

UPDATE

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Pay Issues

There continues to be issues with pay regarding training attendance. The SBTA leadership has worked diligently with the district to correct this oversight. Because of this, the district has formed a task force that has looked at streamlining the process so that everyone will get paid in a more timely manner. The district assures me that the process is now in place to do so.

Those of you that attended training for SB472 in the Months of September, October, and November will be paid on January 15, 2010 and interest will be included. If you attended the weeklong training during your off-track or vacation time, then you will be paid for 40 hours at the hourly rate. If you attended training during your regular work time, then you will be paid for 10 hours for the weeklong training to compensate for the extra hours and homework expectation. Those of you that attended other trainings should also be receiving pay on January 15, 2010, if eligible. If there continues to be an issue with your pay, call me.

NEA/RA

NEA will hold its annual Representative Assembly (RA) June 30 - July 7, 2010 in New Orleans, Louisiana. At this assembly, representatives from all over the country come together to decide on policy in which the NEA will work under for the following year. NEA looks at and lobbies for federal legislation such as ESEA (also known as NCLB) that affect public education and public education employees.

All members of NEA/CTA/SBTA are eligible to run for the position of "Delegates" which is the official term for the representatives at the NEA/RA. There are two kinds of Delegates, local (SBTA) delegates and state (CTA) delegates. The difference is who pays for your expenses. Candidacy forms have been collected for local delegates and that option is now closed. However, you can still put your candidacy form in for State Delegate. The form is on the back of this update. The forms need to be turned in to San Gorgonio Service Center Council by January 29, 2010. You can mail it in to San Gorgonio Service Center Council, 735 Carnegie Dr., Ste. 240, San Bernardino, CA 92408. Or you can fax it to them at 909-890-2461.

In order to be a Delegate, you need to be elected. The election will take place later this year for both local and state delegates. The state delegate election is an online election.

Free Trainings

The San Gorgonio Service Center Council is offering free trainings on Saturday, January 23. The trainings will take place simultaneously from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM. You can choose to attend any of the following trainings: Advanced Grievance, Elections, and KEYS 2.0? What's That? If you would like to take advantage of these trainings, just show up at 8:30 AM for registration and breakfast. There is no charge for the trainings or breakfast. This will take place at Colonel Mitchell Paige Middle School, 43-495 Palm Royale, La Quinta, CA 92253. Due to the distance, see me about mileage reimbursement.

Declaration of Candidacy

For **State Delegate** to the 2010 NEA Convention in New Orleans, LA

Name _____ () _____
Day phone
Address _____ () _____
Home phone
City, Zip _____ Social Security Number _____
E-mail _____ Gender: M F
I am a member of: CTA NEA _____
Chapter

Category:

- NEA Active (Non-Supervisory) Member (including Education Support Professionals)**
Send directly to your Service Center Council (see addresses on page 36).
- Higher Education Member (eligible to be in bargaining unit)**
Send to Community College Association, 4100 Truxel Rd., Sacramento, CA 95834.
- CTA/NEA-R Member (must be member of NEA-Retired)**
Send to CTA, P.O. Box 4156, Burlingame, CA 94011-4156.
- Student NEA**
Send to Student CTA Office, CTA, P.O. Box 921, Burlingame, CA 94011-0921.

Ethnic Grouping, Other Information:

I am: American Indian/Alaska Native Caucasian Hispanic
 African American Asian Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

I am a candidate for a local delegate position also. Yes No

If yes and I am elected to both state and local delegate positions, please check one:

- I will be a state delegate. I will be a local delegate.
- I will inform the Service Center Council of my choice.

Name _____

Service Center Council _____

Please give a brief biographical sketch of no more than 25 words. (If more words are used, the information that accompanies ballots will include only the first 25 words.) If you wish your ethnic grouping to be listed, this will not count as part of the 25-word limitation.

Signed _____

THIS FORM MUST BE FILED NO LATER THAN 5 p.m. on Jan. 29, 2010, at the office listed above. Candidates are urged to return this form by certified mail in order to get a receipt and ensure compliance with the deadline. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that this document is received by the due date and time.

Duties of delegates to Rep Assembly in New Orleans

1. Each delegate will be expected to arrive in New Orleans in time to ensure registering as an official delegate to the Representative Assembly (RA) with both the California delegation and NEA.

2. Each delegate will be expected to attend all caucuses of the California delegation. Normally the caucus begins at 7 a.m. daily. Delegates must be registered with the California delegation to participate in the caucus. Delegates are expected to remain through the convention.

3. Each delegate shall attend all business meetings of the RA.

4. Each delegate is strongly encouraged to attend NEA budget committee hearings, resolutions committee hearings, bylaw committee hearings, speeches by prominent national figures, etc.

5. Each delegate should take into consideration CTA State Council and caucus policy when voting.

6. Each delegate is encouraged to participate fully in all activities of the California delegation.

7. Each delegate — state and local — will be expected to sit with his or her Service Center Council delegation on the RA floor or to inform the appropriate person where he or she will be seated. This is to ensure communication regarding RA business and/or personal emergency information of concern to the delegate, as well as to verify attendance.

I understand that, as a state delegate, my attendance is being directly funded, at least partially, by membership dues. I accept my responsibility to carry out the above specified duties.

Date _____

Signature _____