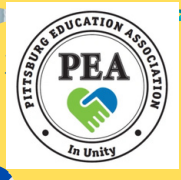




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THE FOCUS

Wednesday October 4, 2023



President's Corner



September was a wild ride for our Union! We were on the front lines pushing for fair evaluation cycles and better working conditions at various sites. Our proudest moment was teaming up with PEA site reps to boost our membership. We waved bye to 37 non-members, leaving only 9 potential members. Whoop! We also hit a whopping 99% PEA/CTA/NEA membership, with only a handful of folks left to bring onboard.

Our PEA leaders are ramping up engagement and would love your input on how to make it even better. Get in touch and share your thoughts. And, if you want to dive deeper, check out our PEA website at <https://peateachers.org>

In Solidarity,
Celia Medina-Owens
PEA President

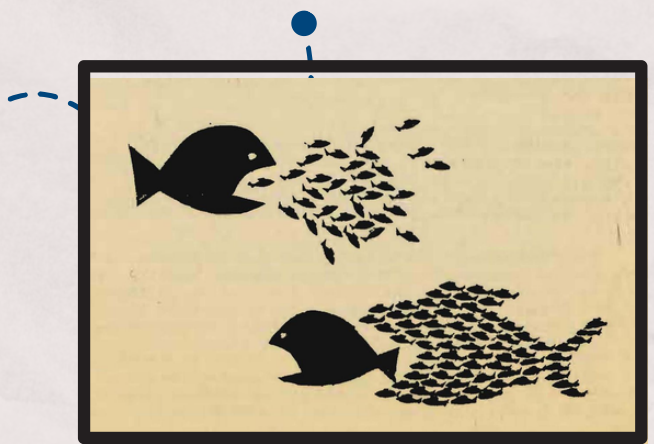


BARGAINING

Your PEA bargaining team met with management twice on August 25 and September 21 and had some thoughtful discussions about our working conditions so that **all** of our students are set up for success. We have four future negotiation sessions scheduled for October 18, October 26, November 6, and November 16. We are hopeful we'll make significant progress in those dates!

Please attend your site rep's 10-minute meetings (or find them) so that you can sign the commitment form for our bargaining platform. Your signature matters. This simple action speaks volumes for all of our educators to have the resources they need to be their best for our students. Our strength is in numbers, our number is our power, and our power brings justice and equity for our students and their families.

Standing up for Student Success,
Russell Lu, Bargaining Chair and
Your PEA Bargaining Team



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UPCOMING

events



PEA's Dual Immersion Committee

PEA is committed to working with dual immersion educators in advocating for equitable resources, materials, and support staff for our Pittsburg DI students.

- Monday, October 23, 2023
- 4:15PM
- PEA Union Hall
- 159 E. 4th Street, Pittsburg
- Puppasa dinner will be served



<http://bit.ly/46eFsJv>



PEA'S SPECIAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Are you a current or a past Special Education Educator?

If you answered yes, we need your help!

Please come to the meeting to help steer the bargaining language to improve our Pittsburg students' working & learning conditions.

- PEA Union Hall
159 E. 4th Street
Pittsburg, CA 94565
- Tuesday, October 24th
- 4:15PM
- Dinner will be served



<http://bit.ly/48llyNH>



2023 New Educator Weekend (North)
 Dates: November 3-5, 2023
 Location: Santa Clara Marriott



DON'T MISS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO JUMP RIGHT IN!

A SPECIAL ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITY IS COMING YOUR WAY. CTA MEMBERS IN ALCOSTA SERVICE CENTER WILL SOON HAVE A LIMITED-TIME OPPORTUNITY TO ENROLL IN THE ONLY CTA-ENDORSED DISABILITY AND LIFE INSURANCE PLANS WITH GUARANTEED ENROLLMENT AND NO HEALTH QUESTIONS ASKED.



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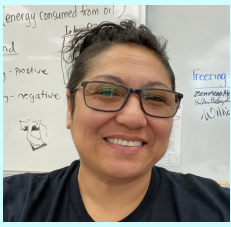


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Vanessa Yava LGBTQ+ Chair

OCTOBER 1ST-31ST LGBTQ+ HXSTORY MONTH

No, I did not spell “hxstory” wrong.
I spelled it that way to include everyone’s story from all genders.



www.glsen.org/lgbtq-history

has a plethora of resources for educators and students to learn and share. To kick off the celebration, I have 8 copies of GLSEN’s LGBTQ History Month Coloring Book to **give away to the first 8 people that email me!** See below for contact info.



Wear PURPLE for SPIRIT DAY 10/19

“**SpiritDay** is the world’s most visible **anti-bullying movement** inspiring LGBTQ youth, especially transgender and nonbinary youth to live their lives in their truth and authenticity.”-GLAAD. Pledge support and learn more about Spirit Day by going to:

<https://glaad.org/spiritday/>



[Link to BAAITS](#)



[Link to Rainbow Community Center](#)



Ya’at’eeh! (*hello*) My name is Vanessa Yava. Google me. I’m a science teacher at Rancho Medanos. I’ve been an educator and resident in the PUSD district for 16 years. I am the newly appointed LGBTQ+ Chair. I identify as 2Spirit/Indigequeer. Please, let me know how I can help. Also, I’d love to hear from y’all that would like to connect and plan and participate in fun activities and events, and help be part of the LGBTQ+ Committee. ndngal75@yahoo.com

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