Welcome Back to the Possibility

One conversation, a single moment
The things that change us if we notice
When we look up, sometimes
This goes out to the underdog
Keep on keeping at what you love
You'll find that someday soon enough
You will rise up, rise up, yeah
Everybody rise up...Alicia Keys, Underdog

Music is one of life’s greatest pleasures as it has the power to help uplift us during the most uncertain of times. It can move us deeply and be a call to action. It can even stir emotions that remind us of who we are and why we exist. As an organization of educational professionals, it often invokes one very powerful thought to me and that is that we, as NEA-NM leaders and members, are in this together. We have got your back, and with you, we have the power to shape decisions that are made that affect the well-being of our students, staff and communities. We need to hear your voice: One conversation, a single moment, the things that change us if we notice; when we look up, sometimes. Your stories have changed me and it remains my great privilege to be able to lift those voices as high as can be.
Teaching or Torture?

In my last article, I wrote about the harmful legacy of standardized testing, and how years of ‘teaching to the test’ have left us with a standardized curriculum that offers very little flexibility. Now, I would like you to consider what education could look like if educators were able to work together with students and communities to design curricula and assessments that both celebrates and honors our rich diversity.

Take, for example, the incredible transformation I witnessed at my own middle school in the early 2000s. I know this is ancient history for many, but those were the last years we were encouraged to implement project-based teaching, learning, and assessment.

PED Licensure Experience

NEA-NM is in the process of collecting stories, information, and questions regarding your experience with the PED's licensure process and licensure portal.

Please tell us your story by providing your contact information or submit a question below.

View Surveys
Virtual Social-Emotional Learning Courses

How will you engage students who may have suffered academic learning loss or help those experiencing increased anxiety after a long, stressful pandemic?

NEA is offering members an opportunity to re-energize and enroll in virtual social-emotional learning (SEL) courses to learn how to attend to the social and emotional needs that arise during times like these.

These five fall SEL blended learning (facilitated) courses will provide educators with a powerful means to explore and express our emotions, build relationships, and support each other—children and adults alike. Registration is free for NEA members, and closes September 10, 2021.

Register

Have You Taken the Survey Yet?

Whether you are an early educator or have some years under your belt, learning never stops. As part of largest professional association in the country, with over three million members, NEA invests in programs and creates spaces to support you as you advance in your profession. Take a minute to complete a short survey about your interest and enter a drawing for $100! Simply text the word Connect to 48744 in order to access the survey itself and enter to win!

- Certified K-12 Educators
- Classified K-12 or Support Professionals
- Classified K-12 or Support Professionals (Español)
- Higher Education
Let's Build Our Union

Our family continues to grow! Educators and Support Professionals across our state are joining NEA because they know that having a collective voice matters. Speaking to the urgency of remaining both vigilant and engaged as schools reopen, NEA-NM State President Mary Parr-Sanchez says, “NEA-NM is committed to assuring that accommodations for school employees continue to be provided. Paid leave, along with vaccinations and testing sites, should remain readily available. Educator voice, including collective bargaining, is critical in keeping all schools safe.” Help us strengthen that voice by inviting potential members to join with the link below. It’s never been easier! First time members, that meet the qualifying criteria, will receive a $50/$25 rebate!

Join Now

Take Note Of..

August 12: NEA-NM Announces Support for Educator Vaccine and Testing Requirement

August 24: Deadline for Declaration of Candidacy for School Board to County Clerk

August 28: EdUprising Conference on Authentic Assessment