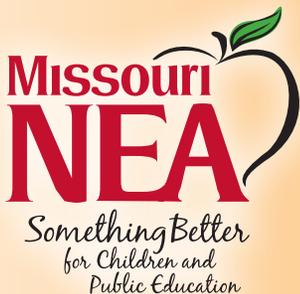


Why
**Education
Support
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Join Missouri NEA

The Leader in Public Education Employee Advocacy



UNITE. INSPIRE. LEAD.

MNEA Membership

Missouri NEA membership is your ticket to a wide array of benefits that help you provide the best possible education for Missouri's students and give you the financial advantage that comes with the buying power of the 3-million-member NEA. Following are the highlights of the benefits every member enjoys.

As an education support professional, you are a key player on the education team that prepares Missouri's children for the future.

Without you, kids wouldn't get extra help and attention, the bell wouldn't ring, the buses wouldn't run, the budgets wouldn't be finalized, the phones wouldn't be answered, nutritious meals wouldn't be served, and classrooms wouldn't be safe and clean. Without you, education wouldn't happen.

But these days it's getting harder and harder to do your job. School budgets are stretched to the breaking point, and you're expected to do more with less. Your association knows what you're up against and keeps you connected to your profession, to your peers and to your community.

You have Missouri NEA and NEA behind you, supporting you with advocacy, information and money-saving programs.

MNEA AND NEA HELP ESPs

- Bargain better contracts. Win better pay, benefits and working conditions.
- Access professional development and leadership training.
- Find affordable coverage with life, disability, auto and home insurance programs.
- Get credit, loan, savings, investment and discount services.
- Have tough and effective representation in job-related disputes through MNEA's UniServ program.
- Speak out for their concerns in state legislatures and in the U.S. Congress.
- Stay informed through NEA and MNEA publications and websites.
- Let the local community know what you do for public education.
- Foster your access to and use of technology through training, grants, the Internet and educational

ADVOCACY AND REPRESENTATION

- Immediate, personal assistance from trained local leaders and professional staff (Call your UniServ director at the first hint of trouble. Many situations can be resolved informally in the early stages.)
- Collective bargaining assistance for your salary, benefits, working conditions and job security (No other organization matches MNEA's expertise and experience on this issue.)
- \$4 million professional liability insurance in your employment
- Workshops on school safety, school-employee rights and responsibilities, collective bargaining and school finance
- Legal representation to all members accused of abuse or neglect (False allegations of abuse comprise a large percentage of the cases MNEA funds each year.)
- Members also get two free half-hour consultations with an attorney each year for personal matters, such as traffic violations, consumer protection, domestic relations, real estate issues and wills and estates. Additional time needed beyond your "free" time is billed to you at a 30 percent discount.



FREE INSURANCE

As a new NEA member, you are covered with \$15,000 in life insurance at no cost to you for one year! You can keep it, increase it or drop it after this school year—whichever meets your needs.

Plus you will have \$200 in life insurance that accrues each year by \$200 until it reaches \$1,000—again at no cost to you. This is your free life insurance as long as you are an NEA member.

And there is more! You also have \$50,000 in accidental death life insurance the moment you join NEA. It covers any accident that happens while you are performing your education employment or association leadership duties.

Go to www.neamb.com/insurance to register your NEA complimentary life insurance beneficiary.

POLITICAL ACTION

MNEA members decide if office holders and candidates measure up on education issues. Trained members meet in local groups to interview candidates and report their findings to the Political Action Committee council, which the MNEA Representative Assembly elects. The PAC council also reviews the voting records of officeholders. Only at the end of this process does MNEA PAC recommend candidates who measure up for children and public education.

