

State Council and Service Center Report

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#RedForEd Moves Forward

CTA President Eric Heins credited CTA's Long Term Strategic Plan, adopted by State Council five years ago, for CTA's success in growing the #RedForEd movement in California and helping lead it forward. He led delegates in giving Oakland Education Association leadership a standing ovation for their successful strike and settlement. "[Organizing gets the goods](#)," said OEA President Keith Brown, explaining [that OEA built support for their movement](#) step-by-step, with one-on-one conversations, site-by-site to get the schools and resources their students deserve.

New CTA Officers Elected

(New officers' terms begin June 26, 2019)

President, E. TOBY BOYD
*Current CTA Board member,
District E*

Vice President, DAVID B. GOLDBERG
Current CTA Secretary-Treasurer

Secretary-Treasurer, LESLIE LITTMAN
*Current CTA Board member,
District I*

NEA Board of Directors
District 5: TELLY TSE

CTA Board of Directors
District D: MIKE PATTERSON

District L: MARGIE GRANADO

District P: ROBERTO RODRIGUEZ

CTA/NEA Coordinating Director:
MEL HOUSE

CTA/ABC Committee
District C: LAURA FINCO
District F: JENNIFER WILKIN
District K: WENDY ECCLES
District L: LORRAINE RICHARDS
District P: JESSICA MERSCHTINA
District Q: PATRICK MITCHELL
At-Large: ANDREA REYNA

#RedForEd Day of Action set for May 22

On May 22, [join educators, parents, students and community](#) for a #RedForEd [Day of Action](#) in Sacramento and throughout the state to let legislators know that they must support these bills to protect our students and neighborhood public schools. The rally is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. in Sacramento. Learn more, [RSVP](#) and get involved at [cta.org/redford](#) | #RedForEd | [#KidsNotProfits](#)

New Bills to Support

President Heins thanked delegates for their work in considering and taking action on approximately 300 bills to provide students with the public education they need and deserve. In particular, several of these bills fight the problems presented by privately-managed charter schools that siphon funds from public education. This new package of bills — [SB 756, AB 1505, AB 1506 and AB 1507](#) — will give local communities, districts and school boards more control over charter authorization and renewal, and implement a cap on the number of charters and a moratorium on their proliferation.

Delegates also voted to support [AB 331](#), which would require each school district that doesn't already have an ethnic studies curriculum to offer a course beginning in 2021-22 and require an ethnic studies class be added to high school graduation requirements in the 2023-24 school year.

ESP of the Year

Dan Kivett, president of the Redlands Education Support Professionals Association, was named the 2019 Paula J. Monroe [ESP of the Year](#). In presenting the award, [Heins noted that Kivett has a rich history of involvement and activism](#) in local, state and national issues, including serving as an NEA board member and a CTA State Council delegate. "Dan stands for the dignity and key role of all support professionals in the growth and success of students, and the importance of a strong public education system to our nation's future," Heins said.

Morning Joe

On Sunday morning, CTA Executive Director Joe Nuñez noted that CTA has gained almost 19,000 new members since *Janus v. AFSCME* (the U.S. Supreme Court decision that eliminated agency fees); dropouts have been negligible. Most new members, he said, are millennials; research says they are strongly supportive of social justice and labor issues. Nuñez said these members value and want from their union authentic relationships as well as support. Here is where [CTA's professional development and leadership opportunities](#) shine, including conferences and trainings, the Institute for Teaching, and the Instructional Leadership Corps.

Teachers of the Year Recognized

Three of California's 2019 [Teachers of the Year](#), Kim Holz, Angel Mejico and Rosie Reid, were honored during State Council (Erica Boomer could not be present). As California's nominee for National Teacher of the Year, Reid, a member of the Mt. Diablo Education Association, spoke to Council about her journey as an educator and activism to make sure her students receive a quality education. Read more about [these sterling educators](#) at californiaeducator.org/2019-california-teachers-of-the-year.

Hispanic Caucus Presentation

The Caucus marked the [César Chávez](#) holiday with [a lively celebration](#) incorporating music and dance.

Additional information, including speeches and reports, can be found at cta.org/StateCouncil.

SAN DIEGO COUNTY SERVICE CENTER NEWSLETTER

Special News & Events

San Diego County Service Center General Membership Meetings:

- The last General Membership Meeting is Thursday, May 23 at the Handlery Hotel in Mission Valley on 950 Hotel Circle North. The meeting will start at 5:15pm and dinner is included.

