

Announcements

CSEA Election Recommendations

CSEA members understand that public education is inherently political. From the state legislature's allocation of monies to the decisions of our Board of Education on day to day policy, the decisions of the elected officials affect us. We again convened a representative group of members who interviewed local candidates and made recommendations. To find out who we recommended and how our process works, login to the [member section of the CSEA website](#) where we posted this information. If you have any issues logging in, please [contact us](#). If you would like to see a personalized list of recommendations for all statewide offices and ballot measures, CEA has a handy tool at www.cea.yourvoter.guide.

Dealing With Aggressive Students

We have been hearing a lot about injuries from aggressive and violent students the past couple weeks. Members want to know what options they have for dealing with such students and what to do when a student injures someone. To help sort this out, we have posted on the members' section of the [website](#) a consolidation of the pertinent information and directions straight from the Master Agreement, School-Board policy, and Superintendent's directives. Let's be clear, though: At *no time* is it OK for a student to assault a teacher—or anyone else, for that matter. If you have additional questions or feel that the policy is not being followed, please [contact us](#).

ESPA Member Opportunity

Would you like an opportunity to get meaningful information designed by ESPs for ESPs? CEA will be sponsoring a professional development workshop at CEA headquarters in Denver for ESP members on Saturday, October 6th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you are interested in learning more, please contact [Denise](#).

This is an opportunity for ESPs to come together and start to build power statewide. Join us. Hear us roar!

New Licensing Requirement

The Colorado State Board of Education passed a new licensing requirement in June:

Effective September 1, 2018 and every year thereafter, educators endorsed in elementary, math, science, social studies, or English seeking a renewal of their professional license must complete or demonstrate completion of professional development activities equivalent to 45 clock/contact hours or three semester hours in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CLD) Education within a full five year renewal period that meets or exceeds the English Learner Professional Development standards.

Click on the link to find out more information about the [CDE English Learner Educator Licensure Requirements and free CEA COpilot program](#).

As you have questions about the new requirement and free class program, contact Casey Kilpatrick, the Director of Learning Services, at ckilpatrick@coloradoea.org

Joint Council

Joint Council serves as a problem-solving body representing CSEA and Administration. It is an extension of Bargaining that meets monthly when Bargaining is not in session. It clarifies questions of practice, oversees task forces dealing with District issues, recommends the District Calendar to the Board, and recommends solutions to the Superintendent and to the IBB bargaining team where appropriate. An example of its work: Deciding that teachers' 14- and 25-

year salary bonuses applied to total years of service, not consecutive years. See the Contract Fact below for additional information.

Voter Registration

If you aren't registered to vote in El Paso County, please do so now. If you have a Colorado State driver's license or ID card issued by the Colorado Department of Revenue, you may register online at [Register Online](#). If you have not been issued a Colorado State driver's license or ID card issued by the Colorado Department of Revenue, you may register to vote by completing a Voter Registration Form. You will need to print and sign the form then return by fax, email, mail, or hand delivery. Here is the [Voter Registration Form](#). Please fax, email, or mail completed forms to:

Fax (719) 520-7327 Email elections@elpasoco.com
Mail Election Department, PO Box 2007, Colorado Springs, CO 80901

Events

Fiesta And Car Show

Saturday, September 22 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Pikes Peak Community College
5675 S. Academy Blvd.

Please join El Cinco de Mayo, Inc. and Pikes Peak Community College for the 35th annual Fiesta and car show in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, which runs from September 15 to October 15. "El Cinco de Mayo, Inc. embraces the opportunity to be a good community organization through sharing the Hispanic culture with Colorado Springs and surrounding community." (taken from the organization's website) In addition to the car show, there will be family entertainment, food, crafts and non-profit vendors. You can get all the details [here](#).

Oktoberfest Festivities

October 13 Noon – 4 p.m. CSEA, 2520 North Tejon
CSEA and ESPA members and their significant others are invited to join together for an afternoon of festivity and fun! We'll have free beer and snack food. Bring your own camp chair for comfortable seating.

Join us to celebrate the beginning of fall with this great time to gather with friends and fellow educators.

Contract Fact

Article VI C Joint Council

Certain matters are of such importance in maintaining quality education and high teacher morale that they require continuing study, investigation, and prompt problem resolution. To this end, the parties agree to work through a ten-member Joint Council, five (5) members of which shall be teachers appointed by the Association and four (4) members of which shall be administrators appointed by the Superintendent, and one (1) Board of Education director appointed by the Board. The Superintendent of Schools and the UniServ Director may attend at their discretion as ex-officio members. Each party shall have a majority of the voting members from the most recent negotiations. Joint Council shall be a problem-solving body for issues when negotiations are not currently being conducted.

Articles

[Ten Challenges Facing Public Education Today](#)

[U.S. Schools Now Have More Security Guards Than Social Workers](#)

[The Most Popular High School Plays and Musicals](#)

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