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## Julian De La Torre Honored as Blanche Chester Teacher Advocate

Immediate Past President Julian De La Torre was named the 2014 Blanche Chester Teacher Advocate at the Council meeting Tuesday, May 20. Julian was awarded a plaque and his name will be added to the perpetual plaque at the MTA office.



Julian has served on the Executive Committee for the past 20 years in the offices of President, Vice President, Intermediate Director, and Support Staff Director. During his 25 years of active union service, Julian has been a NEA RA Representative for 18 years and a CTA State Council Representative for 10 years. Julian currently serves as a counselor in the Contract Independent Study program.

Election Results	
<b>Vice President</b>	
Ed Guzman .....	72
*Margie Granado .....	115
<b>Secretary</b>	
*Alma Orta .....	158
<b>Elementary Director</b>	
*Rita Galvan .....	164
<b>High School Director</b>	
*Carmen Patlan .....	160
<b>Adult Education Director</b>	
*Filiberto Arizmendi .....	154
<b>CTA State Council Representative</b>	
**Margie Granado .....	83
**Irma Navarro .....	57
Larissa Castillo .....	24
Guillermo Sandoval .....	23
*Indicates Elected	
** Indicates Run-Off	

## Revenue & Expense Hearing Is June 10

The Revenue and Expense Open Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, June 11 at the MTA Conference Center during the Council meeting which begins at 3:30 p.m. Filiberto Arizmendi (MOA) will discuss the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and the District's finances.

## Budget Set For Adoption at Council

Treasurer Guillermo Sandoval (MHS) will present the second reading of the proposed 2014-2015 MTA budget at Council. The proposed budget is available on montebelloteachers.org. No increase in MTA dues is proposed. The Trust Fund contribution was approved at the April Council meeting and has been increased by \$25 per month beginning on the October 1, 2014 pay warrant.

## Local Control Accountability Plan Draft Will Be Available On-Line

The Board of Education is due to submit the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) to the State June 30. The Association, along with other stakeholders, have been involved in preparing a plan that matches the District's goals with the District's spending taking into account the increased revenue from the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF). The Draft will be available on www.montebello.k12.ca.us this week. Comments can be made on the draft via the web page. The Board of Education Public Hearing will be Thursday, June 5 in the Board Room at 7 p.m.

### Above and Beyond Award

## Bestowed on Gabriela Orozco Gonzalez

The Board of Education honored Gabriela Orozco Gonzalez with the Above and Beyond Award Wednesday, May 14.

Gabriela has created the Common Core Café to help teachers collaborate and support one another with the Common Core State Standards.

She continues to donate her professional insight to her colleagues in order to improve the quality of education in the district as well as the State and Nation.



Over, please...



## Class Size Stipends for Student Overage

Teachers are paid directly for class size overages. The language is as follows:

The Board and the Association believe that the goal of the District is to program a reasonable number of students into each class. Oversize classes are a detriment to learning and should be avoided whenever possible. The purpose of this provision is to ensure the best interest of the education program. The provision should not be used to supplant the employment of Bargaining Unit members. The District and the Association acknowledge that the following provisions should not alter the appropriate staffing for the above class size limits.

The District has twenty days after October 1 to correct class size issues. If the issues are not corrected the following formula will determine payment per semester. The overage must be for a minimum of fifty percent of the semester.

The request should be made on the **Class Size Stipend Request Form** available at your school site or from Human Resources. A Bargaining Unit member will not receive more than \$500 per semester. **Please fill out the Class Size Stipend Request Form completely. You must indicate which semester you are applying for. Please do not leave it blank. This will result in a delay as HR will send it back to get clarification. If you need assistance, you can call extension 7927.**

## Special Education Teachers Meet Directly with Superintendents

The District shall attempt to maintain reasonable class size in each special education setting. If at any time a special education classroom teacher believes the class size is excessive, a meeting with the Superintendent or designee may be requested. All requests shall be honored. The Superintendent or designee shall respond within ten days and meet as soon as possible. The Bargaining Unit member shall be entitled to Association representation in the meeting.

Stipends for Students Overage					
Grades	# of Students Over	Day/Period	Average	Payment	Duration
K-5	1.0-3.0	day	no	\$300	50%
K-5	more than 3.0	day	no	\$500	50%
6-8	1.0-3.0	period	no	\$300	50%
6-8	more than 3.0	period	no	\$500	50%
6-8	1.0 or more	1/3 of day	no	\$300	50%
9-12	1.0-3.0	period	no more than 1 over average	\$300	50%
9-12	more than 3.0	period	no more than 1 over average	\$500	50%
9-12	1.0 or more	day	more than 1 class over the average	\$300	50%