

Union Pulse

Colorado Springs Education Association
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CSEA Remains Here For You

CSEA President Joe Schott has been working with the District administration throughout the closure to be proactive in representing members at all levels. He continues to participate in District leadership meetings such as Superintendent's Cabinet and Policy Committee. He attends the Board of Education meetings and made a presentation in honor of teachers for American Education Week on April 22 (we published his statement to the Board on April 23 in the *Union Pulse*).

We continue to advocate actively for members when they need assistance. The CSEA and District 11 Bargaining Teams are negotiating through virtual meetings.

The CSEA Board of Directors is meeting remotely twice a month to oversee the business of the Association. We conducted our April AR and Annual meeting over Zoom with excellent attendance. We have conducted elections for the Bylaw amendments and for 2020-2021 Association Representatives (we will have the results soon.) Your elected delegates represented CSEA at this year's CEA Delegate Assembly, where Kevin Coughlin received the Golden Apple award. We hope you read Erica Rewey's summary of the Assembly in yesterday's *Union Pulse*. We are awaiting details on how the NEA Representative Assembly will be conducted in July, but we will represent our members there as well.

Joe and the staff (Thad, Laura and Denise) meet daily on Zoom to stay informed and discuss all of the administrative and business functions of the CSEA office to ensure that we are operating seamlessly. We are communicating with our members daily, offering resources that we hope you find helpful

We are preparing to plan all of the normal events for the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year. While we aren't certain what these events will look like, we will hold our annual Board of Directors Retreat, Association Representatives' Kickoff, and participate in the District's New Teacher Orientation.

When we started this daily communication on March 31, we said, "CSEA is here for you." We remain here.

Teaching And Academic Resources

Remote instruction can be difficult for students with learning differences. [Edutopia](#) has strategies that might be helpful.

This is a difficult time for all of us, but for the graduating seniors, it is especially painful. [Here](#) are some ideas to honor and recognize the graduating class of 2020.

For Your Pleasure And Health

We are all experiencing teaching remotely differently, but there are some things most of us miss. Perhaps one of the things you miss is [here](#).

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