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# Garden Grove Education Association

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*President: Kelly Nolan, Electronic AdNotes – January 29, 2021*

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**GGEA Mission Statement: GGEA is an association of educators who advocate for the well-being of our membership and the students we serve.**

**GGEA 2019-20 Goal: Engage membership through internal organizing to build a stronger union.**

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**Wear your GGEA Blue on Tuesdays to show your support of GGEA. Your support is what makes us strong!**



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## **Negotiations Update**

GGEA's Negotiations Team continues to advocate for all GGEA members. For the most recent update click the link below.

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## **Helpful Tax Information**

Remember, ask your tax advisor if your professional association dues are tax deductible. Click on the link for your GGEA/CTA/NEA dues for the 2020 tax year.

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## **Black History Month**

February 1st marks the start to Black History Month. To help you integrate Black History Month into your classroom, NEA offers a selection of lesson plans that cover a variety of subjects that can be adapted to fit multiple grade levels.

<https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/tools-tips/black-history-month-lessons-resources>

CTA offers many resources as well.

<https://www.cta.org/black-history-month>

## **Poster Contest**

This was in an earlier AdNote this year. Orange Service Center Council's (OSCC) Equity Team is conducting its poster contest once again. All K-12 students are encouraged to submit their artwork around the themes of Ethnic Minority Issues, LGBTQ+ Issues, Women Issues, or People with Disabilities Issues. Posters are due April 2, 2021. For more information click on the link below.

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### **GGEA Scholarships**

GGEA offers seven (7) scholarships to graduating seniors which are provided from the dues of GGEA members. They are offered in the following areas: Garden Grove Unified School District Graduating Seniors (4), Graduating Seniors of a Garden Grove Education Association (GGEA) member (2), and the Arlene Pavay Scholarship also offered to a graduating Senior of a Garden Grove Education Association (GGEA) member. **Please note there are deadlines in applying.**

<https://files.constantcontact.com/ea1a5c0d001/4685d142-cec8-4e50-bc74-1e49cf958332.pdf>

### **Maternity Workshop**

GGEA/GGUSD will offer its second maternity workshop for the year on Monday, February 22, from 3:30-5. District Insurance and TheStandard Disability Insurance Reps will also be in attendance. **Please RSVP to [jennyg@ggea.org](mailto:jennyg@ggea.org).**

### **Electronic Voting Coming to GGEA**

The office staff and I met today with our R&E Chair Willie Burghard to go over the internal logistics of setting up voting.

Voting will be conducted using our personal emails that we have on the GGEA data base. These emails will not be used for any other purpose besides GGEA communications and chapter voting.

In order to have a successful election process, it is imperative that we have your correct email address.

Some of you will require mail ballots and we will need your correct mailing address.

**Please email [jennyg@ggea.org](mailto:jennyg@ggea.org) or [membership@ggea.org](mailto:membership@ggea.org) if your personal email and/or mailing address has changed.**

As we get more information on how electronic voting will work, we will let you know.

### **GGEA/GGUSD Job Share Information Meeting**

Job sharing is an opportunity for a permanent employee to provide service on a part-time basis with another permanent employee. Participants must be permanent teachers willing to provide a written commitment to serve a minimum of one year in the job-sharing position. The deadline for submitting a request to participate in job-sharing shall be March 15 of any given year.

GGEA/GGUSD will provide an information meeting on Thursday, February 11 from 3:30-5.

**Please RSVP to [jennyg@ggea.org](mailto:jennyg@ggea.org)**

A flyer will be sent out this Monday, 1/25/2021.

### **CTA Virtual Conferences in February**

I will continue to update as future conference dates approach. **Please RSVP to [jennyg@ggea.org](mailto:jennyg@ggea.org)** if you are registering for these conferences.

### **February 4-7 CTA Good Teaching Conference (GTC) Elementary Home Edition! Grades TK-5**

The CTA Good Teaching Conference continues to support excellent teaching and learning practices for classroom teachers via peer-to-peer instruction. GTC offers a variety of diverse workshops focused on relevant curriculum content areas.

### **February 18-21 CTA New Educator Weekend (NEW)**

This conference is for new CTA members. The conference is for educators in their first three years in the profession. The New Educator Weekend has everything that educators need to be successful in their first years of teaching with sessions and electives concentrating on:

- Online Classroom Management – Creating a Productive and Inspiring Learning Environment
- Best Practices for Distance Learning
- Technology Tips and Tricks

- Navigating IEP's and Special Education Areas in the Virtual World
- What I Wish I Knew My First Years of Teaching
- Working with Colleagues, Administration and Parents
- Common Core, State Standards, Assessments and Pedagogy
- Teaching is a Career
- Student Loan Forgiveness Programs for Educators
- Resources and Programs from CTA Available to Members

**February 24-27 CTA Equity & Human Rights Conference**

Along with dynamic speakers, this conference's interactive sessions will provide you with a greater understanding of the issues of diversity and the issues of equity and social justice. The theme for 2021 will be Truth, Healing, Action. The workshop sessions will cover those topics through the lens of the following categories:

- A. Socio-Economic Justice
- B. Equity in Special Education
- C. Equity Lens in Schools
- D. Racial Justice
- E. LGBTQ+ Movement

Please go to <https://www.cta.org/conferences> where you can review session descriptions. If you are interested in attending you will need to register. Please let the GGEA office know if you are attending any of the above mentioned conferences.

**University Credits and Professional Development hours can be acquired at these conferences.**

CTA will be paying for university credits. *However, you will need to follow district guidelines for approval.*

**Working Wardrobes**

The Orange Service Center Council's Equity Human Rights Team has teamed up with Working Wardrobes for a donation drive from December 2 - February 28, 2021. Click on the link below to learn about the three ways to donate.

<https://files.constantcontact.com/ea1a5c0d001/2bd9055a-0893-4ede-a875-da4f94db5386.png>

**REMINDERS:**

**Attorney Consultation Available**

The opportunity to speak with an attorney for 30 minutes on non-work related issues has resumed. Please call the GGEA office for more information.

**Join the GGEA Facebook Page - Connect with other members!**

Search for "Garden Grove Education Association" and ask to join the group. Allow our admin 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. Here you can read education articles, see GGEA activities, and share your ideas.

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***Together Everyone Achieves More***

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