

Events

Happy Hour With The Extension

Thursday, September 25, 3:30 - 6 Dublin House

Back by popular demand...Happy Hour With The Extension! Once again we're happy to invite you to join The Extension for an afternoon of companionship and spending time with fellow educators. No RSVP is necessary; just stop in and enjoy the time together.

Political Activity

Saturday, October 18, morning Location to be announced

CSEA members will be invited to participate in an event to support pro-education candidates for the State Legislature. Information will be provided to members as the time comes closer. This activity will be coordinated with other affiliates of the Colorado Education Association and members statewide will be supporting candidates in their region on the same day. Mark your calendar now to help elect candidates who will support public education in Colorado.

Oktoberfest

Saturday, October 18, CSEA/PPEA Building 2520 North Tejon

Following the political event, join us to celebrate the beginning of fall! This fun-filled annual party is a great time to gather with friends and fellow educators. Members and their significant others are invited to come and enjoy the afternoon with live music and adult beverages (IDs will be checked.) We'll have food trucks in the street for purchasing food. Mark your calendar now.

Foundation Day at the Air Force Academy

Saturday, October 18 Air Force Academy

What could be more fun than a beautiful day cheering on the Fighting Falcons? Help support the District's Foundation by purchasing your discounted tickets at only \$13 (regularly \$45). For every ticket purchased, The Foundation will receive \$3. The Foundation uses its proceeds to provide grants for District 11 teachers for their classrooms and projects. For additional information, contact Carolyn.Simon@AirForceAthletics.org.

Announcements

Sick Leave Bank Reminder

The number of hours in the Sick Leave Bank has fallen below the minimum required level. **All employees who wish to remain a member of the bank must submit a completed enrollment form.** Every year we have people who need extended paid leave for health reasons and run into financial difficulty because they did not participate in the Sick Leave Bank. We highly recommend that you participate in this voluntary employee benefit. For deadline information or if you have any questions about this, please contact Human Resources at 520-2169 or Jessica Bell at 520-2185.

Support Arts in District 11 Schools

Have you seen the beautiful butterfly sculptures throughout downtown Colorado Springs and wondered what they're all about? "Butterflies & Friends is an annual community service initiative created by the Rotary Club of Colorado Springs to raise awareness and funds to serve children and promote the arts in schools. Last year, Butterflies & Friends raised more than \$130,000 for D11 school arts programs and the Rotary Club's Service Fund." CSEA is proud to be a sponsor in this project which supports the arts in our District's schools, and invites you to [learn more](#). If you're interested in buying a raffle ticket for \$10 to win one of the butterflies, you can do so on their website. Who knows, maybe you'll be the lucky winner of your very own butterfly!

Articles

How Many Hours Do You Teach?

According to a recent education report from the Organization for economic Co-operation and Development, "American elementary school teachers spend more hours actually teaching students than peers in any other surveyed country." The complete article is available [here](#).

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