



Mark Your Calendars

Good day my fellow educators. I hope that you were able to get most of your classroom “to do” list completed (grading, planning, organizing, cleaning, and catching up with colleagues). Moving into the final weeks of first quarter, I would like to remind you of some important dates and upcoming events.

September 28th (Wednesday): We are offering a virtual AR training from 6:30pm until 7:30pm. It will be the last training for building Association Representatives (ARs). If you would like to participate, please email Caitlin at the OEA office (Caitlin.Oconnor@nsea.org). Once registered, you will receive a link to join via ZOOM.

September 30th (Friday): The Compensation & Benefits survey will close at 5:00pm. If you have not yet completed it, please do so. The data collected will provide the Compensation & Benefits committee with valuable information that will be utilized in upcoming negotiations. Please share the provided link with other educators in OPS who have not completed it, [Comp and Benefits Survey Fall 2022: Class Size, Caseload, and Extra Duty](#). This survey is open to both members and non-members. The survey will close at 6:00pm on this day.

October 1st (Saturday): Come out to **Site One Taproom** (2566 Farnam St, Omaha) for some amazing food and

beverage while supporting the Omaha Public Schools Foundation fundraising event for the OEA. Site One will graciously donate 15% of all food and beverage sales to the OEA MER-C fund.

October 15th (Saturday): *Protect Your Students: Successful Advocacy in Tough Times* is a three-part series presented by the Educational Rights Counsel and the OEA. Each workshop will cover a variety of topics in education and how to properly advocate for yourself, the educator, and your students. The series will be hosted at the Barbara Weitz Community Engagement Center, 2nd floor University of Nebraska-Omaha, starting at 9:00am and concluding at 11:00am. It is open to all OEA members, Aspiring Educators, and non-members. Seating is limited so register early. A light breakfast will be provided. Each presentation is independent of the others. ***The dates for the remaining sessions are Saturday, October 22, 2022, and October 29, 2022, with the location and times remaining the same.*** If interested, please email Caitlin O'Connor (Caitlin.Oconnor@nsea.org) at the OEA office

October 18th (Tuesday): Any proposals you would like to have considered for negotiations are due by 5:00pm. The Compensation & Benefits committee will review and modify the proposals and provide them to the negotiating team to present when that process begins (early November). Negotiations is about advocating for what teachers need and deserve. The proposals that are presented are based on the information collected from the membership. If there is something you think should be considered, please write a proposal, and submit it to oeachiefnegotiator@gmail.com. Please use the provided document to write your proposal ([Negotiation Proposal Form](#))

Have a great weekend doing things you enjoy.

In solidarity,
Michelle

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