

Cleveland Teachers Union News & Notes

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TEACHERS, PARAS, RSPs TIME TO RENEW

Hopefully everyone with a license, certificate, or permit that expires in 2015 – has already renewed. All teachers, paraprofessionals, and RSPs must have a valid license, certificate, or permit on the first day of school. If you have any questions about the renewal process contact Tracy Radich (tradich@ctu279.org) or Jim Wagner (jwagner@ctu279.org).

3-WEEK GAP IN PAY

There will be a 3 week gap in pay this summer. Since we are coming back a few days later this year than we did last year - we are back to a gap in pay. Most schools return on August 13, which is not enough time to process payroll for August 14. The last pay check of the 2014-2015 school year is July 31. The next check will be August 21.

UPDATE - FINAL EVALUTION RATING

All teachers and RSPs need to verify the data that was submitted to the ODE that will make up your Final Effectiveness Rating.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A FINAL EFFECTIVENESS RATING – Take a screen shot showing that you do not have any data to review. Send an email

to SLO@clevelandmetroschools.org and Jill Cabe.

IF YOUR GROWTH MEASURES OR TDES COMPOSITE SCORE IS REPORTED INCORRECTLY – Please email BOTH <u>SLO@clevelandmetroschools.org</u> and <u>TDES@clevelandmetroschools.org</u> to have the issue resolved.

Many issues were handled today (Monday) and members are being emailed via the SLO email. Mark and Deb are also following up with those members. More issues will be dealt with on Tuesday.

Resolving the issues that are sent to the SLO and TDES mailboxes as quickly and as effectively as possible is the first priority for both the district and the CTU. Please contact Mark Baumgartner (mbaumgartner@ctu279.org) or Deb Paden (dpaden@ctu279.org) with any concerns or questions.

GOLF OUTING

Wendi Kral wants to thank everyone that participated in the CTU & Custodians Golf Outing. Over \$7000 was raised for the Tri C Scholarship Fund and the Custodians Scholarship Fund. Wendi and Scott thank everyone that helped out to make this Golf Outing a success. Mark your calendar – next year's outing will be on Saturday, May 21. CTU gives a big thank you

to Wendi and Scott for hosting another great event. Even while injured you both did your usual fabulous job!

IPDP

Jim Wagner and Bonnie Hedges want to make sure that everyone has an approved IPDP on file. If you just renewed your license and have it in hand – it is time for you to write a new IPDP. Everyone needs to have an approved IPDP before taking coursework. Write the IPDP now and then you will be covered for any classes, PD, miscellaneous opportunities that come along. An IPDP Help Guide is available on both the CMSD and CTU websites. You can also contact Jim Wagner (jwagner@ctu279.org) or Bonnie Hedges (bhedges@ctu279.org) with questions about IPDP or if you need your IPDP username and pin #.

CLASS SIZE OVERAGE CHECKS

Per the CBA all class size overage checks are to be mailed by July 15.

SUBSTITUTE NOTICE

Per the CBA substitutes reappointed will be notified of their reappointment by June 30th of every year. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Cheryl Neylon (cneylon@ctu279.org).

TEXT MESSAGES

The Cleveland Teachers Union is trying to use many different methods to keep members up-to-date with information. Are you receiving text messages from the Cleveland Teachers Union? You can sign up right now to receive mobile text message alerts from AFT-Cleveland Teachers Union. You will receive updates, notices, and reminders. Recent text messages were sent regarding Linkage extension, link to Conditions for Teaching Survey, Open Position Job Fair, CTU End-of-the-Year Party, etc. Get your phone out right now and send a text message with the word: ctu279 (lowercase, no spaces) in your message box. Send to the phone number 69238.

AFT-CTU will never charge you for text messages, your carrier's Message & Data rates may apply.

OPEN POSITION INTERVIEW PERIOD

The Open Position Interview period is officially closed for staffing the 2015-2016 school year. No additional Interview Fairs will be held. All teachers and paraprofessionals that were identified as Necessary Transfers and are still in need of a position will be assigned by the CEO or his designee (in accordance with the CBA) beginning as soon as June 2.

Schools that have openings after the NTs are assigned will have the ability to interview new hires to the district.