

### **June 2014**



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#### From the President...

It is always bittersweet coming to the end of a school year. I am always proud of the work which I and my students have accomplished during the school year. So too I am proud of all the HCEA members, not just for your work in the classroom but for your never-ending efforts to advocate for our schools and our profession. However, this year is more bitter than it is sweet. It is sad watching our friends and colleagues leave for other counties with better opportunities. It is distressing for us to face yet another year of frozen salaries.

Our County Executive, our County Council and our Board of Education have once again failed us. They once again have refused to listen to our pleas and our protests. They once again have sent the message to teachers that we are expendable. It is time we take our protests to the ballot box. It is time we act to replace the Harford County leaders who support the status quo. It is time for us to make a change.

HCEA has endorsed candidates who support public education. We believe these candidates give teachers and students the best chance to have the kind of schools they deserve. These candidates have been vocal supporters of public education and have assured us that they intend to make positive changes for teachers. We must support our endorsed candidates. We must help our endorsed candidates to get elected by canvassing, phone banking, posting yard signs, working polls on election day and most importantly, voting.

Every HCEA member must engage in the election process. Every HCEA member must act to make the changes we want. The current leadership has proven that they will not act on our behalf. We must make a change. We must take our protests and efforts to the ballot box on election day. Every HCEA member must educate their family, friends, community and neighbors about our plight and encourage them to vote with us. To make a change, we must get voters to the polls who will vote for our endorsed candidates.

HCEA will be contacting you to ask you to volunteer your time to elect pro-public education candidates. We need every HCEA member to commit to volunteering to help out. Even if you can only give an hour or two, every little bit helps. We also need teachers to post yard signs for endorsed candidates in their yards. Please contact me if you have any questions, are willing to post yard signs or are ready to volunteer. We can win but we must do this together. Stand Strong with HCEA!

Upcoming Events Make your vote count for 6/12 The Last Day of the your students, your school, and your career. 2013-14 School Year 6/24 **Primary** MD APPLE BALLOT COM **Election Day** \*\*\*We need volunteers to work the polls.\*\*\* 7/28-7/30 MSEA Summer to find recommended state and local pro-public education Leadership Retreat candidates for your district. \*\*\*\*Contact rburbey@mseanea.org if you would like to attend\*\*\*



## Endorsed Candidates

### **COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

Barry Glassman

### **COUNTY COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

James Thornton

### HARFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

District A – Jansen Robinson

District B – Robert Frisch

- District E Barney Michel
- District F Michael Hitchings

### HARFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

District A – Dion Guthrie

District C – Gina Kazimir

District E – Duvowel Peaker

District F – Joseph Smith

### MD HOUSE OF DELEGATES

District 34A - Pat Murray District 35B - Andrew Cassilly

### MD SENATE

District 35 – Bridget Kelly

I am asking all HCEA members to vote for the HCEA endorsed candidates regardless of party affiliation. Our Government relations Committee, HCEA Board of Directors and I feel that these candidates give us the best possible chance to ensure our schools are properly funded and our teachers' contracts are honored. Please encourage your family and friends to vote for our endorsed candidates as well. We can change the political dynamic and the state of education funding in Harford County if we elect leaders who truly make teachers, students and our public schools their number one priority. Ryan Burbey, President-HCEA

All HCEA Members Must Vote June 24th !!!

### <u>Governor</u> Anthony Brown

<u>Comptroller</u> Peter Franchott

Attorney General Brian Frosch





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### Member Incentive for Recruitment Efforts

HCEA is offering an incentive to current members who help in our new member recruitment efforts. From now until August, HCEA will give you a \$25 gift card for each new member you recruit. Simply advise the non-member to complete a member application. You then sign your name on the bottom of the application, make a copy, send the original to our offices and the copy to MSEA. Once we receive and process the enrollment we will send you a \$25 gift card.

In addition, you will also be eligible for MSEA's limited time new member recruitment incentive. MSEA will enter your name into a \$25 gift card drawing for every eligible application they receive by July 11, 2014.

For help in you recruitment efforts and a membership application visit our website "<u>http://harfordcea.org/</u>".

If you have any questions call 410-838-0800.

## JUNE 2

We're at the bargaining table, and in board rooms, council AUGUST 31! chambers, and the State House fighting for professional respect and the funding students, schools, and educators need for success!

Enroll in your local professional association between April 1 and August 31 and pay no dues until November 7!

Join your local association now and pay no dues until November 7. You'll get many of the benefits of membership, including the exclusive NEA Educators Employment Liability (EEL) coverage that protects you from personal financial liability stemming from employment-related lawsuits.

Join now and you'll get immediate access to the EEL program and more, including:

- NEA Accidental Death and Dismemberment Plan
- NEA Group Term Life Insurance Plan
- NEA Members Auto & Home Insurance Program
- NEA Car Rental Program
- NEA Credit Card Program
- NEA Magazine Service

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Learn more about your local professional association! Visit www.harfordcea.org, or call 410/838-0800.





