

How We Endorse Our Candidates

1

Non-Partisan Outreach



All candidates invited to complete local association questionnaire on ed issues.

2

Policy-Focused Analysis



Candidates are interviewed by local members. Recommendations are based on their platform and electability.

YOUR LOCAL ENDORSEMENT PROCESS

3

Member-Driven Vote



Local association decision-making body votes to recommend candidates.

4

Apple Ballot



The recommended candidates earn a place on the local association's official Apple Ballot.

MSEA Fund for Children and Public Education

Voluntary Contribution Authorization Form

The NEA, MSEA and applicable local Funds for Children and Public Education collect voluntary contributions from Association members and use those contributions for political purposes, including but not limited to making contributions and expenditures on behalf of friends of public education who are candidates for federal, state, or local office. I understand that I am making a joint contribution and that ten (10) percent of my contribution will go to the NEA Fund, and that the remaining ninety (90) percent will be divided evenly between the MSEA Fund and the local account. Contributions to the Fund are voluntary; making a contribution is neither a condition of employment nor membership in the Association, and members have the right to refuse to contribute without suffering any reprisal. A member may contribute more or less than the suggested amount, or not contribute, without affecting his/her membership status, rights, or benefits in NEA, MSEA, or any of MSEA's affiliates.

Contributions to the Fund are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal or State income tax purposes.

Federal law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation, and name of employer for each individual whose contributions aggregate in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. Only U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents may contribute to the Fund. All donations from persons other than members of NEA and its affiliates, and their immediate families, will be returned forthwith.

With full knowledge of this information, I agree that my authorization for political action pledges as indicated by the check mark herein and my authorization for payroll deductions, shall continue in force from year to year unless revoked or modified by me giving written notice to my local association.



Fall 2024

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VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION AUTHORIZATION FORM

Our strength comes from members being engaged in the Association's political work. Through our Political Action Committee (PAC), we work to elect officials who play a role in decisions about our contracts, class sizes, curriculum, funding, and benefits. Our PAC helped all three of our endorsed candidates win their 2024 Board of Education primary races. As we move on to the general election, we must elect our endorsed BOE candidates and the pro-public education candidates for federal office.

This is why we're asking every member of MCEA to join our PAC, the Fund for Children and Public Education, through payroll deduction. You're an important part of a powerful movement of educators. Join us in supporting pro-public education candidates and pave the way for victory in this critical upcoming election.

In Solidarity,
David Stein, MCEA President

Name:

Worksite:

Current PAC Contribution:

I WILL CONTRIBUTE TO/INCREASE MY CONTRIBUTION TO PAC

Your PAC contributions pay for political purposes including but not limited to making contributions and expenditures on behalf of friends of public education who are candidates for federal, state, or local office.

Payroll Deduction Per Pay Period (please check one):

\$5 \$10 \$15 \$20 Other \$ _____

***This amount will replace your current contribution, not add to it.**

I agree to this voluntary, non-tax deductible contribution and acknowledge the legal disclaimer on the back of this form.

*****DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THIS FORM*****

COUNT ME IN TO KNOCK DOORS! Add my name to the list of educators who will knock on doors to ask voters to join us in supporting our endorsed Board of Education candidates.

COUNT ME IN AT THE POLLS Add my name to the list of educators who will pass out Apple Ballots during Early Voting and/or on Election Day. (EV: Oct 24th-31st ** E-Day: Nov. 5th)

I'm donating a one-time amount (please attach a check):

Amount: \$ _____

•••MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO MSEA & SIGN BELOW***

SIGNATURE: _____ MCPS ID: _____

DATE: _____