Amplifying Our Voice: Leading Boldly for Our Students, Our Professions, and Our Union

Name of Presentation
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NEA Leadership Competency our session addresses: COMPETENCY: ORGANIZING (All Levels)

Competency Theme:

Engages in collective action to identify and address pivotal issues. Creates conditions for continuous association growth and strength.
NEA Strategic Goal and NEA Organizational Priority
our session addresses:

• NEA Strategic Goal
  - 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, communities and our nation;
  - building the capacity of the local, state and national union to ensure the success of public education.

• NEA Organizational Priorities
  - Early Career Educator
Introductions
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT MEMBER RETENTION

IF THEY DON'T SIGN UP IN THE FIRST PLACE

Benefits of engaging early career educators!
What space could be created that would be most beneficial for ECEs and help achieve NEA’s goals of increased retention and growth of membership?
CREATE

a space for ECE to Belong
What has been successful already?

• Committees
• NBIs
• ECE Groups: FYRE, eSWAG
• Caucus
• Bylaw changes
Where can you see Roadblocks/Opportunities in trying one?
Utilizing Early Career Educators:

State Student Organizer
Existing task forces/committees
Invite them to be building rep/non official leader
Team of ECE from different schools
TEACHERS FORCED TO DO ICEBREAKERS AT A STAFF MEETING

VS.

TEACHERS USING THOSE SAME ICEBREAKERS ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
What advice would you offer to an early career educator looking to be more involved in the association/union?
Advice to ECEs

GET MORE INVOLVED!

Make sure you’re finding/providing opportunities that are relatable.

NSN - Never Stop Networking!
National, Local and State Opportunities to INSERT YOURSELF!
Organizer

• Opportunities to create
• Opportunities to utilize effectively
• Your role in making that happen
Session Outcomes

The content from this session can be used in the following ways in your current position/role:

• Everyone should feel more confident that an association/union with more active ECEs is a more successful association/union.

• If you are in a position to create space for ECEs, you should feel more comfortable getting ECEs involved in the association/union.

• If you are an ECE, you should feel more comfortable finding opportunities for yourself and utilizing space that already exists.
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