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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

DocSpeaks Motivational Speaker

On August 27, 2007, from 8 to 9:30 am, world-renowned professional motivational speaker Dr. Adolph Brown III will be speaking to the teachers in Garden Grove. Better yet, this will be part of the Super Week activities for which **you can receive a stipend**. You can register online at the GGUSD website using course #6002 for elementary (K-6) and course #712001 for secondary (7-12).



Hurry and sign up soon since this session is almost full with 500 teachers! You will be moved by his message and come away from this hour and a half with a renewed sense of why you entered the teaching profession. For more information on Dr. Brown visit www.docspeaks.com.

Site Rep Briefing Dates

A reminder for Site Reps that the Site Rep Briefing dates for the 2007-08 school year will be August 29th and 30th, 2006 at 3:30 PM at the GGEA Office. 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 at your site in a timely manner.

Discounted Tickets

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.

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). 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. The Advocate Editors are always looking for interesting stories involving teachers, students or events happening at your work site. **GGEA also needs help from individuals who can use PageMaker to assist with the layout of our Advocate.**

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 2007-08 school year (September 4). 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 25. 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 4.

Have a Safe and Relaxing Summer Break!