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BARGAINING FOR THE COMMON GOOD- CONTRACT STRATEGY SESSIONS

THIS WEEK

Please join us at the upcoming Contract Strategy Sessions to review newly proposed language. **There has been a change in time.** The sessions will now begin at 6:00 pm.

Friendly High School- Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
[Click here to RSVP.](#)

High Point High School- Wednesday, December 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
[Click here to RSVP.](#)

Parents & community members interested in learning more about Bargaining for the Common Good and supporting PGCEA in the bargaining process are invited to join us for a Community Unity Session.



PGCEA offices will be closed for the Holidays starting Monday, December 24, 2018 through January 1, 2019. We will reopen on January 2, 2019.

PGCEA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LEADERSHIP SAFE ZONE SESSIONS

Please join us for the PGCEA Professional Development and Leadership Safe Zone Sessions; the topics speak for themselves series. Come to one or come to all!!

Registration is open. Participants attending a full session will receive certificate that can be used for 4E. Dynamic peer presenters and materials.

Location: PGCEA Center
Time : 4:45 – 6:45 p.m.

Light meal and refreshments provided. Respectfully **doors for the session open at 4:30 p.m.** Food served 4:45 p.m.

Please, no children. No walk-ins. Thank you.

Monday, January 7th - **SEL/Classroom Management/Trauma Informed Teaching and Learning Workshop.**

Thursday, January 24th - **Work Life Balance Workshop/Job Stress and Effectiveness.**

Tuesday, February 5th - **Co-Teaching Collaboration Workshop; Partnering for Learning.**

Click here to register



PGCEA LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION

State legislators representing the county have been invited to discuss issues facing the region as well as proposals for the upcoming legislative session.

Registration will be open to all members on a first come, first served basis.

Event Date: January 4, 2019 - 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



Click here to RSVP

CLARIFICATION: LUNCH & RECESS DUTY PAY

The language in the contract is very clear on lunch and recess duty:
 “Any Unit I member who covers lunch/recess duties in the absence of monitors shall be compensated in addition to their regular pay at the hourly rate of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) in no less than half hour increments.” This means that if you cover recess or lunch duty for 20 minutes, you are entitled to \$7.50/instance. If you cover lunch or recess duty for 45 minutes, you are entitled to \$15/instance.



The class action grievance is moving forward, so continue to fill out and submit the linked form to your school's timekeeper. Remember to always keep a copy for yourself.

[Click here](#) to access form.

2019 LEGISLATION PUBLIC HEARING



The 2019 Prince George's County Delegation PUBLIC HEARING, will be held:

Date: Tuesday, December 18, 2018
Time: 6:00 pm
Location: PRA Auditorium in Riverdale Park
 6600 Kenilworth Ave
 Riverdale Park, MD 20737



Both local and bi-county bills will be heard. For further information, please visit www.princegeorgesdelegation.com.

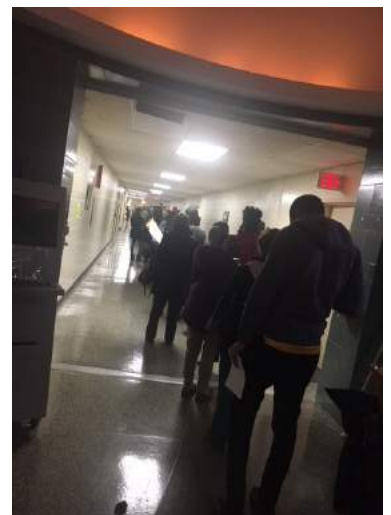


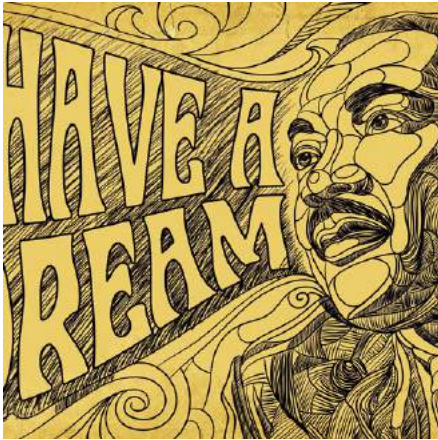
UPDATE: TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

This picture was sent to me on Monday of this week shortly after the doors opened for tuition reimbursement application submission. There were only two (2) staff working in the office. On the positive side, one of the recommendations from the tuition reimbursement task force has been adopted for the next submission period.

