Rochester Teachers Association

For Reps — June 2019



SUMMER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

The maximum number of hours of school based PD an individual may complete during the summer is 18 hours for non-tenured teachers and 22 hours for tenured teachers. Teachers can complete all 24 or 36 hours if courses are offered on TrueNorth Logic.

FRIENDLY REMINDER:

These Building Committee agreements are due to RTA to msergent@rochesterteachers.com by June 30^{th:}

- 1. Classroom Interruption Plan
- 2. Teacher Room Assignments

PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

The following Reps attended every Representative Assembly Meeting this year: **Karlene Glaspy**, #8, **Patricia Seltzer**, #9, **Alexis Butler** #9, **Paula Givens**, #16, **Anna Leone-Tobar**, #28, **Jason Valente**, #39, **Mike Tobin**, Edison, **Jeanette Gilbert**, CO, **Sara Rahn**, Speech/Hearing, **Anne Moyer**, Speech/Hearing, **Patti Brody**, RRTA, **Willie Humphrey**, RRTA, **Ken Schultz**, RRTA and **Deborah Sullivan**, RRTA.

We appreciate the time you take out of your busy schedule to serve our members as a Faculty Representative.

CHANGE OF RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS OR EMAIL ADDRESS:

If you move, change your email address or your name, don't forget to let the RTA office know!

ROCHESTER TEACHERS CARE PROJECT:

This year we shared 35 new videos and have filmed another 21! There are so many fabulous things happening in our schools. We know teachers really don't take the summers off! If you are doing something this summer that we should showcase with our Rochester Teachers Care project, please contact Aimee Rinere at arinere@rochesterteachers.com or Matt Lavonas at <mlavonas@rochesterteachers.com>.

UNION MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES FOR 2017-2018:

The following RTA membership events were offered to RTA members this year:

- Professional Development workshops
- Red Wings Baseball game and picnic
- Loan Forgiveness workshops
- Labor Council Film Series
- RPO Concerts
- Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk
- Labor Day Parade
- Roth 403B workshops
- Retirement workshops
- APPR Appeal Drop –In assistance
- RTA Annual Retirement Dinner
- Rochester Teachers 5K Challenge
- Informational meeting with Laid-off teachers
- End of the Year Social

We are always looking to add opportunities to our members and their families. If you have an idea or suggestion for an event or are willing to help organize an event for 2019-2020, contact Arinere@rochesterteachers.com. We hope to add more opportunities for our members next year!

PAYCHECKS:

The final paycheck for those teachers getting 22 paychecks is July 5th. **The first paycheck for the 2019-2020 school will be September 13th and the final paycheck issued on July 3rd.

We expect the check for the Professional Development Incentive will be issued on July 5th. Any discrepancies after July 5th, payment will likely be issued either July 19th, August 2nd, August 16th, or August 30th.

RTA ADOPTED BUDGET:

The adopted 2019-2020 RTA budget has been included in the official minutes on record and is available for review upon request.

UNFILLED JOB NUMBERS:

Please send all of the job numbers for classroom positions that went unfilled by a substitute. The district is required to add .5 day to the Paid Absence Bank, which is made available to members who have run out of sick days for themselves.

NYSTRS PENSION AND RETIREMENT SEMINARS:

If you are considering retirement in the near future, summer is a good time to attend a New York State Teachers Retirement PREP Seminar. There are 2 seminars scheduled in the Rochester on July 10th and July 30th, which run from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Registration is required and these seminars fill up quickly. To register, visit <**NYSTRS.org>** or call (800) 348-7298 ext. 6180.

RETIRING FACULTY REPS:

RTA cordially wishes the following Reps a heartfelt thank you for your service and best wishes as they embark on their next journey – **RETIREMENT!**

- Natasha Bell, Monroe
- Barbara Bukowski, Edison
- Jacquelyn Dobson, Special Services Chairperson
- Daniel Dunne, Monroe
- Lucia Espinosa, East Upper
- Jeffrey Feinberg, SOTA
- Shawn Foust, All City
- Paula Givens, #16 School
- Ermine Izzo, Psychologists
- Debbi Jackett, #17 School
- Nancy Ranalletta, #19 School
- Candace Rubin, Home Hospital Chairperson
- Dave Wurz, RTA Secretary

RTA HOTLINE NUMBER:

Teachers may call the RTA Hotline for job postings by calling 546-2768. To accept a position, simply follow the directions which are given on the hotline.

LAID-OFF TEACHERS:

Please let teachers who are laid-off know there is an informational meeting at the RTA Office on June 25th from 4-6 pm. Information shared will include call backs, unemployment, health benefits, and plenty of time for individual questions.

SAVE THE DATES:

- Faculty Rep Training August 15th and 22nd
- Labor Day Parade September 2nd
- Teachers Report September 3rd
- Student's first day September 4th







END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR SOCIAL

Friday, June 21, 2019 3:30 to 6:30pm

ANTHOLOGY

336 East Avenue

(entrance at Lawrence Street)

- Hors d'oeuvres and Refreshments
- Raffles
- DJ Entertainment
- Free & ample parking at/near RTA Please obey parking signs!

WITH APPRECIATION OF OUR SOLIDARITY! MEMBERS OF THE RTA ARE WELCOME