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### NEA RA Election Is March 12-19

The State and Local NEA RA delegate election will be held March 12-19. Montebello Teachers Association **votes electronically. The MTA Office must have your personal email in order for a ballot to be sent.** Email additions will be accepted through **Thursday, February 28.**

The Sample Ballot will be sent to the personal email you have registered with the MTA office **Monday, March 4. Contact the MTA Office immediately if you do not receive the sample ballot.** The official ballot will be sent via email **Tuesday, March 12** and must be **received no later than Tuesday, March 19 at 2 p.m.**

The paper ballot alternative is available at the MTA office: March 12-14 2-5 p.m. and March 19 from 12-2 p.m.

For concerns regarding elections contact Elections Chairperson Terry SalasOrtiz (CCE) at

[Elections@MontebelloTeachers.org](mailto:Elections@MontebelloTeachers.org)

### Bargaining Continues

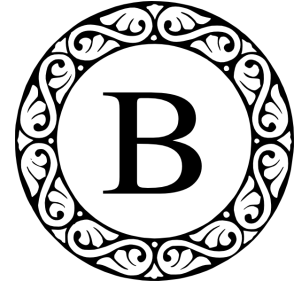
The Bargaining Team met with the District Tuesday, February 19. The teams have negotiated a retirement declaration incentive.

Also on the table are:

Transfer and Reassignment, Hours and Assignments, New Member Orientations, Leaves, and Organizational Security.

The next scheduled bargaining session is Tuesday, February 26.

The Association Bargaining team includes: Chairperson Larry McKiernan (SUI), Paul Chavez (SHS), Gabriela Orozco Gonzalez (MGE), David Navar (WGE), and Jessica Zwall (MAI), and Executive Director Kathy Schlotz.



### MTA Elections Are in May: Nominations Open March 19

*Nominations are open for:*  
 President  
 Vice President  
 Treasurer  
 Elementary Director  
 Intermediate Director  
 Support Staff Director  
 CTA State Council & Alternate

The nominations for the Executive Committee and State Council will close at the Council meeting on **Tuesday, April 30.** 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](http://montebelloteachers.org), (2) nomination on the floor of Council, or (3) via the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee can be contacted via email at [Nominations@MontebelloTeachers.org](mailto:Nominations@MontebelloTeachers.org).

The members of the Nominating Committee are Rey Vogel (MHS), Kim Sahagian (LMI), 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](http://MontebelloTeachers.org).

Over, please...

**mta** *members connect*

# Join Us for Chair Yoga

**Tuesday, March 12 at 3:45 p.m.**

**MTA CC - 920 W. Whittier Blvd.**



Chair yoga can improve flexibility, relieve cramps and stiffness, and create a happy mental state in those who practice it. Through holding poses on a chair and practicing specific breathing techniques, we will gain increased range of motion, reduce anxiety, create spatial awareness, and dramatically lower our stress level. Join us for an hour of stretching, breathing, and learning easy stress-relieving tools that you can quickly access any-time, anywhere!

Florencia Razzari-Karon (BGH) has been practicing yoga for over a decade and has been teaching since 2011. She is certified through Yoga Alliance in Hatha Yoga and has taught studio classes, private classes, and classes at Bell Gardens High School through All Stars and Yoga Club. She believes that yoga is for everyone and has the potential of improving a person's quality of life.

**RSVP by Friday March 8 to [MTA@MontebelloTeachers.org](mailto:MTA@MontebelloTeachers.org)**

*MTA Members Connect* encourages members to share their passions with other members. Flo is the first to volunteer. Wine Pairing and Drawing for Relaxation will also be offered this spring. Details to be announced soon.

Contact the MTA Office if you have an idea for an offering.