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# Garden Grove Education Association

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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 2021-22 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!**



**3/28-4/4 – General Election Declaration Of Candidacy for GGEA Officers, Segment Directors, CTA State Council Delegates**

## **CTA President E. Toby Boyd Message**

***"RE: Day of the Teacher, School Nurse Day, ESP Day***

Plan now for some big events in May recognizing your amazing contributions as an educator: California Day of the Teacher, May 11; National School Nurse Day, also May 11 (which falls during National Nurse Week, May 6–12); and CTA ESP Day, May 17 (which falls during ESP Week, May 15–21). Our theme for this year’s celebration: California Educators: At the Heart of Communities, Powering Our Future.

While the events of the past few years – a global pandemic, health and safety concerns, social upheaval and uncertainty – have taken a toll, they’ve shown the central role schools and educators play in students’ lives and in our communities. Parents and others have witnessed educators’ extraordinary dedication to the children and youth in their care, helping ensure their academic success and ongoing health and wellness. Because of what educators do, our future is bright.

This year our special poster will be printed in the **April/May issue of the California Educator**, a fold-out at the back of the magazine. We will also print the posters in a larger size and send them to you in mid- to late April for your use in chapter offices and schools. The poster can be

viewed at [cta.org/dayoftheteacher](https://cta.org/dayoftheteacher) and [cta.org/espdays](https://cta.org/espdays), where you'll also find resources and ideas on how to celebrate educators."

### **Site Water Fountains**

There was a concern mentioned at Segment meetings regarding water fountains not being used, and still covered at some of the sites.

Per the Office of Personnel: In the coming weeks, the district's Maintenance and Operations department will be cleaning up and flushing out the systems so the drinking fountains can be utilized once again

### **GGUSD Health and Safety Committee Meeting Notes**

GGEA has two members, Debbie Wade (Elementary), and Andrea Figueroa (Secondary), that serve as representatives for our association on this district committee.

Please find a copy of the March 16, 2022 meeting minutes in the link below.

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### **GGEA Leadership Positions**

Earlier this week in a separate AdNote, GGEA leadership opportunities were announced. The current positions that are up for re-election are President, 1st Vice-President, Secretary, High School Segment Director, Intermediate Segment Director, and two (2) Elementary Segment Directors. We also have one (1) opening for CTA State Council.

Responsibilities and duties for these positions can be found in Bylaw 7.7, 8, and 9 along with Standing Rules 6, 6F, and 7. They can be found under Governance on the [ggea.org](https://ggea.org) website.

While there is a fillable declaration form on the [ggea.org](https://ggea.org) website, I have also attached the necessary forms below.

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### **Show Me the Money - Raise/Retro**

Per the Office of Personnel, you will see your raise in your end-of-April paycheck. The retro will be in your end-of-May paycheck.

### **OSCC Human Rights Poster Contest 2022**

We have had several GGUSD students submit their posters in previous years.

The poster contest was announced in several previous AdNotes earlier in this school year. The **due date is Friday, April 1, 2022@Noon.**

Themes may include Ethnic Minority Issues, LGBTQ+ Issues, Women's Issues, or People with Disabilities Issues.

For more information and submission form, click on the link below.

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## Retiring?

Are you retiring this year? GGEA would like to know so we can celebrate you. If you are going to be retiring this year, GGEA would love to hear from you. Please call the GGEA office and let us know.

## TK Teacher ECE Units Informational Meeting

Just in case you didn't see the flyer posted at your site, there will be an informational meeting on March 21st at 3:30 p.m. for those teachers who are interested in teaching TK and only need Early Education Units. This meeting is not eligible for extra duty or PD/stipend pay.

Click on the link for more information:

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## Day of the Teacher Poster Contest

GGEA's Community Action Committee is announcing the 2021-2022 Day of the Teacher Poster Contest.

This flyer should already be posted on your site's GGEA bulletin board.

The flyer contains all the necessary information regarding the details and submission of the poster.

**Due Tuesday, March 22, 2022.**

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## Region IV Leadership Conference

**2022 Region IV Leadership Conference** taking place from Friday, April 22 - Sunday, April 24, 2022 at the Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa.

"This conference, "Fight for the Present, Shape the Future" is centered on the idea that building strong local unions and school site structures through nuts and bolts organizing, including Member and Community Engagement, is the key to a stronger Union. Our ability to connect with every member on school sites around our shared values is the foundation of building the necessary power to continue in our roles as advocates for students, colleagues, the teaching profession and public education in California. Please consider joining your colleagues from across Southern California as we hone the practice of building relationships by developing our skills and knowledge through [multiple course offerings](#)." For more information:

<https://www.cta.org/event/22r4lc>

While registration is now open for the 2022 Region IV Leadership Conference, you must receive prior approval by calling the GGEA office, speak to Jenny, and get on the limited attendee list. Once you are approved, you may register. Since it is a local conference, only the registration fee, mileage, and parking will be reimbursed.

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## GGEA's Human Rights Committee

**March is Women's History Month:** Looking for great resources to share with your students for Women's History month? [CTA.org](https://www.cta.org) is a great place to start:

<https://www.cta.org/awareness-events/womens-history-month>. Human Rights invites

you to share any lessons or activities you do in your classroom with GGEA by contacting [humanrights@ggea.org](mailto:humanrights@ggea.org)

**2021-2022 Cesar E. Chavez and Dolores Huerta Education Award Program:** CTA wants to recognize "educators and students who demonstrate an understanding of the vision and guiding principles embraced by Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta." Award categories include written essay and visual arts. Pre-K through higher education entries welcomed. The deadline for entries is **March 4th**. Here is the link for further information. <https://www.cta.org/for-educators/scholarships-awards/cesar-chavez-and-dolores-huerta-award>

**GGEA HR Committee** meets 1st Monday of the month on Zoom at 3:30 pm: ID number: 987 0501 4658 Passcode: GGEAHR

**IFT Grants**

All eligible CTA members may apply for an Educator grant (up to \$5,000) or an Impact grant (up to \$20,000). Learn more about IFT and how to apply online at [www.cta.org/ift](http://www.cta.org/ift)

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**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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