



CEA Colleagues,

Welcome back! I hope the first few weeks of school went well for everyone! I was so happy to be back in my building and able to see my students in person after so long. I know many people are nervous about some aspects of returning to the buildings. Remember, the 3 main ways to reduce the spread of COVID are vaccination, masking, and social distancing. I know social distancing is a challenge in some spaces in our schools. Let your building reps know of your concerns and they will pass them on to CEA Leadership.

Avery, Elizabeth, and I have been working hard to finalize the back to school MOU with the district. We have one more meeting next week to get it all finished up and we will get it to you as soon as we can. Make sure to read the bargaining update below.

The District is convening a committee to address unfinished learning and make decisions on how to spend our ESSER III funds. We have to develop an "Unfinished Learning Plan" to help address instructional loss due to the pandemic. The plan is due to ODE by October 15. The committee is made up of District Leadership and teachers. Heather Simoneau and Angela Dickey are representatives from CEA Leadership on the team. They will be meeting 3-4 times to create the plan between now and October 15.

Thank you all for the work you are doing with your students, families, and co-workers to make this school year as smooth as possible for everyone as we transition back to in person school!

Make sure to continue reading this newsletter for an MOU update and some important reminders below!

Yours in Solidarity,
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Bargaining Update from Avery and Elizabeth:

For three sessions our CEA president Alicia Brown and co-bargaining chairs Avery Hendrickson and Elizabeth Rouffy met with Superintendent Owens and other representatives from the district. We are close to full unity on the issues of member leave when exposed to Covid at work; onsite working conditions and safety protocols, and vaccine requirements (reporting and accessing). We have a meeting scheduled on Friday, Sept. 17 at which time we anticipate a completed tentative MOU agreement that we can take to the East County Bargaining Council for final approval.

Vaccine Mandate:

Submit your proof of vaccination or letter of exception ASAP! The deadline to upload your proof of vaccination or statement of exception to iVisions by October 4th. Tasha Katsuda sent an email on September 14th with directions on how to do that.

Leave Bank

Don't forget to donate to the Personal Leave Bank by October 31! Now that we are back in person you can fill out a triplicate leave form and send it to Tami. Make sure to label it Leave Bank Donation. You can also fill out an [Electronic Version](#) and send it to Tami. You will need to make a copy of the doc in your google docs and edit it with your information. You may only use the electronic version for donations for the leave bank. You may not use it for regular leave.

FREE WEEKLY COVID TESTING!
If you would like to receive free, at home COVID tests on a weekly basis, complete the enrollment form [here](#). You will be shipped a free test kit each week to screen for COVID. This is totally voluntary.

Financial Webinars

Each year Daniel Ryan, NEA Retirement Specialist, hosts a series of financial workshops that cover many important topics. The dates and times for the rest of them are belows. If you need to contact him directly his email address is: daniel@ryanfinancialsolutions.com ***All Webinars begin at 4:30pm***

September 21, 2021: All About PERS & IAP

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_uEGt50-4T4e6YHgwxxkTog

October 28, 2021: Estate & Legacy Planning

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_XIGKS_qSQcSE9eEpNa9Frw

November 23, 2021: Social Security

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PjUHLo_nSFKS2N8cvlKxxw

December 14, 2021: On Track to Retire?

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Svo5t61RT-GMEHhx46zHig

January 25, 2022: Tax Planning

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_EH4ErTlgQvu4W7fM9hg2nw

February 22, 2022: Medicare & PERS Health Insurance Program

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mzPH5kTYRfWwJ6x9YigqdQ

March 15, 2022: Cashflow & Budgeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_svPzzygBRLWdUH4xlquqow

April 26, 2022: Debt Management & PSLF

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2gq97TFCQS25RiwchM-mwQ

May 24, 2022: College & Education Planning

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_vHI-2F-7SYqUWkYEQqLP7g

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