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# ***AD NOTES***

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***Education is Impacted by Politics - - - GET INVOLVED NOW!***

## **May 15<sup>th</sup> Education Rally in Santa Ana**

Mark your calendars now! There will be a Pro-Public Education Rally on May 15<sup>th</sup> in Santa Ana. This Rally includes Parents, Teachers, Public Employees, Community Members and Education Friendly Politicians. Groups like CTA, CSEA, PTA, and FESMA will all have members attending and participating. A flyer with more information will be arriving soon at your worksite, but mark your calendar now and plan on participating!

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## **CTA Assembly/Senate Phone Hotline**

CTA has established a hotline for members to call directly to their elected officials in Sacramento.

**Call 1-888-268-4334**

By using this number from your home phone, you will have the opportunity to leave a voice message for both your Assembly Member and Senator elected to represent you. If you call from your cell phone, you just need to key in your home zip code and it will then connect you to those individuals. We are in a budget battle here in the State of California. We currently rank 46 out of 50 states in the amount of funding per pupil for public education. If the cuts that are proposed go through, California will then rank 49<sup>th</sup> - right above Utah. **Step up, make your calls now!**

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## **California Casualty Insurance Info**

California Casualty Insurance wants to remind all members that they can take advantage of their exclusive Summer Skip Option . . . and skip making your monthly automobile insurance payments in July and August. Just call them at 1-800-800-9410 and they will switch you to this convenient plan so that you do not have to worry about your insurance bill during the summer months.

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## Del Mar Clubhouse Season Passes

Do you like the horse races? If so, then you need to bid on the following tickets. The Del Mar Thoroughbred Club donated two (2) Clubhouse Season Admission Passes to GGEA for the 2008 season which will run late July through mid September (\$500 value). We are holding a silent auction for these passes with all proceeds being donated to H.O.P.E. in Garden Grove.

If you want to send in a bid, please do so to [president@ggea.org](mailto:president@ggea.org) and put Del Mar in the subject line. **Bids will be accepted through Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> only so act now.** Winner will be notified the week of May 12<sup>th</sup>. Thanks in advance for your participation.

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## Retirement Benefit Workshop

If you are retiring this year, you should take advantage of this opportunity to attend a Retirement Workshop put on by GGUSD. There are three Wednesday dates: May 21<sup>st</sup>, June 4<sup>th</sup>, and June 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM. All of the meetings will be held in the Annex Conference Room at the D.O. Information about Medical Insurance, Dental Insurance, Vision Care, and Life Insurance after retirement will be discussed. These programs are provided to you as an employee but in order to participate after retiring, you must take action. Feel free to bring your spouse or significant other with you.

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## Secretaries' Tribute

GGEA would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's Secretaries' Tribute on April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center. It was again a fantastic event enjoyed by employees from all around the district. If you have not attended this event in the past, give it some thought for next year. It always takes place on the Thursday after Secretaries' Day. See you there next year.

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### Important Upcoming Dates:

April 28 -5/2	GGEA General Elections
May 1	New Teacher Mixer @ El Torito at the Block - 4 PM
May 13	Segment Meetings @ 3:30 PM
May 27	Rep Council @ GG Community Center - 3:30 PM

**Change only happens through Involvement and Advocacy**