

Announcements

CSEA Board of Directors Unanimously Adopts Resolution Concerning The District 11 Mill Levy Override

The CSEA Board of Directors unanimously adopted a resolution of support on the District 11 Mill Levy Override (MLO), which will be question 3E, on this year's ballot. The Resolution is available [here](#).

In its resolution, the Board acknowledges that it weighs the input of our diverse members, recognizes our members are concerned about funding of our schools, and has a history of successful political action. The Board supports increased funding for public schools (which includes increased compensation for education professionals and wider opportunities for learning) and increased attention to the social and emotional welfare of our students. The Board urges our members and community to understand the importance of 3E and to actively engage on this campaign when not working.

For more information about the 2017 Mill Levy Override Proposal, visit the MLO website at <http://www.d11.org/mlo>.

CSEA Recommended Board of Education Candidates

A group of CSEA members representing varying political backgrounds recently interviewed all candidates for the upcoming District 11 Board of Education election. They voted to recommend four candidates for the District 11 Board of Education.

The committee made their recommendations based upon the candidates' responses to questions surrounding their background, identifying pressing problems in the District, why they sought CSEA's support, their community and district involvement, issues surrounding the MLO, the characteristics of a successful school, vouchers and tax credits, collective bargaining, pay for performance, and their campaign plans. This recommendation is available for members to view on the member only side of the website.

Volunteer To Help Elect CSEA Recommended Board of Education Candidates And Pass 3E

If everyone takes a shift, we can make sure that 3E passes in November and that the candidates recommended by CSEA are elected to the Board of Education. Please sign up to help in these efforts by emailing tgemski@coloradoea.org.

Thursday, September 21, 2017 and Thursday, September 28, 2017

Meet at the parking lot for CSEA ([2520 N. Tejon, 80907](#)) at 4 pm.

Saturday, October 14, 2017 and Saturday, October 21, 2017

Meeting place to be determined at 9 a.m.

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](tel:7195207327)

Email elections@elpasoco.com

Mail Election Department, PO Box 2007, Colorado Springs, CO 80901

Events

Union House Food Co-Op Pickup

Fridays until November 10
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

CSEA/PPEA Building
[2520 North Tejon](#)

Friday Afternoon Hike

Friday, September 29
CSEA/PPEA Building

4:00 p.m., finishing around 5 p.m.
Dogs and kids welcome!

It's always a challenge for teachers to stay healthy at the beginning of the school year. CSEA has a fun and easy way to help maintain your mental and physical health coming up, and it's also a great way to meet some like-minded people! We will be taking a good stroll from the CSEA office through the Monument Valley trails on what will hopefully be a beautiful Colorado fall afternoon.

Most people have never really explored these trails, and some have never discovered what a beautiful park system we have right in the center of town! The hike will be 2-5 miles or any distance you feel comfortable with. It will be easy terrain, and probably only take about an hour. For those of you already planning on picking up your Co-Op farm box that afternoon, we will help you get your goodies and keep them cool in the office during the hike, and still be home before dinner!

We would love you to join us at [2520 N. Tejon](https://www.d11.org/2520-N-Tejon). Dogs and kids welcome. Snacks and water will be provided! If you can join us, please RSVP to ryan.tenbrink@d11.org

Oktoberfest Festivities!

October 14th
CSEA parking [lot](#)

12:00 noon till 3:00 pm
[2520 N. Tejon St.](https://www.d11.org/2520-N-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! (Past local craft beer donors include Bristol, Fieldhouse, Colorado Mountain, Red Leg, Rocky Mountain and Smiling Toad.) Food trucks will be here with food to purchase. 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 XI.C.1 Curriculum Development And Changes

The Board is ultimately responsible for curriculum throughout the District. Curriculum shall be developed by professional staff with input from the community. Substantive curriculum changes shall be critiqued and developed by practicing teachers. All curriculum committees shall contain a majority of practicing teachers. Educational programs that are not part of the regularly developed curriculum shall be implemented only after consultation with the teaching staff so that input from all affected personnel can be gathered and considered. Such programs shall be evaluated at the end of each year by the involved teaching staff.

Articles

[NEA Identity Theft Protection Program Powered By LifeLock](#)

[From Passionate To Politics-free, Here's How Colorado School Districts Responded To Trump's DACA Decision](#)

[Improving Your Parent-Outreach Strategy](#)

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