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March 2023 OEA General Election, NSEA (Nebraska State Educat:ionAssociation) and NEA (National Education Association)

Delegate Election Information

Our local elections will open March 20th at 8:00am and close on March 24th at 5:00pm.

The following positions are up for election:

- (One) Vice President of Advocacy (3-year term 2023-2026). All members vote for this position.
- (Two) Elementary Level Member Board Seats (3-year term 2023-2026). Only elementary level members vote for this position.
- (One) Middle Level Member Board Seat (3-year term 2023-2026). Only Middle Level members vote for this position.
- (Two) Senior Level Member Board Seats (3-year term 2023-2026). Only Senior level members vote for this position.
- (One) Alt Ed/TAC member (3-year term 2023-2026). Only Alternative Ed/TAC members vote for this position.
- 13 NEA (National Education Association) RA Delegates The president and vice presidents by virtue of office automatically qualify as delegates
- 44 NSEA (Nebraska State Education Association) DA Delegates The president and vice presidents by virtue of office automatically qualify as delegates

We will be using the home email address we have on file. It is critical that we have the most updated information to provide you with a ballot to vote. Please contact the office to confirm your email address is correct.







Tuesday, March 14 9 AM - 3 PM · NSEA

9:00 AM Registration: NSEA, 4th Floor Boardroom

9:15 AM Issue Briefing with Jason Hayes & Brian Mikkelsen;

Mock Senator Conversations

10:10 AM Time at the Capitol

NOON Lunch and Debriefing

1:30 PM Education Hearings if possible

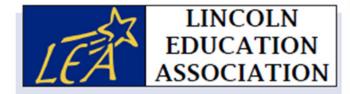


8 AM: Bus leaves from OEA 3 PM: Depart for Omaha

Sign up: www.bit.ly/OEAAction or scan the QR Code.



Any Questions? Email wesjensen86@gmail.com



LEA Members interested in attending, please contact Cathy Schapmann by email: cathy.schapmann@nsea.org or call (402) 475-7611.



The Nebraska Legislature, Your Voice is Needed

The Nebraska Legislature plays a key role in everything you do. From funding to curriculum, from the bus barn to the lunchroom, actions by state senators can touch what public school employees can do and what and how students learn.

Thus, it is imperative that teachers in Nebraska know what happens inside the legislative chambers. It is just as important NSEA members let state senators know of their concerns about actions that affect public schools in a negative fashion.

It is so very easy to be in the know! Here are some simple methods for staying on top of the issues and for contacting senators

when the time is right:

• Become a cyber-lobbyist. Add your name to NSEA's e-mail list to receive regular legislative updates. To become an NSEA cyber-lobbyist, email www.nsea.org/action

- Call the NSEA. Call toll-free at 1-800-742-0047. An experienced NSEA team watches the legislative process closely.
- Read The Voice. NSEA's monthly magazine keeps members on top of the latest legislative happenings.
- Scan the Internet. Follow the progress of any legislative bill through the Legislature's website at: www.nebraskalegislature.gov



- Call the Legislature. Receive the Legislature's weekly newsletter, Unicameral Update, by calling the Legislature's 24-hour Request Line at 1-402- 471-2877. You may also request limited copies of bills, resolutions, or amendments, but you must provide the bill number of any legislation you wish to receive.
- Talk to your senator. There is no better way to affect legislation than to get to know and talk to your senator.

• Register for the Day of Action on March 14, 2023.

Transportation will be provided as well as breakfast and lunch.

Use the provided link to register (https://forms.office.com/r/cXkQyvJs4W)

Most senators return home on weekends and set up meetings with constituents. Meet with senators at such opportunities. You can also e-mail your senator through the Legislature's home page at: www.nebraskalegislature.gov

Committee Meetings

Meetings will be held at the OEA offices with a start time of 4:45pm.

Visit the website for further committee information: www.Omahaoea.org



Tuesday, March 14 -Day of Action (Lobby Legislature in Lincoln)

Wednesday, March 15 - Membership

Tuesday, March 21 - 4:30pm -AR Meeting Governance Committee Meeting Compensation & Benefits

Tuesday, April 4 - Instructional Advocacy Committee

Thursday, April 6 - Public Community Relations (PCR)

Candidates for OEA Board Seats -

Members at these levels will vote for their specific candidate

Middle School (Middle Level only) - 1

Amy Smith Andrew Hillmer Paula Aguirre

Alt Ed / TAC (Alternative Ed/TAC only) - 1

Kim Gardiner Shannon Heng

Candidates for Representative Assembly July 2-6, 2023, Orlando, Florida (<u>all members vote for delegates</u>)

NEA RA - Vote for a maximum 13

Katie Cameron Anne King Edward Ventura Kristy Lee Amy Smith Kim Ferris Faith Johnson Andrew Hillmer Meeghan Hartfield Wes Jensen Kim Gardiner Diana Casey Paula Aguirre Shannon Heng Michelle Richards Tonja Frank Stacie Stevens Terri Childers Kiera Cummings Jim Goetz

Candidates declared elected by acclamation on the March 8th filing deadline for the 2023 General Election per Bylaw Article II Section 10

Vice President Advocacy

Kathy Poehling

Elementary Board Seats

Amanda Kloke Terri Childers

High School Board Seats

Jim Goetz Rae Carlson

NSEA Delegate Assembly

Katie Cameron
Edward Ventura
Amy Smith
Amy Page
Andrew Hillmer
Meeghan Hartfield
Kim Gardiner
Paula Aguirre
Michelle Richards
Lorie Krebs
Stacie Stevens

Carrie Pratt
Amanda Kloke
Justin Potts
Jim Goetz
Kristy Lee
Kim Ferris
Faith Johnson
Wes Jensen
Diana Casey
Shannon Heng
Tonja Frank

Terri Childers
Kiera Cummings
Jared Wagenknecht
Eric Opdahl
Rae Carlson
Micole Harms Brazell
Molly Davies
Kim Mefford
Josh McDougall
Kathleen Hayden Matthews
Terrel Matthews

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