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ETIWANDA TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

...representing the teachers of the Etiwanda Elementary School District

www.etiwandateachers.org

Etiwanda Teachers Association Hotline

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President's Message



Hello Etiwanda Teachers,

Wow!...time is flying by as we are now in the 2nd trimester and quickly approaching our Fall Break....then count down to winter break!! (18 days following Thanksgiving...can you tell, I've already made plans for the holidays???) I know that you all are working really hard and I just wanted to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude to all Etiwanda Teachers.

I am delighted and humbled to serve as your ETA President. Delighted and humbled... to serve a wonderful group of outstanding educators whose teaching is changing the world one student at a time. As we approach the holiday season, I want to wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving and enjoy spending time with your loved ones.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns or suggestions. My phone is on 24 hours and I try to respond back to emails within a day. All of ETA's leadership is dedicated to helping you and to protect your rights.

Sincerely,

Sonya Scott

ETA President

I want to say Happy Thanksgiving to everyone. It is during this Thanksgiving time that we should all stop and think of the things that we are truly Thankful for. I am thankful for the people that I work with and the students that I serve. I could not have hoped for a better group of people to call coworkers and friends. I would like to wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving. I could not think of a better place to be a teacher than with all of you in Etiwanda.

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Scholarships for members and dependents.



There are numerous scholarships available to members. A few are listed below and please go to the linksee the the full details.

CTA SCHOLARSHIP FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN

This program based on academic achievement provides up to 35 scholarships in the amount of \$5,000 each to dependent children of active, retired or deceased CTA members. In addition, the highest-scoring applicant is awarded the Ralph J. Flynn Memorial Scholarship

CTA SCHOLARSHIP FOR MEMBERS

This program offers up to five scholarships in the amount of \$3,000 each to current CTA members completing college coursework.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This CTA scholarship is given in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to aid members of ethnic minorities in preparation of teaching related careers in public education. Applicants must be active CTA members, Student CTA or a dependent of a CTA member.

The scholarships have deadlines that start in January and most have deadlines than are in February. Last year, two dependents of an Etiwanda teacher were awarded with scholarships. This is a great opportunity to get some of those dues back that we have been paying. Take advantage of this money that is out there to help yourself and/or your kids. Extra money for college is always a helpful item for our families.



KNOW YOUR CONTRACT!

Article XI

Absence and Leave Provisions

G. Service as a Witness or Juror

There shall be no deductions from pay for the absence of certificated employees for jury duty. The Governing Board however recognizes that it is less disruptive to instruction when teachers are present as much as possible throughout the regular school year. Therefore, if certificated employees are willing and able to defer or postpone their jury service until the District's scheduled summer vacation, Thanksgiving, Winter or Spring break such employees will be paid for their jury service. The amount of compensation will be the long term substitute teacher rate in effect on the first day of actual jury service.

Do you have a current copy of the current contract?

Copies of the contract are available online at www.etiwandateachers.org or

Visit Etiwanda School District Website.



NEA Grants

Looking for a grant through NEA? Check out the link to look into available grants through NEA. There are various grants available with varying deadlines to meet. Take a look at the NEA website and see if there is anything that can help you in the classroom.



There are over 5,000 grants for 700 dollars each to help fund field trips. These will be awarded in January 2013. Other grants are sooner than this.

<http://www.nea.org/grants/1649.htm?chunk=1>

*Do you have a suggestions for the ETA Newsletter or website?
Please send your feedback to John McCormack, ETA Vice President
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TREASURER REPORT

Happy fall ETA members!

It is amazing how fast time flies, can you believe it is already November? With a third of the school year finished it is a great time for a financial update ETA members'. We are doing well financially this year. Currently, research is being conducted on Nonprofit CPA's. This is necessary as we will have an audit at the end of our fiscal year in 2012. The upcoming months look bright as well. The budget for next year is in the works too. If there is something you would like to have considered into the budget please let me know.

Happy fall and my wishes for a wonderful November and December!

Christine Sabala
ETA Treasurer