2018–2020 Strategic Framework

Goal
To achieve our mission, and realize our vision of a great public school for every student, we, the NEA, will grow and strengthen our Association and promote quality public education by:

• Advancing opportunities that will identify, organize, and engage new and early career educators; amplify the voices of all educators; support our members’ professional growth; and promote social justice for our students, our communities, and our nation;
• Securing a pro-public education environment for students, educators, and families; and
• Building the capacity of the local, state, and national union to ensure the success of public education.

Strategic Objectives
To grow and strengthen our union, we will organize our members around issues that impact teaching and learning and the lives of our students. In partnership with our affiliates, NEA will:

Increase Educator Voice, Influence, and Professional Authority: Develop and sustain effective structures, processes, and leaders to increase educator influence in decision-making at worksite, district, state, and national levels.

Recruit and Engage New and Early Career Educators: Identify, recruit, support, and engage new educators in our Association, and connect them with opportunities for professional learning, leadership, and advocacy.

Advance Racial Justice in Education: Support members in advancing racial justice in education and improving conditions for students, families, and communities through, awareness, capacity-building, partnership, and individual and collective action.

Provide Professional Supports: Build a system of Association-convened, educator-led professional learning and supports for all educators across their career continua to ensure student success.
Secure the Environment to Advance the Mission of the NEA and its Affiliates:
Use all available means, including organizing, legal, legislative, electoral, and collective action, to secure the environment necessary to protect the rights of students and educators, and the future of public education.

Enhance Organizational Capacity: Develop and leverage the collective organizational capacity across our Association that is necessary to advance the mission of the NEA and its affiliates, with particular focus on organizing, technology, fiscal health, leadership development, and internal and external partnerships.

Enterprise Operations
Ongoing functions across the enterprise that support the strategic objectives, build lasting strength, and sustain the organizational infrastructure.