To: All PAT Members  
From: Aliien Tran, Chairperson, PAT Nominations & Elections Committee  
Date: October 17, 2018  
RE: Election of PAT Executive Board Directors and Delegates to the NEA and OEA Representative Assemblies

Nominations for PAT elected positions will open on December 5, 2018, at the December PAT Representative Assembly (RA). Any active PAT member may run for any of the positions listed below. Non-members may not run for any elected position. Candidates must understand and agree to the job requirements of the position for which they seek election, described on the reverse.

Election Schedule:

- Nominations open; campaign activities may begin – Wednesday, December 5, 2018, at the PAT RA
- Nominations close; candidate photos taken – Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at the PAT January RA. Nominations for Executive Board positions close at 5:00 p.m. Nominations for delegate positions close at 7:00 p.m.
- Candidate Speeches – (Executive Board candidates only) - Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at PAT January RA
- Ballots will be sent electronically to members on January 23, 2019.
- Ballots due; campaign activities must end – by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 15, 2019.
- Election date: Votes will be counted at 5:15 p.m. on February 15, 2019

Campaign activities (e.g., distributing materials, having an active website, soliciting other members’ endorsement) may not begin until nominations open and must end at 5:00 p.m. on the date ballots are due. Candidates may not use work time, PPS email or PONY for campaigning. Candidates must read and comply with the election rules stated in the PAT Nominations & Elections Handbook. Nomination Forms and the Handbook will be available by November 1, 2018, at the PAT office and on the website (www.pdxteachers.org).

Open Positions

Executive Board: Four (4) Positions  
Term: July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021  
Responsibilities: Monthly Board and RA meetings, liaison to Building Reps in an assigned zone, liaison to a PAT committee

OEA RA Delegate: Approximately Thirty (30) Positions  
Term: 2019, 2020 and 2021 OEA Representative Assemblies  
Responsibilities: Attend pre-RA training, attend OEA RA, vote on OEA policies, budget, legislative program and OEA officers

NEA RA Delegate: Approximately Twenty-seven (27) Positions  
Term: 2019 NEA Representative Assembly – a one-year term only  
Responsibilities: Attend NEA RA, vote on NEA policies, budget, legislative program, and NEA officers.

[Please see position descriptions on reverse]
2019 PAT Elections – Position Descriptions

EXECUTIVE BOARD – 2-year term (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2021)
The PAT Executive Board oversees the management of the Portland Association of Teachers and approves all expenditures that are not in the annual budget. Board members serve as liaisons to specific schools or zones and to PAT committees. The Executive Board meets once a month. Executive Board members are also expected to attend the monthly PAT Representative Assemblies.

DELEGATE TO NEA REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY (NEA RA) – 1-year term (July 2019)
PAT delegates to the NEA RA join with others in representing Oregon at the National Education Association’s Annual Meeting and Representative Assembly (NEA RA). The NEA RA is the organization’s highest decision-making body. Delegates debate issues impacting American public education, chart the direction of NEA business, and set policy for the 3 million-member Association. With 8,000+ delegates, representing state and local affiliates, student members, retired members, and other segments of the united education profession, it is also the world's largest democratic, deliberative body. The 2019 NEA RA will be held in Houston, Texas, during the first week of July 2019.

NOTE: Election as a PAT NEA RA delegate does not guarantee a stipend from PAT to attend. As of this date, PAT will fund nine (9) of the delegates elected in the 2019 election. The elected delegates will be funded in order of number of votes received; the same process will apply if additional funded positions become available. Delegates who are funded will receive a stipend that covers flight, hotel, and some meals.

Any elected delegate may choose to attend the NEA RA at his/her own expense.

DELEGATE TO OEA REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY – 3-year term (2019, 2020, + 2021)
Delegates attend the annual state convention held each spring in Portland. The OEA RA begins on a Friday evening and concludes late Saturday afternoon, with an optional awards banquet on Saturday night. The 2019 OEA RA will be April 26-27 at Red Lion Hotel on the River, Jantzen Beach. A few weeks prior to the RA, delegates attend the Region 1 Mini RA (approximately 3 hours) at the PAT office for training on the issues and procedures (date and location not yet determined).