LA Attendance

One of the many duties of Faculty Representatives is to attend the CEA Legislative Assembly (LA). Held on the first Thursday of nearly every month of the school year, the LA is the policy-making body of your Association. Your elected Faculty Representatives receive vital updates from CEA Officers and Staff and vote on important issues affecting your Association. Any CEA member is welcome to attend the LA. The next meeting will be a Faculty Representative Workshop to be held April 7, 4-30 p.m. The following is a list of buildings/units that were represented at the Mar. 3, Legislative Assembly:


United Way Prizes

Your Association would like to congratulate the following individuals who gave generously and were the United Way Prize Winners:

**$30 Target** (1): Roni A Becht, CEA, TOSA; Danielle D Krejec, CEA, Wedgewood ES; Karla Case, Administration, Lincoln Park ES; Theresa Erazbar, Administration, Eakin ES

**$50 Target** (4): Melanie Richards, CEA, ES Music; Judith Kulikowski, ODAPSE, Clinton ES; Christine Hecht, CEA, Columbus International; Michelele Smith, CEA, Indian Springs ES; Angela Martin, Administration, Westgate ES; Kathleen Moore, CEC (Account clerk); Virginia Sheffer, CEA, Nurse; Joel Pieffer, CEA, Social Worker

**$100 Target** (3): Sharon S. Stewart-Alexander, CEA, Medina MS; Deborah Ferrell, CEA, Gifted & Talented; Robert Sidders, CEA, ES Art; J Sanchez, CEA, Northland HS; Mary Barber, CEA, Columbus North Int! 1 HS

**$300 Target** (5): Joan L. Marshall, CEA, Medina ES; Marjorie Kreeger, CEA, ES Music; Teresa W. Meier, CEA, ES Art; Daniel Dukart, CEA, Northland HS; James M. Snyder, CEA, Columbus North Int! 1 HS

**$500 Target** (1): Jack Brandt, CEA, ES Music; June J. Smith, CEA, Mifflin STEM Acad PreK–6, Holy Family ES

**$1,000 Target** (5): Tonya J. Richardson, CEA, ES Music; Amy M. Farley, CEA, ES Music; Marian A. Odom, CEA, ES Music; Patricia M. McClellan, CEA, ES Music; Susan L. Brown, CEA, ES Music

**$2,500 Target** (1): Virginia Sheffer, CEA, Nurse; Joel Pieffer, CEA, Social Worker

**$5,000 Target** (1): Napoleon Jones, CEA, ES Music

**$10,000 Target** (1): Robert Sidders, CEA, ES Art

**$20,000 Target** (1): Tim J. King, CEA, ES Music

**$50,000 Target** (1): Melanie Richards, CEA, ES Music

**$100,000 Target** (1): Paul G. Wright, CEA, ES Music

**$1,000,000 Target** (1): Virginia Sheffer, CEA, Nurse; Joel Pieffer, CEA, Social Worker

Please fill out the RSVP link above and don’t forget to button up with your 2022 Contract Campaign Pins coming soon via your SFR/MA T team member. We’ll see you on April 20th! In Solidarity,

John Conneglio
CEA President

NEA Member Benefits

NEA Member Benefits continues to offer ZOOM sessions on a range of topics designed to help make members lives better. The Zoom link will work for any and all of these sessions. All sessions begin at 4 p.m.

Mar. 15 Social Security WEP, GPO and other issues which may impact your benefits as a Kahoot game!

Mar. 22 Making the MOST of your NEA Membership: an overview of your benefits as a Kahoot game!

To fully participate in the Kahoot game, have a second phone or other smart device to use as your response device. To join, go to https://bit.ly/3shMSCh. If prompted, the meeting ID is 836 4821 0108 and the passcode is 022543.

