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**To solve educator
shortages, we need
long-term strategies,
not short-term gimmicks**



New report provides

solutions to mitigate educator shortage

School districts and elected officials can solve this "five-alarm crisis" by making public education an attractive career path.

A new report released by the National Education Association provides research-based solutions to help mitigate the educator shortage crisis gripping Missouri public schools. The white paper explains a wide variety of long-term strategies and solutions that are effective at recruiting and retaining educators, and most importantly, reflect the needs and priorities of educators themselves.

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Tuesday, Nov. 8

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MNEA members are Democrats, Republicans, and Independents. The issues that unite us are protecting children, improving public schools, and providing quality education. Be ready to vote for pro-public education candidates Nov. 8, 2022.

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FREE

DID YOU KNOW
MNEA supports **National Board Certification Candidates** with **BOOST DAYS?**

Sat., Nov. 5

Missouri NEA

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National Board Certification

MNEA hosts three NBC candidate workdays each year to support first-time candidates, advanced candidates, and renewal candidates submitting one or more components during the 2022-2023 school year. The MNEA NBCT Network provides this free opportunity for candidates. Non-members are welcome to attend.

- [Bring a photo ID.](#)
- [Verify your polling place address.](#)

Current NBCTs are invited to register to mentor candidates and assist with logistics.

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Register by Nov. 3.
9 AM—3 PM | Sat., Nov. 5
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Don't Miss the Oct. 31 Deadline



LAST CHANCE WEBINAR

The Public Service Loan Forgiveness Waiver is ending Oct. 31, 2022.

[Attend the NEA Webinar Tues., Oct. 18 at 6 PM.](#)

Since 2021, the Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Waiver has provided \$10 billion in student loan forgiveness for over 175,000 educators and public service workers. After Oct. 31, the program will return to its regular program requirements. This means, if you had any past periods of ineligibility, those will no longer count for PSLF.

MAKE TIME TO COMPLETE YOUR SAVI ENROLLMENT.

Savi is THE tool to help you navigate the red tape of Public Service Loan Forgiveness. This easy, interactive tool will help you find the PSLF plans that you qualify for, and show you which Student Debt Relief program will save the most money. As an MNEA member you receive this tool for **FREE** the first year and \$29.95 each year thereafter.

Savi will help you find legitimate ways to get on the path to forgiveness, cancellation or consolidation to save you hard-earned cash.

Questions?

Contact Pam Koetting at pam.koetting@mnea.org or (573) 644-9601.

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Missouri NEA Read-On Tour

February 27—March 3, 2023

Since 1999, MNEA has sponsored a tour to celebrate NEA's Read Across America. MNEA Pres. Phil Murray and MNEA Vice Pres. Rebeka McIntosh will inspire your students to read as they bring a stack of age-appropriate books for your classroom to enjoy for years to come. Apply for a stop on the tour by **Jan. 2, 2023**.

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NEA Foundation Global Fellowship

Kansas City NEA member, Sara Worsfold has been named one of the NEA Foundation's 2023 Global Learning Fellows. Worsfold and 49 other educators from across the country will participate in a **year-long** professional learning experience focused on educating and empowering students for global citizenship, culminating in a **10-day field study in South Africa**.

The NEA Foundation will begin accepting applications for the 2024 Global Learning Fellowship this fall.

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Register for a Virtual Informational Meeting: Oct. 20, 24, 26, and 28.

REGISTER TODAY



Apply Today!

California Casualty awards two members the Music and Arts Grant

Members from North Kansas City NEA and Riverview Gardens NEA receive the 2022 California Casualty Music and Arts Grant.

Among 60 awards, representing 23 states across the country, two Missouri NEA members are recipients of the 2022 California Casualty Music and Arts Grant. All demonstrated a strong financial need that aligned with the purpose of the program – **to keep music and arts in schools.**

Congratulations to the following MNEA members:

Katherine Aubrey, Gracemor Elementary School, North Kansas City NEA
Stephanie Engelmeyer, Moline Elementary School, Riverview Gardens NEA

California Casualty's Music and Arts Grant program receives applications year-round. To be considered for a 2023 award, educators at public K-12 schools can apply for a \$250 Music and Arts Grant at www.calcasmusicartsgrant.com through **June 30, 2023**.

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State Board of Education Report

MNEA Teaching & Learning Director Samantha Hayes and MNEA Vice Pres. Rebeka McIntosh attend the State Board of Education meetings. Read the Sept. 13 meeting report, which includes priorities of the Blue Ribbon Commission of Teacher Recruitment and Retention, updates to MOCAP, Office of Childhood, Normandy Schools, and National Assessment of Educational Progress results show pre- and post-pandemic student assessment trends that reflect Missouri students fared well in the national comparison.

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MACCE Report

The Missouri Advisory Council of Certification for Educators, established within the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, is composed of 25 members appointed by the State Board of Education upon recommendation by the commissioner of education. The MNEA representatives for MACCE are Jacqueline McGill (Hazelwood NEA), Paul Aubrey (North Kansas City NEA), Alexander Tai (Columbia MNEA), Francine Hill (Francis Howell NEA), and Lisa Baldwin (North Kansas City NEA). MNEA Teaching &

Learning Director Samantha Hayes and MNEA Vice Pres. Rebeka McIntosh attend to report on the proceedings. Read the report from the meeting held Sept. 12, 2022.

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NEW! ESP Peer Mentoring Learning Path Course

Whether you are a paraeducator, a school bus driver, or other education support professional (ESP), a peer mentoring program can support you at any stage of your career. NEA's ESPs: Supporting Our Own Through Peer Mentoring is an online opportunity that will guide you and your local association through building a strong mentoring program for Education Support Professionals.

This **free** learning path comprises four online courses that participants may take as an individual or with a team through NEA's Professional Excellence Portal.

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Are you planning a school field trip to a state park or the Missouri Capitol building, and need a little financial support? Apply for the Missouri State Parks Bus Grant to receive up to \$750 for travel expenses. The grants are **first-come, first-served**; so don't wait to submit your application.

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\$1,000

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Fall MNEA Representative Assembly

MNEA's Fall RA will be held at the Hilton Branson Convention Center on Sat., Nov. 19. Local association delegates, MNEA Board of Directors, leaders, and staff attend the Fall RA to conduct Association business.

Deadline to register for the RA and Luncheon is Oct. 28.

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Educators Rising-Missouri students earn high national honors

After placing in the state Educators Rising competitions (sponsored by Missouri NEA) in March 2022, high-school students ventured to Washington, D.C. to compete nationally. **Two Missouri students won scholarships, three earned high honors, ten placed in the top ten within their competition category, and 23 joined the ranks of the National Educators Rising Honor Society.**

The 2023 Educators Rising National Conference is scheduled to take place June 29-July 2, 2023, in Orlando, Florida. Students must first place among the top ten in the state competition in March 2023, to compete at the national level. Find out more at www.mnea.org/edrising.

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3 Graduate Courses for **ONLY \$225**

College credits are expensive! Missouri NEA has joined forces with Virtual Education Software - VESi to offer our members up to nine graduate credits per year from Central Methodist University for an annual fee of only \$225.

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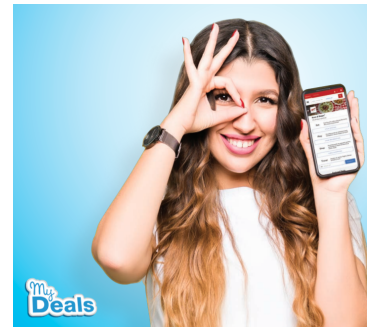


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