

Union Pulse

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This Pandemic Can't Keep Educators From Continuing To Improve Conditions!

The Colorado Education Association held its 94th annual Delegate Assembly in a new location this year: online. Usually, one of the best parts of the Assembly is being able to mingle and network with hundreds of our union members across the state. This year, almost 500 delegates from across Colorado came together to do the business of our association in an online format from our living rooms, home offices, and back decks. Although we didn't get to see each other this year, solidarity, justice, and professionalism were the hallmarks of the event as usual. President Amie Baca-Oehlert and CEA ran a well-planned and well-executed meeting, including putting forward two new business items and recording nominations for open offices. Voting for the delegates will happen this week, and we'll announce the results soon. CEA and our association brothers and sisters across Colorado came together in a crucial way to show that this pandemic can't keep educators from continuing to improve teaching and learning conditions in our state and nation. Hopefully next year, we'll be able to assemble, mingle, network, and celebrate with each other in person! Thanks to each of you who attended and voted in this year's Assembly!

Teaching And Academic Resources

Google has a "[hub of information](#)" site you can visit for remote teaching. Among the resources there are tips on how to livestream your lessons, make a class website for your students, arranging for 1:1 time with your students and taking a virtual coffee break with your colleagues.

Teachers traditionally work collaboratively as teams, and remote learning has made that a challenge for some. *Edutopia* has developed four guiding questions for effective remote collaboration. These questions are:

1. What is our team's purpose
2. Who's on our team, and what are our roles and responsibilities?
3. How does our team work together?
4. How does our team take pride in our work?

You can learn more [here](#).

Community Helping Community

You can support families in crisis by donating childcare supplies they need. Information on drop-off days and times is available [here](#). The items need include diapers, formula, wipes, PediaSure and baby food.

For Your Pleasure And Health

There are some great ideas for [nature crafts](#) that don't require special supplies that it would be fun to do with your younger children.

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