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AD NOTES

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The object of teaching a child is to enable him/her to get along without his teacher.

Elbert Hubbard

AR Briefing Dates

A reminder for Site Reps that the Site Rep Briefing dates for the 2006-07 school year will be August 30th and 31st, 2006. This will be your opportunity to receive the latest information on negotiations and the state budget. GGEA will be contacting you with further information about these meetings. Please plan to attend one of the meetings. It will help you and GGEA to get the latest information out to all of the teachers in a timely manner.

Discounted Tickets

Since 1959, TSA has been providing value-added products and services to the California Educational Community. Specifically, TSA is exclusively endorsed by the California Teachers Association, Association of California School Administrators and the California Retired Teachers Association. TSA can help you save on entertainment/theme park tickets, worldwide travel and vacation packages, auto and retail services, as well as an array of insurance programs. There is a link to their webpage via the GGEA.org website or find them at www.tsaspecialservices.com.

Next Year's Site Reps

Please remember to notify the GGEA office of any site representative changes for the upcoming school year. This will enable us to contact the reps at the end of the summer break and provide them with the latest information. A reminder notice was sent to your site a couple of weeks ago. If you cannot find it, just call or email the GGEA office with the names of the new or continuing site reps. Thank you.

Race for the Cure

If you or anyone you know is interested in taking charge of the Race for the Cure activities involving GGUSD, please contact Beth Cusimano, Principal at Paine Elementary at 663-6118.

Transfer Postings

Vacant certificated positions in the district were posted at your work site this past Monday (June 12th). New postings will be released on the following dates:

- The second Monday in July
- The first and third Monday in August

Furthermore, employees wishing to apply for a vacancy must file an application with the Office of Personnel Services within five (5) workdays of the date of posting. By the end of the five (5) additional workdays, the employee shall be notified of a time and place of interview for each vacancy for which he/she has been considered. Those not interviewed shall be notified in writing with the reason stated. Within ten (10) days after the position has been filled, every employee who applied will be notified in writing of the decision (Contract Article 10.8). **If you are thinking of transferring schools, you are encouraged to apply for any posted position in the district.** There is no limit to the number of positions to which you may apply. For additional questions, please refer to your contract (Article 10), speak to your site representative, or call the GGEA office at #638-7480.

Wanted: Writers for the Advocate

Ever thought about writing an article for the GGEA Advocate? Well, give us a call and submit your name. We will be happy to add you to the list! The Advocate Editors are always looking for interesting stories involving teachers, students or events happening at your work site.

Summer Classes & Salary Advancement

If you are planning to take summer classes for salary advancement, please take note of the following contract provisions (Article 12, Sections 2e & 2f) for procedures and deadlines:

1. It is the responsibility of the employee to obtain prior approval from your immediate supervisor and the Office of Personnel Services for courses in which you plan to enroll prior to presentation for credit toward advancement on the salary schedule.
 2. To receive credit for advancement on the salary schedule, all course work must be completed by the first workday of the 2006-07 school year (September 5). Official transcripts must be submitted to the Office of Personnel Services prior to November 1.
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Summer Office Hours

The GGEA office will begin summer office hours on June 24. The association office will be open from 9 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Thursday. We will be closed on Fridays. If you are unable to reach anyone at the GGEA office due to staff vacations, please leave a message and we will return your phone call ASAP. If the matter is an emergency and you require immediate assistance, please contact CTA's Orange Service Center office at (714) 978-8861. Normal office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 5.

Have a Safe and Relaxing Summer Break!