



Webster Groves NEA Information Sheet for New Teachers

We know you have a choice about which professional organizations you would like to join. We hope you will consider the National Education Association.

Let's start with benefits of joining WGNEA: (including membership in Missouri NEA and NEA)

- Immediate access to an MNEA attorney for matters related to termination, non-renewal or Missouri Children's Division.
- A \$4 million educator employment liability (EEL) policy. The coverage includes up to \$4 million in damages and legal fees for the defense of most job-related civil lawsuits and up to \$35,000 reimbursement for attorney fees in defending criminal charges arising out of job-related incidents.
- All MNEA members and their immediate families are entitled to two free 30-minute consultations every year with MNEA participating attorneys for legal matters outside employment related matters.
- MNEA members and their immediate families are entitled to a 30 percent discount with participating MNEA attorneys in five core areas of the law: wills and estates, real estate, domestic relations, consumer protection and traffic violations.
- life, health, disability, and casualty insurance programs.
- credit, loan, savings, investment, and discount services.
- on-the-job liability insurance of up to \$1 million.
- representation of your concerns in state legislatures and in the U.S. Congress.
- Association news through NEA publications and on its Web site.
- Professional Development and leadership training.
- Discounts at theme parks, travel, etcetera

We have WGNEA representatives throughout the district to help you, should you decide to join us:

Executive Members:

President -	Jaime Adamski	(WGHS)
Vice President -	Brooke Dyer	(Ambrose)
Membership Chair -	Clint Woodfin	(Bristol)
Treasurer -	Susi Riegel	(WGHS)

Building Representatives:

Brooke Dyer	(AFC)
Heather Mosley & Jenn Pupillo	(Avery)
Beth Gibson	(Clark)
Kelly Williams	(Hixson)
Peter Eckrich	(Edgar Road)
Vacant	(Hudson)
Vacant	(Givens)

We are seeking building representatives at Hudson and Givens. Should you need assistance and you work in those buildings please feel free to contact any of the Executive Members.

WGNEA strives to stay abreast of issues directly impacting teachers and students in our district and beyond. We have established strong connections with our Board and Central Office and hope to continue working in symphony to make WG a better district for all stakeholders.

In addition to advocacy, WGNEA will also be hosting free member workshops periodically throughout the year. Watch your email for dates and topics such as:

Social Media Safety:

Learn about the Do's and Don'ts of managing your social media accounts as a public educator. Where are the boundaries between your right to free speech on social media and an employer's right to discipline? Presented by MNEA's Associate General Counsel, Vincenzo Iuppa.

Effective Conversations with Evaluators:

Implementing successful professional growth plans and using student growth data in teacher evaluations requires productive discussions about your professional practice. Learn the elements of quality professional conversations with colleagues and supervisors that can lead to improved evaluations and more personal job satisfaction. Presented by MNEA's Teaching & Learning Director, Ann Jarrett.

Reducing Student Loan Debt Workshop:

This presentation focuses on how teachers who teach in "high impact school" can get a portion of their Stafford and Perkins loans forgiven. This workshop also provides extensive information about Public Service Loan Forgiveness.

Thank you for deciding to teach in the Webster Groves School District! We hope that you will join the over 150 other colleagues that belong to WGNEA.

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