Letter From The President—EWA Update



Dear Union Brothers and Sisters,

After 5 years of tirelessly arguing that Renew and Turnaround schools were ineffective and failed to meet their intended goals, we have finally achieved victory for the staff and students of Newark!! Superintendent Leon's decision to restore all district schools back to the NTU contract confirms his commitment to the idea that it is the teachers, aides, and clerks who understand what it takes to educate our children.

Superintendent Leon is looking to establish a unified school system, and for that, my brothers and sisters, we need to maintain a strong and united union. The transition back from years of state-rule is going to be a difficult one. We are happy to be working WITH Superintendent Leon to restore and improve our schools, but there is much work to be done. There are still administrators out there who are looking to divide and conquer us. We must remain vigilant in our fight to do what is best for the children of Newark.

In Solidarity,

John M. Abeigon President/Director of Organization Newark Teachers Union



Got kids and the co-pays are killing you? Taking care of mom costing you an arm and a leg?

Want to reduce your taxable income and increase your take home pay?

This workshop's for you!!!

What: NTU/NPS FSA Workshop



When: Thursday, Sept. 20 4 PM to 5 PM

Where: Newark Teachers Union

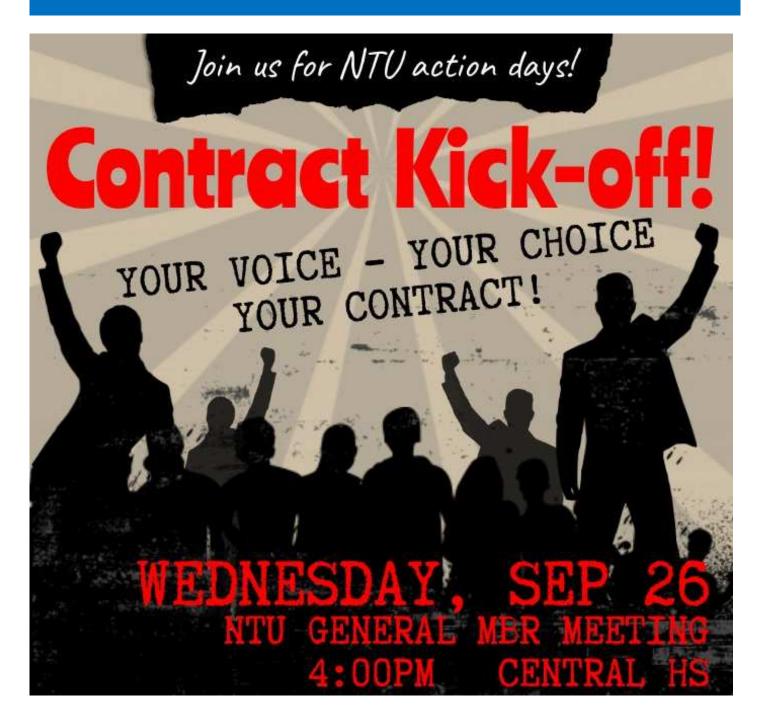
1019 Broad Street

Parking available behind the building on Beecher Street!

All NTU workshops are for NTU members only.

If you plan on attending, RSVP to sscreven@newarkteachersunion.com

Upcoming Membership Meeting!



SAVE THE DATES

- NTU Executive Board Meeting Monday, September 17 4:00 pm NTU Office, 1019 Broad Street.
- NTU Building Rep Meeting Tuesday, September 18 4:00 pm NTU Office, 1019 Broad Street.
- NPS Business Meeting Tuesday, September 18, 5:30 PM NPS Office, 765 Broad Street
- NPS Board of Education Tuesday, September 25, 6:00 PM Hawkins Street School, 8 Hawkins St

• NTU/NPS Health Savings Workshop Thursday, Sept 20 – 4 to 5 PM – NTU Office, 1019 Broad Street

• Newark Membership Meeting/Contract Negotiations Kickoff (Members only)– Wednesday, Sept 26 -4:00 – 5:30 PM Central High School, 246 18th Ave

• **Student Debt Clinic (Members only, more info to come)-** – Tuesday, October 16 4:30pm – 6:30 pm – NTU Office, 1019 Broad Street

Arbitration Award Update

Winner: NTU V

A Superior Court judge upheld a 2012 arbitrator's award between the Newark teachers union and the school district, which was at the time operated by the state. The union has long insisted that the arbitrator's decision was binding, but the state challenged the results in court.

NTUNIVERSITY

We are looking for Workshops, Presentations, Activities to be presented by our members, for our members. Please reach out to Michael Iovino at <u>miovino@newarkteachersunion.com</u> if you are interested!

MEMBER SERVICES

NTU Members should never hesitate to communicate with us by phone, email, etc regarding any of the issues we handle at the Newark Teachers Union.

- Supplemental Fringe Benefits
- Planning for Retirement
- Pension & Buy Back Issues
- ER+D Staff Development
- AFT Membership Benefits
- FMLA and other leaves of absence
- Assistance with Evaluations and Observations
- Disciplinary Hearings
- Labor Relations & Payroll
- Legal Representation
- Workers Comp
- Tuition Reimbursement

Call 973-643-8430 or visit our website <u>http://newark.nj.aft.org/</u> or email mmaillaro@newarkteachersunion.com to address these or any other concerns you may have.

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