

SPRINGFIELD EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

ELECTION

The SEA is seeking nominations from SEA members who would like to represent our local at the upcoming MTA and/or NEA Conventions. All of these positions will be filled through a general **election** of the membership on **March 8**, and **March 9, 2010**. Any member in good standing in the SEA-MTA-NEA may run for these positions **by completing a self-nomination form**. (See Association Rep for self-nomination form.) Nomination forms must be **returned** to the SEA office **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 24, 2010**. *Do not use interoffice mail.* A Sample Ballot listing all candidates will be posted in each building from March 1, to March 8, 2010.

DELEGATE REQUIREMENTS

DELEGATES (47*) ELECTED TO REPRESENT THE SEA AT THE MTA ANNUAL MEETING ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS BEFORE THE CONVENTION:

- The SEA Pre-Convention Meeting – Wednesday, March 31, 2010
- The MTA Pre-Convention Meeting and Western Mass Caucus Meeting – Monday, April 26, 2010

ISSUES THAT WILL COME BEFORE THE DELEGATES AT THE MTA ANNUAL MEETING ARE DISCUSSED AT THESE MEETINGS.

MTA CONVENTION - MAY 7 AND MAY 8, 2010

DELEGATES ELECTED TO REPRESENT THE SEA AT THE MTA ANNUAL MEETING ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS AT THE CONVENTION:

- The four business sessions that take place on Friday and Saturday
- Voting for MTA Leadership (A voting receipt is required)
- Voting on Bylaw changes, New Business items, and the MTA Budget

The SEA will provide housing and an expense stipend. Payment of this stipend is contingent upon the delegates meeting the above requirements and the Delegate Responsibilities (see back of self-nomination form).

NEA DELEGATE REQUIREMENTS

NEA CONVENTION - JULY 1 THROUGH JULY 6 – New Orleans, LA

Please observe the NEA dates carefully. Be sure your schedule will be free of any potential conflicts with summer jobs or workshops **before** you submit your nomination to the NEA Convention. Our delegates (14* elected delegates plus the President) will represent the SEA. Stipends at the NEA Convention will be paid in accordance with the approved MTA accountability procedures.

*IF EITHER OUR MTA OR NEA DELEGATE ENTITLEMENT INCREASES, THE NEXT HIGHEST VOTE GETTER(S) WILL BE CONSIDERED AS ALTERNATE(S) AND WILL AUTOMATICALLY FILL THE POSITIONS(S).