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Celebrate May 13—California Day of the Teacher

This May 13th, educators around the state will mark the 33rd anniversary of California's Day of the Teacher. To honor them and to demonstrate their impact, CTA has chosen "*California Teachers: Where School Innovation Begins*" as this year's theme.

We all know our communities share our goals for quality public schools and recognize public education as being the cornerstone for strong communities. But it's also up to us to build those vital relationships with parents, community organizations, local businesses, other unions, the faith community and seniors. We are all part of that community and we will best succeed when we work together.

California's Day of the Teacher has its roots in the community and is patterned after the celebration of the traditional "El Dia del Maestro," which is observed in Mexico and Latin America countries. Our California's Day of the Teacher arose out of legislation co-sponsored by CTA and the Association of Mexican American Educators in 1982.

A Gift From Camino Federal Credit Union

Camino Federal Credit Union will be sending a hot/cold pack to each member of the Association. The Credit Union has worked collaboratively with the Association each year to honor educators throughout the District.



It's Time for Us to Think about 2015-2016 Staff Development

Bargaining Unit members have rights regarding staff development identified in Article IV. Hours and Assignments, Section D-E in the MUSD-MTA contract. Section D.6. refers to Staff Development Days.



MTA/CTA participates in the YMCA Healthy Kids Day April 25. While volunteering at the event File Arizmendi (MOA), Alma Orta (SUE), and Carmen Patlan (SHS) meet with YMCA Family Members Ralph Gutierrez (MHS) and Rosie Gutierrez (WGE).

- a. Staff development for each of these days will focus on instructional methods, including teaching strategies, classroom management and other training designed to improve pupil performance and academic content in the core curriculum.
- b. The Staff Inservice Committee will be encouraged to use staff development days within the contractual year. These days shall include, but not be limited to: (1) Planning and preparing the instructional program. (2) Keeping records. (3) Researching curriculum needs. (4) Conferring with administrators, support personnel and/or colleagues. (5) Meeting in Committees. (6) Any and all other activities that would help in improving the instructional program.

Section E. refers to the Staff Inservice Committee which must be consulted prior to all staff development at the site.

In order to assure effective use of time ... each site's Bargaining Unit members shall establish a Staff Inservice Committee which shall include staff-elected Bargaining Unit members. The Staff Inservice Committee shall advise and be consulted prior to all site inservice/staff development activities and the selection of all staff development days which are not specified in this Agreement.

