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Garden Grove Education Association

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President: Tina Gustin-Gurney, Electronic AdNotes – March 30, 2018

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Have a wonderful spring break!
"Spring breathes new life into the world around us."

GGEA is an association of educators who advocate for the well-being of our membership and the students we serve.

Join GGEA President at School Board mtgs. 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Next Mtg: April 17th, 7:00pm, 5th Floor
The Office of Special Education will be presenting a overview of the programs offered for Special Education at the April 17 School Board meeting. GGEA would like members to attend. Our SpEd Committee will be hosting a pizza dinner before the meeting and we are asking members to fill out forms to help us organize around the needs of our members. There will be prizes too!
Click the link to find out more!
SPEDAtGGUSD

SPRING BREAK
The GGEA Office will be open
8:30-12:30 Monday, April 2-Thursday, April 5.
Tina and Armon will be on vacation and unavailable.
Call Susan or Jenny if you have an emergency
or call CTA 714-978-8861.

Go to ggea.org to learn about your professional organization
Wear your GGEA Blue on Tuesdays to show your GGEA Pride.

Congratulations!
GGEA member Dante Urzua-Ramirez won the CTA Minority-At-Large position for the Orange Service Center. He will be representing all educators in the OSCC. Wilhelmina Burghard and Nicole Ciccarelli were elected as CTA delegates to the NEA RA which is being held this summer in Minnesota. They will represent all members in CTA. We appreciate our own members' service to all union members!
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April Postings
The first posting will be sent to all staff on April 9 due to the first Monday being during Spring Break. Please check your in box of your GGUSD account to see the postings.

Are you Homegrown?
Please be sure to check your inbox for an Evite if you registered as a Homegrown GGUSD employee. There is a celebration in your honor. We need to know how many will attend so please RSVP by April 13. GGUSD, GGEA, GGPPSA, CSEA and Supervisory are coordinating this wonderful celebration. We look forward to seeing our homegrown members there!

Student and Campus Safety Resource
Abby Milone, GGUSD Public Information Officer, recently sent out information to all staff about safety. GGEA has received many calls and emails about safety concerns. At the recent Health and Safety Committee meeting, our GGEA representatives shared the resource paperwork that had been sent. Here is a copy for those who may not have seen it. **SafetyResource**

Necessities Drive
GGEA Community Action Committee is sponsoring a drive to help local families. As you travel over Spring Break, grab those extra toiletries. Donate diapers, toilet paper, or socks to help our community. There is a contest for each segment to win pizza for the school that brings in the most! Click link **Community Action Drive** or check out your GGEA Board.

Consults
The Social Science consults are being formed for Secondary teachers. Please check your school email and respond to **jennyg@ggea.org** when you receive the information. We would like a representative from each school to serve and support the pilot and recommendation process. Email **Tina** if you have questions.

Win a Dodge
CTA endorsed California Casualty insurance company is having a contest to win a car or cash! To enter go to **www.TakeAJourneyWithUs.com**

Upcoming Workshops and Trainings

Interview 101
If you may be transferring to another school or are thinking of moving from elementary to secondary or secondary to elementary, here is a chance to brush up on your interview skills. On April 16, 2018 at 3:30, GGEA and GGUSD will host a workshop to give pointers on how to interview well. Click link here: **Interview 101**

OSCC/CTA Retirement Workshop
It's never too early to learn about your retirement. Basic Info will be shared on Saturday, April 28 at the CTA Orange Office. See link to sign up **CTA STRS**

Dangers of Social Media
Learn the legal Do's and Don't for teachers. Go to CTA Orange Service Center on April 30 from 4:00-5:30 to learn how social media can influence your career. Click here for more info: **Social Media**

Racial and Social Justice in the Classroom
Join other teachers to come together to discuss ways to help our students in the classroom. Saturday, April 21 9:00 am-12:00 at the Orange CTA office. See link to sign up **Social Justice**

OSCC Field Trip to Museum of Tolerance
Join other educators from around Orange County for a guided field trip to the Museum of Tolerance on May 6. The cost is free for CTA members. You may bring a non-member for $75. See the flyer **MuseumofTolerance** for more information.

Reminders:

June Primary
This June there are elections that will affect public education. The Teachers for Local Control PAC has endorsed two candidates for the OCDE school board. Mary Navarro is running for the seat in South County. Learn more about her at **www.votemarynavarro.com**. David Boyd represents parts of Garden Grove and the surrounding area.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction race pits a pro charter advocate against CTA endorsed Tony Thurmond. Tony has spoken at many CTA conferences and has shared how public education made a difference in his life. To learn more about the upcoming campaign go to **www.cta.org/campaign**

Janus vs. AFSCME
The Janus case was argued before the Supreme Court in February. To learn more about this case that could affect our collective bargaining, go to ggea.org and view the Janus power point.

Info for you:

Save Money!
By being a member of GGEA, you are also a member of CTA and NEA. Both organizations have membership benefits that allow you to get discounts. You can save enough money to equal what you spend in dues! Go to **https://www.cta.org/Member-Services/Member-Benefits.aspx** and you can download the app. Or go to **https://www.neamb.com** for national savings.

Attorney Available at the GGEA Office
GGEA provides our members with the opportunity to meet with an attorney for 30 minutes about non-job related issues free of charge. This is on a first come, first served basis. The lawyer is available November 15 & 29 from 3:00-4:30. Please call the GGEA office if you wish to schedule an appointment.

Join the GGEA Facebook Page -Connect with other members!
To join, Facebook members search for "Garden Grove Education Association" and ask to join the group. Allow our administrators 24-48 hours to accept your request. If you are concerned about privacy, please make sure your own Facebook page has privacy settings adjusted before joining GGEA Facebook. Here you can read education articles, see GGEA activities and share your ideas.

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