## **Press Release**



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## AASP-MN Adds Additional Venue for 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Race for Automotive Education

The Alliance of Automotive Service Providers, Minnesota (AASP-MN) is pleased to announce that the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual *Race for Automotive Education* is planned for January 9, 10 & 11, 2018. The event serves as the primary fundraiser for the AASP-MN Automotive Education Fund, which provides financial resources to support automotive students, enhance automotive programs and raise awareness of career opportunities in the automotive service industry

The event will return to ProKart Indoor Racing in Burnsville on January 9 & 10. A new, second venue has been added for a third night of racing on January 11 to make it more convenient for members located in the northern Twin Cities area to participate. That race will take place at MB2 Racing in Fridley, a new facility featuring all-electric karts that reach up to 45 miles per hour.

AASP-MN members and other industry supporters will organize teams to compete, have some fun and raise money for a good cause. When the final checkered flag waves, the *Race for Automotive Education* is expected to raise over \$11,000. The majority of that money is earmarked to fund scholarships for first and second year students enrolled in NATEF-certified automotive program (collision or mechanical) in the state of Minnesota. Scholarship awards will distributed in the fall of 2018.

Since its inception, the fund has disbursed nearly \$210,000 directly to students enrolled in automotive programs through the association's scholarship program and Skills USA competition.

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