



Solidarity Report

“We are bound together by the belief that life can be better.” ~ Becky Pringle

Monday Message from Elizabeth

As we begin the fourth week of the school year we continue to work on issues that should have been resolved during preplanning. The work of your union never stops. When the district doesn't respond, we persist. We won't stop working for our members. Take a few minutes to listen to this week's Monday Morning Message.

Click [HERE](#) to listen to a special message from Elizabeth! Scroll to the message listed as 8/31/26.

Sick Leave Bank

The Sick Leave Bank (SLB) is a benefit that is one of the most valuable ways to protect yourself from an unexpected illness or catastrophic health event. The SLB is funded by donation days from employees, which creates a shared pool of sick days that SLB participants can draw upon when the unexpected occurs. Contributions to the bank are voluntary, and you must be a participant of the SLB prior to an illness in order to draw from the bank. When the SLB gets too low, additional contributions may be required.

Don't wait until it is too late, join the Sick Leave Bank today. To learn more - [click here!](#)

Important Calendar Reminders

- **September is Open House Month.** There are no meetings allowed before/after school during open house week. PLCs are allowed, but not on the same day as Open House.
 - Week of Aug. 31st - Sept. 4th - Middle School Open House
 - Week of Sept. 14th - 18th - Elementary Open House
 - Week of Sept. 21st - 28th - High School Open House
- **Monday, Sept. 7th - Labor Day Holiday**
- Week of Sept. 7th - 11th - **No Meeting Week** - Midterm grades due 9/9 - PLCs can occur on Thurs. or Fri.
- **Bargaining Dates for September are listed below.** Bargaining is a public meeting. Members are encouraged to attend!
 - Instructional:
 - Wed., Sept. 2nd - Olson at 4:30 pm
 - Thurs., Sept. 3rd - VUE at 4:30 pm
 - Tues., Sept. 15th - Olson at 4:30 pm
 - Wed., Sept. 16th - VUE at 4:30 pm
 - Support Staff- Wed., Sept. 23rd - Location and time - TBD
 - Trades & Service Professionals - Fri., Sept. 11th - VUE at 10:00 am (Transportation language only)
- **Tues., Sept 8th - VCS Board Meeting** - be there by 5:30 pm for Public Participation at 6:00pm. **WEAR RED!**

VUE Member Benefits!

As a member of VUE, you have access to numerous benefits through FEA, NEA, and AFT. FEA Member Benefits is excited to share the newly redesigned FEA Member Benefits webpage — FEAweb.org/benefits — created to provide members with a more streamlined and accessible way to discover the value available through your union membership.

The redesigned provides:

- Easy access to Member Benefits partners and their available programs and services
- Cost-saving opportunities designed to help members stretch their dollars
- Direct access to NEA and AFT Member Benefits
- Resources and information to help members better understand and utilize their benefits
- A more user-friendly experience for members accessing information from their computer or mobile device

The goal of this redesign is simple: make it easier to find, understand, and use the benefits available to YOU!

