



Elizabeth Gasca (RPE) discusses negotiations in caucus.

BARGAINING UPDATE

Negotiations began Monday, May 22. The Association team includes: Chairperson Terry SalasOrtiz (CCE), Clarissa Banda (SHS) Elizabeth Gasca (RPE), Walt Lowery (MAI) Marcia Ugalde (MOA), and Executive Director Kathy Kohn. The District team includes Gene Kerr (DO), Mary Norris (PHE), Art Revueltas (DO), and Jeff Schwartz (MHS). The Association opened Adult Education.



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CTA Supports Preschool for All Initiative - Prop. 82

CTA's support for Proposition 82 – the Preschool for All initiative on the June ballot – reaffirms our longtime commitment to early childhood education, and to making sure every child has a good start in their school career. The initiative is funded by a 1.7 percent tax on taxable income over \$800,000 for couples and for individuals earning over \$400,000. Revenues would be placed in a trust fund outside of Prop. 98 that's dedicated to providing preschool for all.

Prop. 82 Strengthens K-12 Education

- Yes on 82 strengthens K-12 education and is supported by parents and teachers. Teachers know that children who go to quality preschools are better prepared to learn, more likely to read by the third grade, and less likely to hold other children behind in class. Students who attend preschool are more likely to graduate from high school and go to college.
- Yes on 82 provides free, voluntary, quality preschool for every four-year-old in California. Hundreds of thousands more children a year will be able to attend a quality preschool of their choice.
- Yes on 82 expands parental involvement and lets parents choose their preschools.
- Yes on 82 expands teacher training and puts credentialed teachers in every preschool classroom. Phased in over a 10-year period, Prop. 82 provides that all preschool teachers must have a bachelor's degree and an early learning credential.

Prop. 82 has Strict Accountability for Public Funding

- Yes on 82 establishes a separate dedicated fund that can only be spent on preschool. It limits administrative costs and mandates that 94% of funds go to preschool education.
- Yes on 82 has strict accountability measures that put taxpayers in control, including criminal penalties for misuse of funds.
- Yes on 82 will not affect Proposition 98 or funding for K-14 education. It includes a provision that no school district can be forced to use Prop. 98 money for preschool.

Election Committee Report

Many thanks to the *Election Committee* who helped to make the counting of ballots go quickly and efficiently on Tuesday, May 16, 2006:

Phyllis Butland	MOA/ret.
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