

Christine Sampson-Clark for

NEA Executive Committee

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EDUCATE As your NEA Executive Committee member, I will work to educate the public on our issues.

ADVOCATE

I will advocate for quality and equity in public education for our students and professional respect for our members.

INSPIRE

I will inspire our membersto work unitedly and diligently by my example of professionalism and passion!

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Christine Sampson-Clark, M.Ed., Public Educator and Union Activist



Educator, advocate, activist, and union leader: Christine Sampson-Clark began her career in education 30+ years ago. She has taught in special education schools and classrooms, alternative education programs, and in public schools in the Trenton School District. Christine's current teaching position is a 9th grade math resource teacher. Thanks to an early exposure to union advocacy by her mother, Elizabeth Smith, a shop stewardess for Local 1115, Christine walked

picket lines and had many conversations over dinner about advocacy. With unionism strongly ingrained in her core, Christine became a building rep for her association her first year in her district and has held officer positions in the Trenton Education Association (TEA) and the Mercer County Education Association (MCEA). Christine continues to sit on the New Jersey Education Association (NJEA) executive committee. She was a director on the Board of the National Education Association (NEA) where she was the chair of the NEA Internal Concerns Committee, the chair of the NEA Board Black Caucus, and the chair of the NEA Friends of Education committee. Christine was also a Teaching and Learning Coordinator for the National Council of Urban Education Associations And now, she has completed her first term on the NEA Executive Committee.

Although Christine is a staunch advocate of education, union, and social justice issues through her union association positions, she understands that there continues to be plenty of work to be done on the community level. Her passion to protect, uplift, and motivate the children of her community of Trenton, NJ has led her to get involved in community activism. Her work in the community has allowed her to bring awareness to the impact of sexual assault and abuse on children and adults, feed the homeless, raise awareness and funds to help hungry children, and promoting legislation to reduce violence in the community with organizations such as the *Not in My Neighborhood* community-based advocacy group and the R.O.S.A. Warriors. Additionally, Christine has worked with Moms Demand Action, the Trenton and National Branches of the NAACP, and the New Jersey Association of Black Educators, and sits on the Board of Trustees for the 1719 William Trent House.

Christine earned her M.Ed. in Special Education from Grand Canyon University and her B.A. in Psychology from Rutgers University. She is currently working on her Doctorate in Organizational Leadership at Grand Canyon University. She can often be found using her social media platform to encourage others to use their voice and to advocate for those in need.

"Talent is like electricity. We don't understand electricity. We use it." — Maya Angelou

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