San Diego County Service Center Conference Grants:

- President's Conference
 - July 18-21, 2019 in San Jose
 - Deadline to apply: June 13, 2019
- Summer Institute
 - July 28-Aug 1, 2019 at UCLA
 - Deadline to apply: June 13, 2018
- Click the link below to fill out a San Diego County Service Center Grant:
 - <http://sdctaservicecenter.wixsite.com/sdcscg/grants>

Steering Committee Information

Awards:

2018-2019 CTA Awards:

Mark your calendars! This year's SDSSC State Who Awards will be awarded at our last General Membership Meeting on May 23rd, 2019. Presidents, you should have received an email with the information for this year's State Who Awards. The deadline to return the required documents is **5:00 on Friday April 12, 2019**.

2019 HUMAN RIGHTS AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Award	Recipient	Chapter/Caucus/Service Center Council

CTA Service Center Council Human Rights Award	Student California Teachers Association	N/A
CTA Peace and Justice Human Rights Award	Shane Parmely	San Diego Education Association
César Chavez "Si Se Puede" Human Rights Award	Sandra Martínez-Galván	Unified Association of Conejo Teachers
Women's Issues Human Rights Award	Kyna Collins	UTLA/NEA
CTA Member Human Rights Award	Leigh Cambra	Association of Carmel Teachers
Leadership in Lesbian and Gay Issues Human Rights Award in Honor of Nancy Bailey	Kurt Dearie	Carlsbad Unified Teachers Association
Physically/Mentally Challenged Students' Issues Human Rights Award	Darci Gibson	Garden Grove Education Association

Community Engagement:

Upcoming Events

1. April is Autism Awareness Month!

The National Education Association (NEA) has developed a Guide for Educators entitled " Teaching Students with Autism." To download a free copy, please visit <http://www.nea.org/home/18459.htm>. Please consider sharing this resource with your fellow educators as a way to build awareness about Autism.

2. Progressive Labor Summit

This event is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th at the DoubleTree by Hilton San Diego from 8:00am-5:00pm. Ticket includes lunch and T-shirt. Cost is \$25.00. This is a one-day event, bringing together members of the San Diego Labor community with activists and leaders to build stronger understanding, knowledge, skills, and partnerships in tackling the broader social challenges we are facing today. To register, visit <http://bit.ly/2H9V9dt>

3. Educator Appreciation Night at the Padres on Friday May 17th 2019!

All members of the San Diego Service Center of the California Teachers Association as well as their family and friends, are invited to celebrate the hardworking people who give so much to their communities throughout San Diego County. Your Theme Game Package includes a limited-edition Padres-themed canvas tote bag and a ticket to the Pirates vs. Padres game.

Here is the link for our members to purchase Padres tickets. Please add this link to the Padres information that I sent in my newsletter info for community engagement. Thanks!

<https://groupmatics.events/event/Californiateachers>

4. Join CTA members at the Navy's 33rd Annual Bay/Bridge Run/Walk on Sunday, May 19th 2019 as we celebrate the Month of the Military Child! Wear your CTA shirt! Cost: \$50.00. To register, visit: www.navybaybridge.com

5. Special Education Symposium sponsored by the San Diego Service Center is scheduled for Saturday, May 18, 2019 from 8:00am-4:00pm at the San Diego County Office of Education. Cost: 100.00 CTA Member, \$25.00 Student CTA. A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Register at www.specialedsymposium.eventbrite.com

- WAYS TO HELP SUPPORT HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE IN THE SAN DIEGO/TIJUANA BORDER REGION

1. Make a donation to the San Diego Rapid Response Network (rapidresponsesd.org) to help support the emergency migrant shelter that has helped over 1500 migrant families in the last four weeks. Visit www.gofundme.com/migrantrieliefsd
2. Donate to Catholic Charities-Travel Assistance Fund to help support families who need help with travel as they continue on their migrant journey. sharejourneysd.org/families

3. Support Assemblymember Lorena Gonzalez's Diaper Drive. Her office will deliver diapers to shelters in need in Tijuana. Drop off or Amazon to : Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez, 1350 Front St., Suite 6022, San Diego CA 92101
 4. Donate to Casa del Migrante A.C. which is the oldest and largest shelter for male migrants and deportees in Tijuana, offering services like shelter, food, and clothing, as well as a wide range of programs to aid in the social reintegration of migrants. The shelter is currently collecting the following basic needs for men: (underwear, shoes, socks, travel-sized toiletries, jackets, sweaters, cold and allergy medicine) Drop off Donations: Calle Galileo 239, Postal, Lopez Leyva, 22416 Tijuana, B.C. Mexico
Donate Online: <https://casadelmigrantetijuana.com/en/donaciones/>
 5. Donate to Instituto de Madre Assunta A.C. which is the "sister-shelter" of Casa del Migrants, serving women and children migrants. Donations Drop off location: Madre Asunta-Calle Galileo 2305, Buena Vista, Lopez Leyva, 22416 Tijuana, B.C. Mexico.
- BRINGING MUSIC EDUCATION BACK INTO THE CLASSROOM
Interested in learning how to play the guitar? Guitars in the Classroom offers FREE lessons and instruments to teachers! For more information and to register for classes visit <https://www.guitarsintheclassroom.org/> Sign up now!
 - If you have any questions or have a suggestion for an event we can participate in, please send an e-mail to Meghann at sdctacommunity@gmail.com.

