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# Garden Grove Education Association

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**President: Bridget Holdermann, Electronic Communication AdNotes – Aug 10, 2023
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Good afternoon GGEA members! I hope everyone had a productive first official day back at their sites. For many of us that were welcomed by the Pacifica High School drumline for the Keynote Address at GGHS yesterday, there is a lot to celebrate. First, all of our amazing educators deserve a huge pat on the back for the increase in SBAC test scores across all grade levels and 60.3% of graduates meeting a-g requirements. All of the hard work in the classroom and during extended learning opportunities has resulted in large dividends for GGUSD. Second, I'd also like to thank our team of TOSAs that provide the professional development, giving us the tools we need to help our students succeed. The district ended the Keynote address on a positive note with a performance from students from this year's District musical of "The Little Mermaid."

Several times during the Keynote presentation, SEL and student mental health was mentioned. It's important for the district to also remember the mental health of their employees. I would encourage all of my members to take those mental health breaks when you need them. Make time for those activities that help you to relieve stress: yoga, hiking, art, singing, running, cycling, competitive sports, etc. We'll do a better job of taking care of our students, if we take care of ourselves first.

We have all received the email about our mandatory trainings provided through Keenan Vector Trainings. Your site administrators are supposed to be providing time during staff meetings for all educators to complete the required trainings.

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# Trauma Informed Classroom Management

**In this session, we will discuss how trauma impacts students emotionally, physically, and behaviorally. With that understanding, teachers can implement behavioral strategies that can benefit all students. There will also be discussion and practice on self-regulation as adults.**

When: Wednesday, August 30, 2023

Where: Orange RRC  
281 N Rampart St., Ste. A  
Orange, CA 92868

Time: 4:30pm



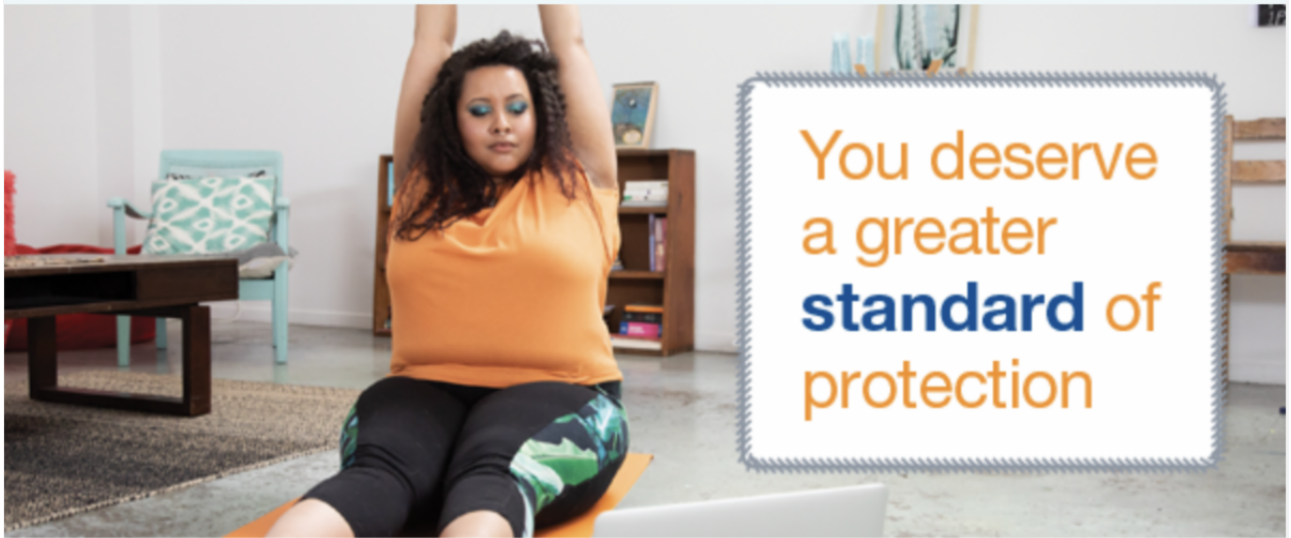
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## Catastrophic Leave Bank

Today you should have received an email from Jason Bevacqua regarding joining and donating a day to the Catastrophic Leave Bank (CLB). If you are already part of the CLB, then a day will automatically be deducted from your accumulated sick leave bank. If you are not already a part of the CLB, please consider filling out the form attached to Jason's email. The deadline to join the CLB is September 30. Several teachers have already benefited from the CLB.

Personally, I don't think I will ever need to make a withdrawal from the Bank. But I'm glad it's there if I need it

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Mental Health Conditions



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Typical monthly cost of a \$100,000 term Life insurance policy in coffee drinks<sup>4</sup>

25-34 years old



35-44 years old



45-49 years old



50-54 years old



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### **Do You Have a Summer Saver or Paycheck Planner Account?**

If Yes: Then I highly recommend visiting your local SchoolsFirst FCU branch to set up a meeting with one of your branch's financial advisors sooner rather than later. We will receive our first paycheck for the 2023/2024 school year on August 31, which means funds may be deposited directly into your account as early as August 30. Changing the maturity date of your Summer Saver is a simple process. However, if your paycheck planner matures on August 30, then it gets more complicated. You will also need to set up new maturity dates for the following summer (2024).

In No: Then I highly recommend visiting your local SchoolFirst FCU branch to set up a summer saver and/or paycheck planner account.

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### **Reminder - Summer Hourly Pay**

Just a reminder, that if you are working or worked extra hours this summer at your site or another site the hourly pay is 1/1000 of group 1, step 1\* = \$61.94. This is also the hourly pay for summer school, summer institute, and super week.


SAVE THE DATE



ORANGE SERVICE CENTER COUNCIL  
FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023

DOUBLETREE BY HILTON  
ANAHEIM/ORANGE COUNTY

 100 The City Drive  
Orange, CA 92868

REGISTRATION  
OPENS IN  
AUGUST!  
COST: \$49

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WE HAVE A NEW GOOGLE FORM FOR ADVOCATE SUBMISSIONS.

*The Advocate is GGEA's monthly newsletter highlighting the fantastic teaching, events, and successes happening across our district.*



SCAN THE QR CODE TO SUBMIT YOUR ARTICLES AND PHOTOS!  
LOOK FOR A LINK IN THE ADNOTES TOO!



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***Together Everyone Achieves More***  
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