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As a participant in the local association/see above/Maryland State Education Association/National Education Association Early Enrollment Membership Incentive Plan, I am eligible to receive prior to September 1, 2014 (but in no event before April 1, 2014) benefits under the NEA Educators Employment Liability (EEL) Program, as well as access to select NEA Member Benefits programs. As a condition of eligibility for these benefits, I agree to pay the appropriate unified Active membership dues for the 2014-2015 membership year in accordance with established payment procedures. Should I fail to do so, my eligibility to receive benefits under the NEA EEL Program shall immediately terminate. In addition, I shall be liable for the cost of any benefits that were provided to me under the NEA EEL Program prior to September 1, 2014.

EEL Program coverage from date of signature below (April 1, 2014 through August 31, 2014) is available only to individuals who are joining the Association for the first time as Active members for the 2014-2015 year.

Payroll Deduction Authorization: I authorize continuing payment or deduction of dues in the sum determined by my local affiliate, the Maryland State Education Association and the National Education Association, each year, unless I revoke this authorization in writing to my local affiliate by such time as is designated in my local affiliate's collective bargaining agreement or my local affiliate's policy. In case of my resignation or termination, the board of education shall deduct the balance of my yearly dues from my final check. Dues payments are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

SIGNATURE

DATE

Yes! I want to see our elected officials stand up for public education and my students. Thereby au	thorize the following contribution to the Fund for Children and Public
Education of NEA, MSEA, and my Local Association to build a strong voice for educators:	
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The NEA Fund for Children and Public Education (NEA Fund) collects voluntary contributions from Association members which are used for political purposes, including, but not limited to, making contributions to and expenditures on behalf of friends of public education who are candidates for federal office. Only U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents may contribute to the NEA Fund. Contributions to the NEA Fund are voluntary, making a contribution is neither a condition of employment nor membership in the Association, and members have the right to refuse to contribute without suffering any reprisal. Contributions to the NEA Fund are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Federal iaw requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation, and name of employer for each individual whose contributions aggregate in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. I understand that I am making a joint contribution and that one-third of my contribution will go to the NEA Fund, one-third to the MSEA Fund and one-third to the local Fund. Federal law prohibits the NEA Fund from receiving donations from persons other than members of NEA and its affiliates, and their immediate families. All donations from persons other than members of NEA and its affliates, and their immediate families, will be returned forthwith.

RETAIN A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS

REFERRED BY:

LOCAL ASSOCIATION:





Great Public Schools for Every Child

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# Are you working for HCPS this Summer?

If your are doing summer work for HCPS that is not specifically summer school or developing curriculum, you must be paid your per diem rate.

Some positions that this may affect are:

Special Educators

School Psychologists

Guidance Counselors

Occupational Therapists

Early Childhood Intervention Teachers

HCEA is prepared to file a grievance for any member who is not being paid appropriately.

If you have questions Contact HCEA Immediately!

## **EVALUATIONS ISSUES**

Several Administrators are not properly following the evaluation model. HCEA has filed an appeal in this matter. However, you must <u>carefully</u> check to make sure your administrator is following the evaluation model properly.

> The model can be downloaded at this link: <u>HCPS/HCEA 2013-14 Evaluation Model</u>

Contact HCEA <u>immediately</u> if you believe your administration is not adhering to the current evaluation model.

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#### HARFORD COUNTY COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS

#### IF YOU WANT TO VOTE FOR EDUCATION, TEACHER STEPS, AND SOLID EDUCATION FOR OUR STUDENTS....VOTE FOR THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES:



District A Jansen Robinson – BOE Dion Guthrie - CC 1-01 Joppa 1-03 Edgewood 1-04 Joppa 1-05 Edgewood 1-06 Edgewood 1-06 Abingdon 1-15 Abingdon 1-19 Edgewood 1-23 Joppa	District B Robert Frisch – BOE TBA - CC 1-02 Joppa 1-07 Joppa 1-08 Bel Air 1-09 Abingdon 1-11 Abingdon 1-21 BelAir 3-03 Fallston 3-06 Fallston 3-07 Joppa 3-13 Bel Air 4-02 Fallston 4-05 Fallston		B COUNTY (	NTY EXECUTIVE: Garry Glassman COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Games Thornton
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**Know Your Contract** 

8.7 Planning Periods. Teachers in secondary schools shall receive not less than 225 minutes of unassigned planning time on a weekly basis and shall be scheduled for one unassigned planning period per day of not less than forty-five (45) consecutive minutes. Neither this provision, nor 8.8 below will apply during times when the normal school schedule must be adjusted during emergencies; or in cases when an individual teacher has requested in writing to teach more than the usual number of periods for teachers in that subject in that school, or in the case of a teacher who volunteers for other school activities during the scheduled unassigned planning period.

8.8 The unassigned planning time provided on a weekly basis for elementary teachers shall not be less than 225 minutes. Teachers in elementary schools shall be scheduled for unassigned planning time during the regular day for students in increments of not less than thirty (30) consecutive minutes per day.

Evaluation Conferences and other meetings should not be scheduled during minimum unassigned planning time.

If you have questions about the Grievance Process contact the HCEA office 410 838-0800.



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### Enter Now

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Look under the Discounts tab, and then click on "Car Rental."



**JUNE 201** 

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Independent Consultant 410-322-0466 crawfie01@aol.com https://chrystiec-s.scentsy.us



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