



Newark Teachers Association

Member Update

What is NTA doing for you?



NJHS - We Support You!

We would like to express both our appreciation and support for the staff of NJHS this week. Repeated serious behavior incidents at the Jr. High have not been adequately addressed and student behavior continues to deteriorate. This includes an incident where a student assaulted a teacher. This month, the NTA and CSEA members at the Jr. High passed votes of no confidence in their administrator.

This collective action has had a significant impact. Several staff members from the District Office, including Dr. Triplett and Mr. Dolowich have been regularly visiting the Jr. High campus and helping to supervise during breaks. Additionally, it was announced today that the current Jr. High principal will not be returning for the next school year. NTA would like to give a special shout-out to Lorri Eddings, the Jr. High's **superstar** site rep, who took the

lead in organizing this action and making sure our member's voices were heard and taken seriously.

The staff at NJHS still have significant concerns about campus safety between now and the end of the school year. They are waiting to hear from the District Office about a plan to ensure the safety of our Jr. High students and staff for the rest of the school year.

Thank you, NJHS for demonstrating what is possible when we act in unity.

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THIS MONTH'S
TOP STORIES



Red Shirt Day!

From now until the end of the year, NTA asks that you wear red EVERY THURSDAY. Each week, we will be providing doughnuts and coffee for the site with the highest percent participation. Lost your NTA shirt? Don't worry! Anything red will do!

Our recorded participation improved nearly 40% between our first two events, and the number of sites reporting in has improved by 50%. So far, Kennedy has been unstoppable with 95% and 85% participation. BGI and Schilling also deserve honorable mention for logging more than 50% participation both weeks so far.

Site Reps, please make sure that you are counting members wearing red every Thursday and logging your data. Let's make Kennedy work for those doughnuts!

NEA Representative Association

NTA is currently looking for two people to go to the NEA RA. What is the NEA RA? It is a National convention of teachers from around the country. The RA will take place in Chicago from July 1st to July 6th. During the RA you will meet lots of great people from our local region of Acosta. Also you'll be able to meet great people from all over the United States. In

the past candidates for president of the United States have come to speak to us during the RA. I am sure Joe Biden or Joe Biden will speak to us during this RA. You also are able to go to a Chicago White Sox game fully paid for by Acosta and they'll even give you money to get food.

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Staffing MOU

NTA and NUSD have come to an agreement regarding the staffing process for this year. In this MOU, Musick staff receive first priority for choosing sites for next school year. This process has been completed, and the incredible team at Musick has decided to move together to found the sixth grade team at NJHS. Next, any interested NTA member will be able to apply for voluntary transfer to the sixth grade if they are interested in doing so. Current sixth grade teachers will not need to apply for these positions, but interviews will be held for other members interested in moving to sixth grade.

During the week of May 2, all sites should hold staffing meetings. Members will have the opportunity to select assignments at their sites in seniority order. Any members who find themselves without an assignment at their current site will go into a pool of displaced teachers. Displaced teachers will be given a list of openings, and will be considered for those open positions based on seniority.

While we acknowledge that this process will be difficult for many members, we hope that it functions as smoothly as possible. Please keep your site rep informed of your concerns related to this staffing process as we work through it.

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E-Board Elections

You should have received an email from “Newark Teachers Association” on Monday with the e-Board ballot for next school year. The last day to vote for your executive board is this Friday, April 1. Please make sure to submit your ballot before Friday. If you're still interested in being more involved in NTA, but missed the opportunity to put yourself on the ballot, please keep in mind that we will be looking for members to join the bargaining team and to act as site reps next year.

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