

Announcements

Congratulations CSEA Members

Congratulations to CSEA members **Nancy Warnecke** (Adams), **Virginia Beaudreau** (West Elementary), **Scott Foss** (Sabin), and **David Williams** (Doherty) for being selected as 2017 Crystal Apple Teachers. We're proud of you and thank you for your work and dedication to the students of our District.

First Year Teachers Who Are Members Get A Rebate

CSEA members in their first year of teaching in public education are eligible for a rebate from our state affiliate, CEA! Be on the lookout for an email from lzeitz@coloradoea.org with more information and a brief verification form.

Full time members who paid dues all year can expect to receive a rebate of \$169.00. Part time members who paid dues all year can expect to receive a rebate of \$84.50. If you joined later in the year, the refund will be adjusted according to the dues you paid

AR Nominations Being Accepted

Nominations to serve as an Association Representative (AR) are being accepted until April 25. All members are invited to nominate themselves to serve as an Association Representative for their school. If you would like to nominate yourself to serve as an AR for next year, please send an email to csea@coloradoea.org notifying us.

Each site is allotted a certain number of ARs based upon their membership numbers. If there are more nominations than a site is allotted, we will contact the members in that building to notify them that there will be an election.

Please consider whether serving in this role would interest you.

Call Before You Come

CSEA is a small office and we sometimes have to close to run errands, etc. We suggest you call (471.1190) before stopping by without an appointment. We will arrange a time when we can confirm someone will be available to assist you.

COpilot - Colorado Professional Institute For Learning Online Together

COpilot is the innovative, flexible learning platform for teachers and education support professionals that has been launched by CSEA. It features courses and lesson plans designed and taught by CEA members, and offers resources and support all in one convenient place educators can access any time.

Teachers can earn graduate credit from Adams State University and accrue professional development hours for license renewal.

Registration for summer courses begins **Apr. 21!** Check out the courses at the [COpilot](#) webpage and follow COpilot on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#)!

Teacher Appreciation Day at Coors Field!

The Rockies would like to invite teachers, school administrators and employees to their Teacher Appreciation Game! On Friday, May 5, specially priced tickets are available to all teachers, their family members and friends to watch the Rockies host the Arizona Diamondbacks. For more information, visit the Colorado Rockies [Facebook page](#) or their [website](#)!

Events

Trivia Night

Thursday, April 20 5:30-7:30 CSEA basement, 2520 N. Tejon St.

Come test your knowledge of random facts and information at trivia night. Bring a device that is able to connect to the internet. We'll provide snacks and assorted beverages, and there will be prizes for the winners!

safeTALK

Saturday, April 22 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Tim Gill Center for Public Media

315 E. Costilla St.

SafeTALK is a half-day workshop that teaches how to identify people at risk of suicide and connect them with intervention resources. SafeTALK's proven, easy-to-follow steps are used around the world.

Most people thinking about suicide don't actually want to die, but they need help deciding to stay alive. You don't need any prior training to attend safeTALK – just a willingness to make a difference.

This event is being hosted by our sister organization, the Pikes Peak Education Association, and they have graciously extended an invitation to the members of CSEA to join them for this workshop. Lunch will be provided. Registration is required. You may register [here](#).

Fourth Annual Literacy Festival Sponsored by Black Educators' Network

“Literacy Engages The Mind And Promotes Critical Thinking In Today’s World”

Saturday, April 22 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. UCCS Dwire Hall (Primarily)

Keynote Presentation Centennial Hall Auditorium

Activities include poetry, science, career literacy, college literacy and a tour of the campus. There will be a continental breakfast. Entertainment will be provided by the Wildflower Elementary Honor Choir (Harrison School District). There will ALSO be a free book giveaway and door prizes.

Contact Benliteracyfestival@gmail.com for additional information and registry.

More Fun With The Extension

Friday, May 12 3:30 – 5:30 Lounge in the Village, 3440 W. Carefree Circle

The Extension is back with another afternoon of good times and companionship. We'll gather with other educators to enjoy the conversation and Happy Hour specials. No reservation is necessary; just join us for the fun.

Contract Fact

Article XV.A.2 Extra Duty Day

Extra Duty Day - A day for which a teacher is compensated at the per diem rate. These days must be previously approved, in writing, by the Superintendent. Teachers shall be compensated for each approved extra duty day.

Articles

[What Educators Know About Teaching Young Children — But Policymakers Ignore](#)

[Having Just One Black Teacher Can Keep Black Kids In School](#)

[Brain-Based Strategies To Reduce Test Stress](#)

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