Announcements

Injunction granted to maintain current working conditions for Thompson school employees

Thompson Education Association today announced that its request for a preliminary injunction against the Thompson School District was granted. Under the Court's order, the district is required to maintain the current conditions of employment as reflected in the 2014-15 Memorandum of Understanding between the parties. In the press release, the Association says, "Twice this year, the Thompson School Board majority rejected a tentative agreement made between the district and the teachers. The board majority claims it is not an acceptable agreement, even though the district and teachers worked more than four months to address concerns of the board and the district." This is a major victory for the Association, and we congratulate and support our colleagues to the north. As we enter our own School Board election season, this is an important reminder that School Board elections matter!

Sick Leave Bank Open Enrollment Through September

You should have recently received an email from District 11 Human Resources regarding what the Sick Leave Bank is, what it does, how to enroll, and other important information. Please follow the instructions in that email to confirm that you are a member of the Sick Leave Bank. If you are not a member, we highly recommend that you participate in this voluntary employee benefit. 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. If you have any questions, please contact Human Resources at 520-2169.

Please Check Your Payroll Advice

Please check the payroll advice you received for the first check of the new school year. As was negotiated last year, everyone should have moved to a cell in the new salary schedule with a value greater than the value of the cell they were in on the old schedule. Please contact us if you have any questions about your check or your placement on the salary schedule.

Events

What If Is Coming Again

"Saturday, September 19 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Downtown Colorado Springs

The What IF… Festival celebrates lifelong learning and delights the community with the innovation, creativity, and the entrepreneurial spirit of the Pikes Peak region**.** Imagination Celebration engages a team of very cool creatives to produce the annual What IF… Festival in Downtown Colorado Springs offering a day of free engaging, interactive, and exciting experiences to WOW participants of all ages. The What IF… Festival, the only event of its kind, supports economic development and intellectual vitality by welcoming over 25,000 participants to discover the breakthroughs of local businesses, organizations, artists, scientists, inventors, performers, and students." You can learn more about this fun-filled, action-packed extravaganza of a festival here.

Get Out The Vote Walk For School Board Candidates

Saturday, October 17 morning Location to be announced

CSEA members will be invited to participate in an event to support the CSEA recommended candidates for the District 11 School Board election. (As of this writing those recommendations have not yet been made.) Information will be provided to members as the time comes closer. Mark your calendar now and please be prepared to help in this effort.

Oktoberfest

Saturday, October 17 following School Board Walk 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.

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