Apply for a CEA Scholarship

Do you have a child graduating high school? Would you like financial assistance with their college education? Apply for a CEA and CEA-R Scholarship. These competitive scholarships are a wonderful opportunity for our members’ children to earn scholarship dollars toward college. Applications are due by Friday, Mar. 25, 4 p.m. Apply at the website https://bit.ly/3GxsDBO. The document contains instructions to successfully complete the application.
Grievance Update

Your Association works hard to protect your rights and maintain the integrity of the negotiated contract. While we advise bargaining unit members to work out problems at the building level first, we know this isn’t always possible. We regularly inform you of the grievances on which CEA is working. To review the text of each grievance in its entirety, go to https://bit.ly/3b8k6CG.

Spring 2022 CEA Foundation Mini Grant

The Spring 2022 CEA Foundation Mini Grant window is open now. Mini Grants serve “to empower CEA members, in good standing, to design and implement innovative opportunities that will ultimately lead to higher achievement for all students.” Mini Grants are separate from the district grants such as Teacher Dream Grant and ESSER Macro Grants. All eligible CEA members are encouraged to apply to one of the following Mini Grants:

- **General Grant**
  - Up to $320 per grant

- **New Educator Grant** (Educators in years 1–5 of their career)
  - Up to $350 per grant

- **SEL Grant**
  - Up to $400 per grant

- **STEM/STEAM Grant**
  - Up to $600 per grant

**To apply, go to:** https://bit.ly/32537ho. Completed applications are due **Mar. 23**, by 5 p.m. Contact Tracie Helmrecht at (614) 398-1201 with any questions.

How to Request Remote Work

Go to https://bit.ly/39aHnSn if you are subject to quarantine or required to self isolate and wish to apply for remote work. Use the form to communicate your request. It is important that you enter your absence as sick leave. Any sick days used during this time will be refunded back to the date of the district’s receipt of your application. Requests for remote work cannot be approved for bargaining unit members who must remain at home to take care of family members who are subject to an isolation or quarantine order.

**Records Day**

The third records day of the 2021–2022 school year will be **Wednesday, Mar. 23. CEA bargaining unit members may work remotely from home on this day.** There will be no PD pullouts, no forced TBSI, no suggested meetings by supervisors or administrators on records day. This is your day to spend working in your building on whatever professional items you need to do such as grade cards, progress reports, IEPs, RIMPs, lesson plans, etc. Records Day is a work day. All members are expected to work the full day. Let’s show everyone how valuable this day is by us taking full advantage of the time we must get those things done that take valuable time away from our ability to provide additional support for our students.

PAR/CEU Class

The Peer Assistance and Review office is offering a professional growth opportunity for teachers of all skill and grade levels. Participants will receive CEUs. Course materials will be provided. **Mar. 22 Creating a Culturally Relevant School Environment (4:30–6:30 p.m. via Zoom)** Register on PD Planner for the sessions listed above. Call the PAR Office at (614) 365-5110 for more information.

**Article 211 Calendar**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Month</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>March</td>
<td>Round 2 Postings OPEN</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>18</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Special Notes**

☐ **Make a Donation to the Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank:** The following members have been approved for Catastrophic Leave and are in need of donated days: Amy Brown, Oakpark Pk Ed; Heidi Dooley, Mifflin MS; Elizabeth Johnson, West HS; Ronda McIntyre, Indianola Informal K–8; and Teresa Provens, Eastmore Acad. HS. To donate, enter your name at the top of the CCA Report of Employee Absence form. In the Comments section, vote yes, **Catastrophic Sick Leave Donation.** Sign the form and indicate to whom you are making the donation. Your administrators signature is not required on the donation form. Additionally, an individual has been approved for catastrophe leave does not wish to have their name included in the published. If you would like to donate to this individual, please contact Tai Hayden at the CEA office at (614) 253-4731.

☐ **CEA Spring 2022 Elections:** The elected positions will be filled in the current election cycle: NEA Local Delegates, NEA State-at-Large Delegates, CEA President, and CEA Vice President. Ballots were sent to buildings during the last full week of February. The voting window is open now and closes Tuesday, Mar. 15. Members of the Elections Committee will collect ballots for all elected positions. Mar. 16, 2022. Call Elections Chair Brittany Herbold at (614) 225-2631.