YOUR VOICE AT THE CAPITOL

MNEA membership gives you a voice in policy making and decisions that improve education, fund public schools, reduce class size, ensure safe schools, secure technology resources, protect your retirement and the education profession, and expand community involvement in schools. In addition, MNEA delivers:

- Full-time lobbyists working on your behalf in the Missouri legislature and U.S. Congress
- Online Legislative Action Center that makes communication about education issues with your legislators easy
- Daily and weekly state and federal legislative updates when legislators are in session
- Campaigns to elect pro-education lawmakers and work to defeat dangerous ballot issues like the Amendment 3, which aimed at evaluating teachers primarily on student performance mandating more testing and a one-size-fits-all approach to education

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MISSOURI NEA/NEA ESP RESOURCES

The MNEA/NEA ESP Website Advantage

At www.mnea.org, you'll find information about MNEA, the latest news on issues important to public education and education employees and information about professional development opportunities.

At www.nea.org/esp, MNEA members can take advantage of new tools and services available on the Internet. You'll find the latest information on everything from IDEA regulations to tips on how to prepare for an evaluation—in short, information, publications and resources you can't get anywhere else!

MNEA ESP Conference

You'll find professional development and networking opportunities at this annual MNEA spring conference. Find details at www.mnea.org.

NEA and MNEA ESP Listservs

NEA's ESP listserv is an automated email list open to all NEA members. Listserv members use the ESP list to discuss issues that concern support professionals within the NEA. Sign up for this electronic mail network at www.nea.org/home/19594.htm.

MNEA's listserv, MO-NEA-ESP, offers a communication outlet just for MNEA ESPs. Sign up for this listserv at www.mnea.org.

National Council for ESPs

NCESP works within NEA to represent the specific interests of education support professionals. Any active NEA ESP member is eligible for membership. Find more information at www.nea.org.

BIG DISCOUNTS

Members-Only Discounts

Members Only hosts a network of more than 300,000 retail locations nationwide offering MNEA members everyday discounts, special pricing and added features on consumer products and group insurance programs, professional development opportunities, details on legal benefits and MNEA news.

Cell Phones & Tech

Learn how you can save 15-18 percent on your wireless phone plan without a new contract or changing your plan.

Also, find great deals and discounts here on phones and accessories, computers and electronics, Bose sound systems, and subscriptions with leading broadband service providers.

Credit Cards

Apply for an NEA credit card and earn reward points that can be redeemed for cash, merchandise or travel that is not subject to blackout dates or limited travel partners. Visit www.neamb.com and choose the card that is best for you. You can even receive a \$100 credit with your new card and up to three percent cash back.

Money Markets and Savings Accounts

Discover how easy it is to save and earn higher rates with your online savings account, money market account or certificate of deposit with NEA-sponsored programs. Members earn a special \$20 bonus on each new account.

Click & Save

This exclusive online shopping service helps members and their families save on brand-name merchandise from hundreds of top retailers and online stores. In addition to discounts and special offers, each purchase earns members points that convert to cash to spend on future purchases.

Free Insurance

Members receive, at no cost to them, insurance coverage of \$50,000 for job-related accidental death and dismemberment; up to \$1,000 in basic life insurance; and up to \$5,000 for accidental death and dismemberment that is not job related. New members also have \$15,000 in life insurance their first year, which may be kept (or increased) and converted to an individual ongoing plan.

Free Magazines

NEA members get two free magazines each year. Order *Instructor*, filled with innovative and practical teaching ideas and a leading resource for K-8 teachers, or choose from a list of 40 popular magazines for your classroom, personal use or gift subscription.

Car Insurance

If you use MNEA's endorsed auto insurance, you pay zero deductible if your vehicle is vandalized or suffers collision damage while on or within 500 feet of school property, or while away from school on a school-authorized activity. This members-only benefit can save you \$250-\$500 per occurrence. MNEA members also get low group rates that are locked in for a year and can choose to pay over 10 or 12 months.

Renters/Homeowners Insurance

No matter where you choose to live, NEA covers you. Designed for educators, this policy offers coverage up to \$500 for lost or stolen fundraising cash or goods, \$3,000 for personal property used at school or at educational events away from home, and identity-theft protection at no cost.

Loans

Do you have debt you need to consolidate? Planning to purchase or refinance a home? Personal loans are available for \$5,000 to \$25,000 on your signature with affordable monthly payment terms up to 72 months and no application fees. Close your home loan with NEA's program and receive a \$500 gift card.

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