

## Announcements

### **Election for Delegates to the 2018-2019 CEA Delegate Assembly**

Elections for CSEA delegates to this year's Delegate Assembly will be conducted February 8-12. We anticipate that CSEA will be allotted 26 delegates, 12 of whom are automatically elected by virtue of having been elected to the CSEA Board of Directors by the members at large, as the CSEA Bylaws provide. Delegate Assembly will begin at 6 p.m. Friday evening, April 12 and adjourn when all business has been completed on Saturday, April 13. Additional information is available [below](#) and in the member section of our [website](#).



**Thumbs Up!** Thumbs Up to **Phil Hutcherson, West Middle School**, and the **students at West Middle School**, for recently being declared the Colorado winner in the Samsung "Solve For Tomorrow" contest. Their winning concept is a user-friendly kiosk that will be available to homeless people to assist them in finding community services, transportation resources and other important information to assist them. The students will receive \$20,000 in technology to assist them in creating a video showcasing their project, which will be submitted February 15 to determine if they are successful in going to the next level in the contest. Best of luck to **Phil** and the **students at West Middle!** You can learn more [here](#).

### **If Your School Isn't Entered, It Can't Be One Of The Lucky Winners!**

Have you entered California Casualty's school lounge makeover contest yet? If not, enter now to win a school lounge makeover for your school! California Casualty is once again sponsoring a contest for members to have an opportunity to win up to \$7,500 to transform their school lounge. The drawing will be held next spring. You can learn more and enter to win [here](#).

### **Interest Based Bargaining**

Your Bargaining Team begins training this Thursday, the 10<sup>th</sup>, and Bargaining sessions begin the first week of March. The calendar for the bargaining sessions is available in the member section of our [website](#), as are the issues to be negotiated. You are encouraged to attend the sessions, which are open to the public. Check with your AR about how you can support your CSEA Bargaining Team.

## Events

### **Educating Children of Color ~ 2019 ECOC Summit--Building Bridges**

January 19, 2019

Colorado College

Learn more, including how to register, [below](#).

### **Introduction To Mindfulness For Educators (Yoga)**

**January 24**

**5:30 – 7:00**

**CSEA basement, 2520 North Tejon**

This class will introduce educators to using yoga and mindfulness to help find balance and a sense of peace in their busy lives, as well as in their classrooms. Members are invited to attend, and may bring their children. While the focus of the class is on adults, there will be a segment at the end of the class which will include children. There will be a \$5 fee for the class (please bring a check for \$5 made payable to CSEA with you the night of the class), and reservations are required. Please reserve your spot [here](#), and if you are bringing children, please let us know how many and their ages.

This is an introduction to a full course that will be available to members in February (described briefly [here](#)). Complete course information and registration will be distributed after this introductory class.

## **Colorado Springs Municipal Election April 2, 2019**

One of the issues voters in Colorado Springs will determine this spring is whether Colorado Springs Firefighters' should have the right to negotiate their working conditions. The CSEA Board of Directors recently voted unanimously to support the firefighters in their efforts to secure a Collective Bargaining Agreement. We encourage members to be sure they vote in the upcoming city election. You can learn more about the firefighters' efforts [here](#).

### **Contract Fact**

#### **Article XI.E.4.b Use of Technology**

The staff at each school shall attempt to resolve any differences regarding how best to utilize any new technological resources that are provided by the District.

### **Articles**

[Here's A Look At The First Education Bills To Hit The Floor In Colorado](#)

[Los Angeles Teachers Strike Postponed](#)

[Are You Missing Out on These Educator Tax Deductions?](#)

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### **Details From Links Above**

#### **Election for Delegates to the 2018-2019 CEA Delegate Assembly**

Members will receive a complete timeline, approved election procedures, and a nomination form electronically. Self-nominations will be accepted electronically using the form provided. No other method of nomination may be used. Write-in votes will not be allowed.

CEA policy is established at this 650 person assembly of members from across the state that convenes each spring. At CEA Delegate Assembly, representatives make decisions regarding school reform issues, legislative agendas, philosophical resolutions and member rights advocacy. All members are encouraged to consider running to serve as a delegate.

Self-nominations and campaign statements will be accepted electronically using the form provided. No other method of nomination may be used. Write-in votes will not be allowed.

#### **Educating Children of Color**

The purpose of the Educating Children of Color Summit is to encourage all youth, especially children of color and children in poverty, to pursue higher education; to support teachers to be

successful educators; and to educate parents on what it takes to be college-ready and to help their children transition to a successful future.

For additional information or to register, visit <https://educatingchildrenofcolor.org/2019-summit>