

TOP 5 REASONS to Join Missouri NEA



5 Support for Children and Public Education



1 Advocacy and Representation



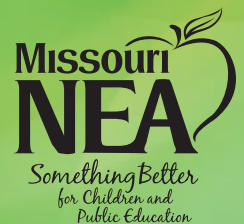
2 Your Voice at the Capitol



3 Professional Resources



4 Big Savings with NEA's
Buying Power



JOIN MISSOURI NEA, MISSOURI'S NUMBER-ONE ADVOCATE FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION.

Missouri NEA membership means benefits that help you provide the best possible education for the students at your school. Following are the highlights of the benefits every member enjoys.

ADVOCACY AND REPRESENTATION

- The backing and the voice that comes with 3.2 million members nationwide
- Collective bargaining assistance for your salary, benefits, working conditions and job security
- Immediate, personal assistance from trained local leaders and professional staff
- Representation by attorneys trained in labor and school law
- \$2 million professional liability insurance in your employment
- Assistance in solving problems at your work site
- Workshops on school safety, school-employee rights and responsibilities, collective bargaining and school finance

PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES

- "I Can Do It" Beginning Teacher Assistance Programs for new teachers
- Beginning Teacher Listserv and Start Smart teacher handbook
- Mentor training
- Local, state and national workshops and conferences for teachers and education support professionals
- NEA Professional Library resources for the classroom
- NEA Foundation Innovation and Learning and Leadership grants
- Information and support for those interested in seeking National Board Certification
- No MORE Bullying program
- Links with fellow members through Internet, e-mail lists and local, state and national publications
- Distance-learning and video graduate-credit programs
- NEA Teacher ToolKit™ with tools for teachers designed by NEA members

BIG SAVINGS WITH NEA'S BUYING POWER

- Access to more than 150,000 discounts ranging from hotels at half price to savings on dining, golf, rental cars, magazines, auto care, recreation and everyday purchases.
- Two free personal legal consultations and discounts on legal services
- Experienced financial planning consultants at your service
- Credit cards, money markets, CDs and more

YOUR VOICE AT THE CAPITOL

MNEA membership gives you a voice in policy making and decisions that improve education, reduce class size, ensure safe schools, secure technology resources and expand community involvement in schools. In addition, MNEA delivers the following:

- Full-time lobbyists working on your behalf in the Missouri legislature and U.S. Congress
- Daily and weekly state and federal legislative updates when legislators are in session
- Campaigns to elect pro-education lawmakers and work on ballot issues that affect public education

SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN AND PUBLIC EDUCATION

- Media campaigns to build community support for education and highlight your successes
- District-wide training to assist locals in building successful family-school-community partnerships
- Annual Read Across America celebration, including educational materials for families and schools
- Local association activities to secure community support and respect for quality education and education employees
- Materials to promote education excellence and parent involvement
- Statewide contests to promote student learning

Membership Form

NEA • Missouri NEA • Local Association SCHOOL YEAR* _____ - _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
Transaction Type:
Keyed By:
Date

**All shaded areas to be completed by Local Association representative*

MEMBERSHIP HISTORY

New NEA member this year YES NO

Student NEA member last year YES NO

Social Security Number (last four digits only) ##-##-____-____-____-____

Name (please print) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

E-mail (Home or Work) _____

Date of Birth _____ Male Female

ETHNIC GROUP ³

American Indian/Alaska Native Hispanic

Asian Multi-racial

African-American Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

Caucasian (not of Spanish origin) Other

Unknown

³ Please read explanation on the back before completing this section.

⁴ As an NEA member, you are automatically covered under the NEA DUES TAB Insurance Program. For more information on this life insurance benefit and to register your beneficiary, visit www.mnea.org/membership/benefits or call (800) 637-4636.

LOCAL ASSOCIATION:

BUILDING NAME:

EMPLOYER:

* MEMBERSHIP TYPE:

DUES

Contributions or gifts to MNEA PAC are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.	NEA/MNEA ¹	*	
	Local	*	
	Subtotal	*	
	PAC ²		
	TOTAL		

¹ Please read explanation on the back.

² Please read required PAC disclaimer on the back.

PAYMENT METHOD

Check/Payment in full (attach check)

Payroll Deduction (complete form below)

MasterCard/Visa
(Credit card payment is available by phone, 800-392-0236.)

LEVEL

POSITION

Elementary Teacher/Subject Area: _____

Middle School Librarian

Junior High Counselor

High School Support Personnel
Position: _____

Higher Education Other _____

Member's Signature _____ Date _____

Association Representative's Signature _____ School District _____

(required only at initial enrollment or if authorizing payroll deduction for first time)

----- Send **top portion** to MNEA Regional Office. Forward **lower portion** to your school payroll department. ----- 

PAYROLL DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION FORM

Name (please print) _____ Social Security Number _____

Total Dues to be Deducted \$ _____ Dues _____ PAC _____

I authorize my employer each year to deduct my membership dues for the unified association and/or PAC contributions unless I revoke this authorization in writing through the association. This authorization shall permit and accept any changes in the amount of dues and/or contributions officially adopted by the respective governing bodies upon certification in writing by the local association. I agree to abide by the constitution and bylaws of each organization.

Signature _____

Membership continues until revoked.

Explanations

1 Dues

For exact dues amounts, call your regional MNEA office (see locations and phone numbers below).

Annual membership dues to the NEA include \$5.15 for *NEA Today*, \$3.10 for *This Active Life* (retired publication), \$3.10 for *Tomorrow's Teacher* (student publication) and \$19.50 for the higher education publications. Publications received by members are based on membership category. Of the total Missouri NEA dues, \$7.50 is for a one-year subscription to *Something Better*.

Membership is open only to those who agree to subscribe to the goals and objectives of the Association and to abide by its constitution and bylaws.

Membership dues are not deductible as charitable contributions but may be deductible under miscellaneous if you itemize deductions on your income tax form.

2 PAC

The Missouri National Education Association Political Action Committee (MNEA PAC) collects voluntary contributions from Association members to use for political purposes, including, but not limited to, making contributions to and expenditures on behalf of friends of public education who are candidates for state and local offices.

Contributions are voluntary and will be retained by the MNEA PAC with ½ to be used by the state and ½ used by local associations. Making a contribution is neither a condition of employment nor membership in the Association, and members have the right to refuse to contribute without suffering any reprisal.

Contributions or gifts to the MNEA PAC are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

State law requires MNEA to report to the Ethics Commission the name and mailing address of any individual whose contributions aggregate in excess of \$100 in a calendar year.

3 Ethnic Group

Ethnic minority information is optional, and failure to provide it will in no way affect your membership status, rights or benefits in NEA, Missouri NEA or any of their affiliates. The information will be kept confidential. This data is collected to ensure ethnic minority guarantees in the governance of the Association.

4 Free Insurance

DUES TAB, free with membership, pays up to \$1,000 for any death from natural causes and up to \$5,000 for any accidental death. It insures every MNEA member for \$50,000 for death or dismemberment resulting from any accident or any assault that occurs while the member is on the job or engaged in an Association leadership activity. It also provides a \$150,000 benefit in the event a member's death results from an unlawful homicide occurring on the job.

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