2022 so we can adjust our food counts.

Thank you!