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Council to Set 2015-2016 Calendars March 15

The 2016-2017 calendars recommended by both the Calendar Committee and the Executive Committee will be available for review on the MTA Mobile app at montebelloteachers.org Wednesday, February 24.

The Council will be asked to approve the calendars at the Tuesday, March 15 Council meeting. Bargaining Unit members are encouraged to review the calendars and offer input to Building Reps at the sites. The calendars are based on input from surveys last fall.



Coalition Working to Secure Education Funding Petitions Due March 23

Four years ago, CTA worked with Governor Brown to put forward Proposition 30 to increase funding for public education by temporarily raising income taxes on California's highest wage earners and a small sales tax increase. Passing that initiative in 2012 has been a life saver for our students as money is being restored to our schools and colleges after years of budget cuts, layoffs, tuition hikes and furlough days.

Unfortunately, the additional revenues from Proposition 30 are coming to an end. It's why CTA has been working with a coalition of education, labor, health care and community organizations to plan ahead and ensure our state stays on the road of economic recovery and doesn't fall back to more budget cuts. State economic projections show a \$5 billion hole for public education in just two years.

The Children's Education and Health Care Protection Act extends the income tax on the wealthiest Californians for 12 years. The sales tax increase of Prop. 30 expires as planned this year. The new measure is expected to raise \$8-11 billion a year. Like Prop. 30, that money will go directly into a special fund to support education. By helping the state maintain education resources, the state has additional funding for other critical programs like health care for low-income children.

We are circulating petitions to get this Proposition on the November ballot and protect our funding. Petitions are available through the MTA office.

MTA Elections Are in May: Nominations Open March 15

Nominations are open for:

Vice President
Secretary
Elementary Director
High School Director
Adult Education Director
CTA State Council & Alternate

The nominations for the Executive Committee and State Council will close at the Council meeting on **Tuesday, April 19**. The meeting will begin at 3:30 p.m. at the MTA CC. Eligible members may be nominated in one of three ways: (1) complete the petition posted on montebelloteachers.org, (2) nomination on the floor of Council, or (3) via the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee can be contacted through the MTA office.

The members of the Nominating Committee are Rey Vogel (MHS), Donna Drayman (EAI), and Lisa Navarro-Gutierrez (BGE).

More information regarding the offices can be found in the Bylaws. The MTA bylaws are available on our website at montebelloteachers.org.

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