

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Ryan Ten Brink, who was among 27 outstanding educators selected for the Space Foundation's Flight 13-16 of Teacher Liaisons. Ryan was chosen for his active promotion of space and science education and will serve as an advocate for space-themed education, using training and resources from the Foundation to further integrate space principles into the classroom. He will also be publicly recognized at the Foundation's 32nd Space Symposium in April in Colorado Springs.

Events

Beer and Food Pairing

Friday, February 19th 5:30-7:30 pm Ivywild School, Gymnasium
\$25.00 per person

This fun-filled six course food and beer pairing is brought to you by the fun-loving folks who make up The Extension! It's sure to be a big hit and we hope to see you there. If you'd like to come, please RSVP to Leslie.Miller@d11.org

Colorado Precinct Caucuses - They Can't Hear You If You're Not There

Tuesday, March 1 7:00 pm

Go to your neighborhood precinct caucus and stand up for children and public education. You will be helping shape the future of our public schools.

It is critical that public education employees participate in political party caucuses. Education is among the top issues in every public poll, even when jobs and the economy are the most important to the voters. The candidates nominated for elected office by the people who attend caucuses are the same politicians who will affect your life as an education employee. Elected officials -- from the Governor to the Legislature and the State Board of Education, even Congress and the President -- make decisions that affect every aspect of public education: school funding, content standard and student assessment, discipline and school safety, school governance, curriculum, your employment and retirement, fair dismissal, licensing, and much more.

Anyone may attend a caucus, but only qualified voters may participate and vote. To qualify, a person must have resided in the precinct for 30 days, registered to vote no later than 29 days before the caucus and be affiliated with a political party at least two months prior to the caucus. There is no proxy or absentee voting at a caucus.

Learn where your precinct's caucus will be held at www.govotecolorado.com

Announcements

CSEA Board of Directors and Representatives to NEA RA Election Coming Soon

Members have been sent an email with complete information on offices to be elected, the nomination process, and the timeline.

Legislative Session

If you are interested in attending Lobby Day at the Capitol on Wednesday, February 24, please contact Kevin at kvick@coloradoea.org to get more information. This is a great opportunity to see the legislature in session and demonstrate support for public education.

Win \$2500 For Your Classroom

Give your wallet a break. Let California Casualty help you stop paying out-of-pocket for school supplies and instructional materials. Enter here: [Cold Hard Cash for Your Classroom](#)

Contract Fact

Article VIII - Vacancies And Change Of Assignments

A. VACANCIES

1. An updated list of current vacancies and known vacancies for the following school year will be posted on the District website commencing on or about February 15 through July 15. After notice to all building staff, a position opening which will be filled by a qualified employee from the building where the opening occurs shall not be considered a vacancy and shall not be subject to the posting requirements of this Article. Subject to any requirements of applicable law (SB 10-191), members of the bargaining unit who apply will be interviewed. Positions posted as vacant for the next school year shall remain open for a minimum of five (5) work days and shall not be permanently filled during this posting period. In addition to all other requirements applicable to in-District transfers of teachers between buildings, such transfers shall not be allowed after July 15 without the consent of both the principal of the building from which the teacher is leaving and the principal of the building to which the teacher is being transferred.

Articles

Here Are State Report Cards for NPE “Valuing Education”

See Colorado’s report card on education [here](#).

Teachers Should Be Treated Like The Heroes They Are

In keeping with the celebrations surrounding the Broncos victory in Super Bowl 50 this week, we thought it appropriate to share [this](#). (To see the clip, scroll down to the words, “Check out the hilarious sketch below.”)