Elections:

This spring, we will be having elections for CTA State Council seats in the following Multiple Chapter Electoral Districts:

SAN DIEGO COUNTY SCC AT LARGE: There will be an election for an alternate position.

If you are a local president or member in any of these multiple electoral groups, please begin spreading the word about these open positions and recruiting candidates. The election timeline will most likely begin in April after Spring breaks!

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Erik Bienke at sdctaelections@gmail.com.

Membership Engagement:

SBTA Implements Ovation! Recognition Program

The Solana Beach Teachers Association has fully launched their implementation of CTA's Institute for Teaching's (IFT) Ovation! strength-based recognition program. As part of their 2018-19 Membership Engagement Plan (and grant!), SBTA organized, announced, and has been recognizing nominated school employees who embody any of the seven strengths from the IFT's [Strength Based Matrix](#)



SBTA began the process by creating a web-based nomination form using Google Forms and rolled out the program at their December Representative Council meeting by providing site reps with a "take one" sign format that included the website and a QR code for their Google Forms nomination form.

Since then, SBTA has presented the award each month by giving the nominated employee a framed signed certificate and a balloon bouquet, provided in part by their Membership Engagement grant.

For more information, go to <http://www.teacherdrivenchange.org/>

Photo (right to left): Cyndy McBride, SBTA President; Tabor Samuelson, SBTA Site Rep; Roderick Gayta, Site STREAM TOSA; Jerry Jones, Principal; Jordan Einbinder, SBTA Site Rep)

Contact Jennifer Landry at sdctamembership@gmail.com if you'd like assistance creating a survey

Social Media:

San Diego County Service Center website! Please bookmark sdctaservicecenter.wixsite.com/sdcscc so you can get up to date information.

- Service Center Information
- Committee Information
- Elections Information
- Grants
- Calendar of Events, Meetings, & Workshops along with registration
- Red for Ed: Raising Our Voices, Protecting Public Schools Post pics at #redford
- If you have any questions or ideas to share, please contact me at sdctasocial@gmail.com

CTA Conference Grants:

- The CTA Conference season is upon us and here is the information about the CTA Grants. Check out this link to apply. CTAgo.org/grants

San Diego Service Center Grants:

- Service Center Grants are awarded after your attendance at the conference.
 - All grants are paid in the form of reimbursement up-to the maximum amount of \$450.00 established by the San Diego County Service Center Council.
 - Conferences attended in San Diego will be reimbursed up-to the maximum amount of \$225.00.
 - Itemized receipts must accompany all reimbursements.
- **Grant Recipients:**
 - Please remember to submit the Conference Reimbursement Form with receipts & the Conference Evaluation Form within 30 days of the conference. Forms are available on the Service Center website.
 - Completed reimbursement forms can be mailed to the RRC at: 5333 Mission Center Rd San Diego, CA 92108 or emailed to: sbaxter@cta.org
 - IRS standard mileage reimbursement rate for 2019 is \$0.58/mile. If your local uses this standard rate, be sure your forms and calculations are accurate.
 - If you do not receive your check within 30 days of submission please contact Kerry Strong sdctatreasurer@gmail.com
- **Information about other CTA Grants:**
 - **Minority Incentive Grants** – Minority members are defined as belonging to one of the following racial-ethnic groups: African American; American Indian/Alaska Native; Asian; Hispanic; Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander or Multi-ethnic. These grants are offered to encourage minority leadership within the Association.
 - **Small Chapter Incentive Grants** will be awarded to small chapters with a unit size of 100 or fewer members or 200 or fewer members for Issues Conference. Unit size is defined as the number of persons who are represented for purposes of collective bargaining. The chapter membership may be less than the unit size.
 - **Special Small Chapter Full Incentive Grants** will be offered for Issues Conference participants from chapters with a unit size of 25 or fewer members. In addition to the conference fee and covered transportation costs, this grant pays for substitute cost for release time and housing based on two conference participants per room.
 - **Special Under-Represented Groups** (White Male, and Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual or Transgender) Grants will be offered for Equity and Human Rights Conference participants.
 - **New Member Grants** will be awarded to applicants who are within their first 5 years of CTA membership.