



# INFORMATION ALERT

August 2015

## OCTOBER-NOVEMBER EVENTS

### **Special Meeting New SED Commissioner MaryEllen Elia Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> 11:30 am-2 pm**

The SCSSA and the Nassau County Council of School Superintendents will welcome the new Commissioner of Education, MaryEllen Elia to Long Island on Friday, October 9, 2015. The Commissioner will join us at a joint meeting of the two groups at the Western Suffolk BOCES Conference Center (31 Lee Avenue, Wheatley Heights) from 11:30 am to 2 pm. The Commissioner is facing many issues that impact us on both an immediate and long-term basis. The session will offer you the opportunity to hear her plans, priorities, and ideas at this critical time. To register, please confirm your attendance by sending an email to Gary Bixhorn at [scssaexecdirector@gmail.com](mailto:scssaexecdirector@gmail.com) by October 2, 2015. **We need an accurate head count for this event so please register as soon as possible.**

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### **Professional Development Workshop With Ray Jorgensen Friday November 6<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am-3 pm**

During these challenging times the SCSSA is especially sensitive to the importance of supporting the superintendency as a profession for both the benefit of public education and our membership. To this end, we have scheduled a full day workshop dedicated to the development and improvement of skills to help our members lead in this difficult environment. The workshop will be held on November 6<sup>th</sup> at the Wind Watch Golf and Country Club from 8:30 am to 3 pm. Attendees will learn techniques from a skilled facilitator, Ray Jorgensen, and then participate as Ray demonstrates the use of the skills to address the issues we encounter on a daily basis. This session will focus on communications and problem solving. We hope you will join us. To confirm your attendance email Gary Bixhorn at [scssaexecdirector@gmail.com](mailto:scssaexecdirector@gmail.com) by October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2015.