



<u>Save the date!</u> NEA-NM leaders are gathering in Albuquerque from June 15th to June 17th to build a stronger Union. Please see the following breakouts:

Local Leaders Networking

We are experiencing this challenging time together and it is time to come together in-person and share our collective stories. The Leadership Track will begin by engaging in deep conversation and listening around how we truly are Better Together! Please include your current Executive Team plus one – a member that you would consider a future leader. Come network and have fun, share, and coalesce around our shared values that drive this work. Leave with some

helpful information, new friends, a plan, and reinvigoration around our collective voice and values and the NEA-NM family that supports it.

New Teacher/Educational Assistant Retreat

NEA New Mexico is thrilled to offer an in-person New Teacher/Educational Assistant Retreat! At this year's retreat, Early Career Educators (ECEs) will have a chance to learn from and share with accomplished New Mexico educators, network with association leaders from around the state and work with other ECEs in collaborative and interactive sessions to deepen skills and knowledge. When ECEs walk away from this summer's retreat, not only will they have gained professional tools that can be applied in their classrooms, they will also have access to ongoing learning and support throughout the 22-23 school year.

Association Representatives Convening

NEA-NM is excited to offer training for our dedicated worksite leaders and those who engage daily with our members, potential members and school leaders. The member leaders who support and represent their colleagues are vital to our association. Please join us in this training to network, have some fun and learn skills which will help you support others. We encourage your attendance, regardless of how long you have served in this position, and we look forward to seeing you there.

Ed. Justice Fellowship: Call for Applications and Summer Convening

NEA-New Mexico is pleased to announce a call for the Education Justice Fellowship applications. Fellows will learn about social/racial justice, develop leadership and organizing skills, meet regularly with local affiliate leadership, and carry out education justice projects to advance education justice in the state during a year-long fellowship program. Please share the call for applications with your NEA-New Mexico networks and interested colleagues. Applications are due April 30. For more information, please visit our EdCommunities page. Please visit this link to hear what last year's Fellows had to say. The newly selected Fellowship cohort will both launch at and be a part of the Summer Leaders Convening.

Register ►

Celebrate Diversity

The Read Across New Mexico program is a collaboration between NEA-NM, the NM Public Education Department, and the NM Early Childhood **Education and Care** Department aiming to promote the NEA Read Across America theme of "Celebrating a Nation of Diverse Readers" by highlighting the importance of diverse, linguistically and culturally responsive books and literacy activities for young students in Early Childhood Education (ECE) programs across New Mexico.



Learn More ▶

Let's Grow and Advocate Together!

Thank you **Anita** and **Teresita** from Bernalillo for your efforts to strengthen our Union and schools for a better future for New Mexico!

All educators that are not currently members are eligible to join our union for free and not pay dues until September 1, 2022.

We challenge each of you to approach your colleagues and invite them to join NEA by simply sharing our online join now link with pride.



Watch Video ▶

Support Educators Today, and Every Day!

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 2-6, 2022. We are saying 'thank you' this week, and throughout the year, to the extraordinary educators who have worked tirelessly with students and families to keep things moving forward despite such an unpredictable year.



We Appreciate You ►

Take Note of...

May 2022: Read Across New Mexico!

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- Correct Your Posture Month
- International Drum Month
- Jewish-American Heritage Month
- National Barbecue Month
- National Bike Month
- National Wildfire Month



