



# CONTACT

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## Schools Closed Through Friday, May 1

All MUSD schools are closed through Friday, May 1. At this time the plan is:

- Bargaining Unit members will return Monday, May 4; and
- Students will return Tuesday, May 5.



As the Safer at Home Order for Control of COVID-19 is adjusted, the school closures may be extended.

**The schools are currently being cleaned and sanitized. Therefore, schools and classrooms are closed until the schools reopen. Employees may not enter schools without explicit permission from the administrator.**

## MTA Office Is Closed Through Spring Break

The MTA Office is closed through Monday, April 20. Members may access staff by calling 323.722.5005 or emailing [MTA@MontebelloTeachers.org](mailto:MTA@MontebelloTeachers.org).

President Doug Patzkowski is available at [DougPatzkowski@MontebelloTeachers.org](mailto:DougPatzkowski@MontebelloTeachers.org).

Please monitor [MontebelloTeachers.org](http://MontebelloTeachers.org) for updates on the status of the Association. And, monitor [CTA.org](http://CTA.org) for statewide updates.

## California and U.S. Income Tax Date Is Extended Wednesday, July 15



The amounts shown below are the annual membership dues amounts for calendar year 2019, which covers parts of two different membership years. Please note that your Trust Fund contribution is included since it is collected as "dues" under Category 1. Trust Fund contributions are also included with dues if you are a Category 2 member and have elected to participate in the MTA Trust Fund.

JANUARY – DECEMBER 2019 MEMBERS				NEW MEMBERS SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2019			
Cat.	1	Full Time	\$ 2,941.60	Cat.	1	Full Time	\$ 1,194.40 (w/o TF \$454.40)*
	2	30-60%	\$ 2,402.30 (w/o TF \$762.30)		2	30-60%	\$ 951.00 (w/o TF \$231.00)
	3	30% or less	\$ 312.90		3	30% or less	\$ 124.20
* Temporary Contract (TCs) and Probationary Employees (Prob 1 or 2) are not required to contribute to the TF until they earn permanent status.							
~ ~ ~ ~ ~ Separated from MUSD 6/2019 (Retirement, Resignation, Etc.) ~ ~ ~ ~ ~							
Cat.	1	Full Time	\$ 1,747.20	Cat.	3	30% or less	\$ 186.30
	2	30-60%	\$ 1,426.50 (w/o TF \$346.50)				

Political contributions are as follows (these contributions are not tax deductible): MTA-ABC \$25/year. FACT \$10/year, NEA-PAC \$10/year (or what you have designated).

## YES

- ✓ Join the "CTA Teaching, Learning and Life During COVID-19" closed Facebook group to connect to other CTA members.
- ✓ Continue to exercise common sense and decency. A lot of eyes are on teachers right now.
- ✓ Practice kindness and compassion. Many folks are feeling isolated and social media can be a place to connect with others and show examples of humanity.
- ✓ Reach out to your local chapter president or CTA primary contact staff for answers to your questions and for general support.
- ✓ It may be harder than ever to do a true digital detox, but if social media is not giving you joy, try to find something else that is. Take breaks as needed.

## NAH

- ✗ Avoid posting any photos of wine drinking or watching Netflix during this time (it may be misinterpreted as us not working, or working inappropriately).
- ✗ Don't feed the trolls. Folks may be purposely trying to incite teachers during this time by accusing us of not working, that we aren't doing our jobs "right," etc. Ignore, block or delete comments.
- ✗ Don't "react" post. If you see something that is upsetting online, take a moment to think if the comment really needs a response.
- ✗ Avoid posting anything negative about your school or district, even if you don't agree with all their decisions.
- ✗ Don't add to fake news. Do your part to try and verify content before posting.