

Top 5 Reasons to Join

Missouri's Number-One Advocate for Public Education

ADVOCACY | RESOURCES | BUYING POWER | SUPPORT | A VOICE



MNEA MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Join the state and nation's leading public education advocate.

Missouri NEA membership means benefits that help you provide the best possible education for the students in your school. Backed by the resources of the 3.2 million-member NEA, MNEA members enjoy a wide range of benefits that no other organization can match. Following are highlights of the benefits of membership.

Advocacy and Representation

- The backing and the voice that comes with 3.2 million members nationwide
- Collective bargaining assistance for your salary, benefits, working conditions and job security
- Immediate, personal assistance from trained local leaders and professional staff
- Representation by attorneys trained in labor and school law
- \$4 million professional liability insurance
- Assistance in solving problems at your work site
- Workshops on school safety, school-employee rights and responsibilities, collective bargaining and school finance

Professional Resources

- Pay just \$225 for up to three online graduate courses spread over 12 months
- An unmatched professional network, including collaborative online networking tools and resources; email lists; and local, state and national publications
- NEA edCOMMUNITIES at www.myNEA360.org for resources, lesson plans and people to collaborate with
- Thousands of classroom-ready lessons developed by more than 130 master teachers who represent every K-12 grade level for blended lessons, math, science, and English language arts and literacy at betterlesson.com, a partnership of NEA and Better Lesson
- Start Smart handbook and email list for beginning teachers
- "I Can Do It" Beginning Teacher Assistance Program for new teachers
- Teacher Leadership Competencies to guide the development of teacher leaders
- Grants for teaching projects and tuition reimbursement
- NEA Works4Me library of classroom tips on your smart phone or tablet through the Missouri NEA mobile app
- Information and assistance for those interested in seeking National Board Certification
- Research and policy briefs on state and national education issues
- Budget friendly online professional development courses with graduate credit starting at \$155 per credit hour

Big Savings with NEA's Buying Power

- Access to exclusive online shopping offers every day and on 300,000 discounts ranging from hotels (half price) to local dining, shopping, cell phones, rental cars, travel and recreation, oil changes, and new and used vehicles.
- Smartphone app with 150,000 discounts just for MNEA members
- Two free legal consultations and discounts on legal services for personal matters (not related to employment)
- Experienced financial planning consultants to help with retirement planning, college savings and budgeting
- Credit cards, money markets, personal and home loans, discounted auto, home and life insurance, and more

Support for Children and Public Education

- Media campaigns to build community support for education and highlight your successes
- District-wide training to assist locals in building successful family-school-community partnerships
- Annual Read Across America celebration, including educational materials for families and schools
- Local association activities to secure community support and respect for quality education and education employees
- Materials to promote education excellence and parent involvement
- Statewide contests and recognition programs to promote great educators and student learning

Your Voice at the Capitol

MNEA membership gives you a voice in policy making and decisions that improve education, reduce class size, ensure safe schools, secure technology resources and expand community involvement in schools. In addition, MNEA delivers the following:

- Full-time lobbyists working on your behalf in the Missouri legislature and U.S. Congress
- Daily and weekly state and federal legislative updates when legislators are in session
- Campaigns to elect pro-education lawmakers and work on ballot issues that affect public education

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