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## Fwd: Happy New Year! Don't forget...

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ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS RURAL AND SMALL SCHOOLS

COMMITTED TO THE RURAL ADVANTAGE



# Happy 2020!

Welcome back; we hope you had a fantastic winter break. We are excited to continue working on your behalf in the new year.

## Membership Renewal



**Membership Information**  
**Forms for 2020 are available**  
**now.** Visit our website to download  
one today.



## I Am A Rural Teacher

Watch for more information about this exciting project in partnership with the Rural Schools Collaborative. Make sure to follow the Facebook pages for both the national and Illinois affiliate campaigns.

## Why Support AIRSS?

As a member, all work is on behalf of all members and the strength of our advocacy is in its numbers. Over 500 schools are defined rural in Illinois. The majority of these reside in rural and small areas of Illinois, and approximately 300 are REAP eligible and receive funding. Nearly 500,000 children attend a small and rural school in Illinois.

In 2020, AIRSS will be watching and working on a number of issues affecting our schools, critical items include:

- Commission for Rural Education
- Teacher Shortages

- School Funding (under the new funding formula reform act)

The collective strength of AIRSS voice is in the individual strength of our rural and small schools. Together we can protect, support and enhance our rural schools.

# Thank you!



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