***Starting with the second submission of tuition reimbursements requests will be accepted online. Details and instructions will be available prior to March 18, 2019.**

- *Second submission:* Course end date between November 1, 2018 and February 28, 2019 requests accepted from March 18, 2019, until March 22, 2019.
- *Third submission:* Course end date between March 1, 2019 and June 30, 2019 requests accepted from July 15, 2019 until July 19, 2019.





MSEA 34TH ANNUAL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION

This year's theme is "90 Years: Re-committing to the Dream."

The theme will explore: the progress made in the 90 years since Dr. King's birth and how now more than ever, we need to come together and re-commit to Dr. King's dream in its entirety.

Event Date: January 19, 2019 - 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Location: Hilton Baltimore BWI Airport, 1739 W. Nursery Road, Linthicum Heights, MD 21090

Registration: [Click here](#) to register. Registration will be open to all members on a first come, first served basis.

RSVP Deadline: Tuesday, January 1, 2019 - 5:00 pm



MSEA LEGISLATIVE OPEN HOUSE

We invite you to an Open House the opening day of the General Assembly. For more information call 800/448-6782 ext. 3634.

January 9, 2019 - 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

MSEA Headquarters

140 Main Street

Annapolis, MD 20721

RSVP Deadline: Tuesday, January 13, 2019 - 4:00 pm

Email dspriggs@mseane.org to RSVP.



SAVE THE DATES

Bargaining for the Common Good- Contract Strategy Sessions

Friendly High School- December 18, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

High Point High School- December 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm

PGCEA Legislative Reception

Friday, January 4, 2019 | 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm

PGCEA Center

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MSEA STATEWIDE SCHOOL FUNDING RALLY

We'll need thousands of members and friends of education there to urge the General Assembly to pass a new and improved school funding formula as they respond to the recommendations of the Kirwan Commission. Look for much more information on the rally in the months ahead. See you there!

Event Date: March 11, 2019

Where: Lawyers Mall in Annapolis

MSEA RALLY
MARCH 11TH
#REDFORED

CONTRACT ARTICLES EVERY TEACHER SHOULD KNOW

Article 18- Authorized Leaves without Pay - H. Family Leave- Page 28 -

1. Any tenured Unit I member may upon written request to the Board of Education be granted an unpaid family leave not to exceed one (1) year. Family leave may be used for purposes such as the following: caring for a foster child, caring for family members, attending to family business or any other necessity in the home.



[Click here](#) to view the PGCEA contract.

ACTION SUGGESTED: Eligible teachers can submit a request to be reimbursed for up to \$100 for the purchase of classroom supplies via iExpense in Oracle. The deadline is Friday, February 15, 2019.

Visit www.pgcea.org for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

12/18/18

2019 Prince George's County Delegation Public Hearing

Tuesday, December 18, 2018 | 6:00 pm
PRA Auditorium in Riverdale Park
6600 Kenilworth Ave
Riverdale Park, MD 20737



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12/18/18

Bargaining for the Common Good- Contract Strategy Session

Tuesday, December 18, 2018 | 6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
Friendly High School
10000 Allentown Rd,
Friendly, MD 20744

[Click here](#) to RSVP

12/19/18

Bargaining for the Common Good- Contract Strategy Session

Wednesday, December 19, 2018 | 6:00 pm- 7:30 pm
High Point High School
3601 Powder Mill Road
Beltsville, MD 20705

[Click here](#) to RSVP

1/04/19

PGCEA Legislative Reception

Friday, January 4, 2019 | 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm
PGCEA Center
8008 Marlboro Pike
Forestville, MD 20747

[Click here](#) to RSVP

1/07/19

SEL/Classroom Management/Trauma Informed Teaching & Learning Workshop

Monday, January 7, 2019 | 4:45 pm- 6:45 pm
PGCEA Center
8008 Marlboro Pike
Forestville, MD 20747

[Click here](#) to RSVP

1/15/19



Circle Keeper Refresher

Tuesday, January 15, 2019 | 4:30 pm- 7:00 pm
PGCEA Center
8008 Marlboro Pike
Forestville, MD 20747

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1/19/19

MSEA 34th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

Saturday, January 19, 2019 | 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
Hilton Baltimore BWI Airport
1739 W. Nursery Road
Linthicum Heights, MD 21090

[Click here](#) to RSVP



1/24/19

Work Life Balance Workshop/Job Stress and Effectiveness

Thursday, January 24, 2019 | 4:45 pm- 6:45 pm
PGCEA Center
8008 Marlboro Pike
Forestville, MD 20747

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2/05/19

Co-Teaching Collaboration Workshop; Partnering for Learning

Tuesday, February 5, 2019 | 4:45 pm- 6:45 pm
PGCEA Center
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Forestville, MD 20747

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