

OCEA NEWS

Message from the President

Well, Spring Break is over and we are now in a mad dash to June. As the year winds down, things are ramping up for our Association. Members are stepping up in all sorts of ways including working on various district (Discipline Policies, MTSS, schedules, etc.) and state committees (Social Emotional Learning, SPED, etc) and some are delegates heading to Portland to represent you at the end of this month at the OEA Representative Assembly. As you feel the pressure to finish testing & prepare students and yourself for next year, please remember to breathe and know that you are doing a great job. As we go forward, enjoy this time with your colleagues and students and please let us know how our Association can best serve you. Here's to a great spring for all of you! One filled with happiness, good health and tasks marked off checklists. Lastly, A big thank you to all of you for helping your colleagues daily and for letting us interrupt your planning time during our listening activity. Remember, ***"No one is more cherished in this world than someone who lightens the burden of another."*** –Anonymous

-Cindy Williams

Executive Board Voting

Voting for open Executive Board positions begin April 23rd - 27th. The sample ballot was sent out via email for members to review.

There are 2 changes to note as you consider your candidate options.

1. LeAndra Isenberger from Redland is running for Treasurer
2. Wendy Miller has withdrawn her nomination for Vice President

Cast your vote with your Building Rep!

Licensure Workshop

Join us for a an overview of TSPC Licensure updates as well as information on renewal, conditional assignments, and adding endorsements

**Tues April 24th @ 4pm
Downstairs District Office**

The purpose of OCEA shall be to represent its members in collective bargaining, serve as the local voice for education, promote professional excellence among educators, gain recognition of the basic importance of the teacher in the learning process, protect the rights of the educators and advance their interests and welfare, secure professional autonomy, unite educators for effective citizenship, promote and protect human and civil rights, involve as many members as possible in the operation of the Association and to otherwise act for the common good of the members.

General Membership Meeting: Please Attend

We have not started bargaining for the 2018-19 school year, but we will begin soon. Please attend our General Membership meetings which will give you important information prior to our next round of problem solving. Our first meeting will be April 26th in the presentation room by the library at OCHS. We will have two, one-hour presentations. One from 3:00-4:00 and one from 4:15-5:15. Choose the one that best fits your schedule.

We will schedule another meeting in early May for those of you who can't make the April meeting. We need members to attend the School Board and Budget work sessions so you can have first hand knowledge of our the budget and district vision.

It is also important to make time to attend your building's 10-minute meeting your Building Reps hold each month and be sure to read their emails too. You will be hearing more about upcoming contract negotiations along with other things shared at each Rep Council meeting.

Be An Involved Member

Please let us know if you have an interest in helping with the following committees: Calendar, Discipline, Insurance, Bargaining/Problem Solving, Contract Maintenance, Political Action, and being a Building Rep., You can be a committee member or someone we can bounce ideas off of in these areas.

Are you proficient with technology? Are you creative and interested in designing newsletters? Can you update a webpage? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then consider stepping into service as the Communications Chair position. Contact Jamie Voelker or Cindy Williams for more information.

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CONTRACT TRIVIA

Congratulation to Suzanne Fogel for answering March's Contract Trivia question.

Question: Will you get paid extra for moving if you request an assignment or building transfer? Answer: No.

When are local Association dues deducted from paychecks?

Be the first to email Cindy Williams or Jamie Voelker with the correct answer to win a prize!