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# Garden Grove Education Association

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*To take a few nouns, and a few pronouns, and adverbs and adjectives,  
and put them together, ball them up, and throw them against the wall to make them bounce.  
That's what Norman Mailer did.  
That's what James Baldwin did, and Joan Didion did,  
and that's what I do-that's what I mean to do.*

*Maya Angelou*

### **Upcoming Meetings**

*Committees meet monthly and welcome new members  
Join GGEA President at School Board mtgs. 1st & 3rd Tuesdays*

- May 30-June 1 CTA State Council**
- June 2 Evaluation Task Force Meeting**
- June 3 Board of Directors Mtg. 3:30 @GGEA**
- June 3 School Board Mtg. 7:00 @ GGUSD**
- June 5 Help the Retirement Committee prepare  
for our celebration 2:30 @ GGEA**
- June 5 Communications Committee 3:30 @ GGEA**
- June 5 New Teacher Committee 3:30 @ GGEA**
- June 10 Retirement Tribute 3:30 at GG Community Center**
- June 18 Last Day for Students**
- June 19 Last Day for Teachers**

### **Bargaining Days**

*To show support for the GGEA bargaining team,  
please wear green on days that we bargain.*

*June 2nd*

*June 11th*

### **Bring Your Rep!**

If you're called in to speak with your site administrator and the meeting feels as if it is disciplinary, or may become disciplinary, STOP THE MEETING! The meeting cannot continue until a Rep is present with you.

Better yet, ask what the meeting is about before you go in. If your administrator tells you the subject matter, you'll usually know in your gut right away. If you get that feeling, call for your Rep! If your administrator will not tell you ahead of time, then you have even more reason to call your Rep!

These are the Weingarten Rights you have been given previously. However, we still get calls regularly from members that did not take their Rep into a meeting, and then regret it. Please err on the side of caution, and ALWAYS take your Rep into meetings with your administrator, especially if it doesn't seem

like a normal meeting you may have with them.

### Super Week

Many members have called to inquire about attendance at Super Week before school begins. While it is very important to get the new information being given regarding Common Core State Standards, attendance is not mandatory. There will be offerings throughout the school year. *If you have any questions about being told to attend mandatory meetings or Super Week trainings, please contact GGEA.*

### VOTE ON JUNE 3

The upcoming June election has a direct impact on education. The CA State Superintendent and the local Orange County Department of Education races have opponents who are supporters of charter schools and other extreme ideas. CTA has interviewed and recommends reelecting **Tom Torlakson** for State Superintendent and **David Boyd** and **Elizabeth "Liz" Parker** for OC Department of Ed. These candidates have voiced support for Public Schools and denounced the corporate model of using Charter Schools to better education. They understand the importance of working with teachers rather than against them. **PLEASE GET OUT THE VOTE! Let your educator voice be heard by sharing information with others.**

### Thank You For Responding to the School Climate Survey

GGEA appreciates the many members who took time to give us their feedback in the latest survey. We will release an overall report before the end of school. Over the summer GGEA will analyze the data and use the findings to set our goals for helping schools deal with school climate. The GGEA Board of Directors will read each and every response so that we can make plans for next school year. Your input is valuable to all that we do for our membership.

### Attorney Available at the GGEA Office

GGEA provides its members with the opportunity to meet with an attorney for 30 minutes about non-job related issues free of charge. This is on a first come, first served basis. There are spaces available on the following afternoon: June 11 from 3:00-4:30. Please call the GGEA office if you wish to schedule an appointment.

### CCSS Resources from CTA

CTA has compiled a variety of diverse resources for members to use as the the new standards are rolled out. Go to [www.cta.org/ccss](http://www.cta.org/ccss) to find the links.

### Join the GGEA Facebook Page

To join, Facebook members search for "Garden Grove Education Association" and ask to join the group. Allow our administrators 24-48 hours to accept your request. If you are concerned about privacy, please make sure your own Facebook page has privacy settings adjusted before joining GGEA Facebook.

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## *Together Everyone Achieves More*

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