

Union Pulse

Colorado Springs Education Association
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Welcome Back!

Welcome back, everyone. It's good to see students, and you are all back in your element where you perform best. Let's hope and work to keep our schools open. Let's also just quote Jethro Tull right up front: [Nothing is Easy](#). The introduction of PowerSchool has had its challenges. We've voiced your concerns to IT and senior administration in Joint Council already. We know COVID threatens to put students and staff in quarantine. Public Education, though, continues to deserve our respect and best efforts—for its aspirations and for its benefits to students and communities. Teachers focus on working with children to assure they enjoy learning and know they are valued. We can't control everything, and we shouldn't assume responsibility for things we don't control, but that won't prevent teachers from partnering with families to build students' futures. The heart and purpose of education remains in our control.



A THUMBS UP to the staff of Scott Elementary School. This summer, they showed the effectiveness of solidarity and the power of justice. This staff is strong, courageous, and effective. From teaching students to working diligently to ensure a healthy workplace and stronger relationships among staff, they exemplify the best of our profession.

Upcoming Events

Balloons and Books 2



Labor Day weekend CSEA and District 11 teachers will once again be supporting literacy and making children/families happy by giving away free books. 2 years ago, we gave away over 5,000 books and saw so many happy faces. Please join us in Solidarity, meet some wonderful people in the community, and check off a requirement for your teacher evaluation (civic engagement). If you have questions or need more information please see the links below, or email:

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Sign Up to Volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0944A8AF2EA7FF2-balloons>

Event Information:

<https://coloradospringslabordayliftoff.com/>

Articles of Note

Compassion Fatigue

<https://www.edweek.org/teaching-learning/opinion-compassion-fatigue-is-overwhelming-educators-during-the-pandemic/2021/06>

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