

Bargaining Update 2024

Tentative Bargaining Dates set for Feb. 28 and March 5

The Association has tentatively agreed to meet with the district to continue negotiating Article IV. Hours and Assignments, Article VIII. Class Size, and Article XII. Wages. A tentative agreement has been reached on Article XIII. Transfer and Reassignment. The two sides last met at the negotiating table on December 7, at which point, the district indicated its refusal to discuss Wages or Class Size until May. Members of the association let the Board members know of their displeasure at the December 13 Board of Education Reorganization meeting. Since then, continued advocacy has resulted in the tentative dates. President David Navar and Bargaining Chair Paul Chavez have both communicated with the District negotiation team that the scheduled dates are conditionally dependent on a commitment by the district to return previously proposed contract language, since retracted, to the bargaining table. In addition, the bargaining team seeks a commitment to return to good faith bargaining with the intent to settle all outstanding articles, so that both the district and members can adequately plan for the upcoming school year. Settling class size for next year is a priority of the association, so that our Temporary Contract members can receive reasonable assurance of their return, in a timely manner. The Bargaining team includes: Chairperson Paul Chavez (SHS), Lucia Quintero (LMI), Lisa Quemada (MHS), Myra Pasquier (SUI), and Victoria Landeros-Lopez (FRE).



Melina Valenzuela Receives WHO Award



Congratulations to Melina Valenzuela (D.O. Psychologist), who is our 2024 CTA Southeastern Service Center We Honor Ours (WHO) award winner. She will be honored at a dinner Wednesday, April 25 at the Double Tree Hotel in Commerce. For more information about attending the dinner, contact President [David Navar](#). Melina currently serves as Support Staff director, her third term. In addition, Melina is co-chair of the Political Involvement Committee, is a member of the organizing committee and has served as a building representative for Psychologist since 2009.

