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NEA REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY 2019

Election of delegates to the National Education Association Representative Assembly is coming up in February/March. The Rep Assembly will be held in Houston, TX this summer and runs from July 2—July 8.

WHAT IS IT? The RA is the highest decision-making body within the over 3 million-member NEA. With over 8,000 delegates, it is also the world's largest democratic deliberative body.

RA delegates debate the vital issues that impact American public education and set NEA policy and activities for the year ahead.

Elected delegates determine NEA's strategic plan and budget, legislative program and resolutions. Delegates also vote on proposed amendments to the NEA constitution and bylaws and elect NEA's executive officers, Executive Committee members, and at-large members of the NEA Board of Directors.

Any member may run for either local or state delegate (or both). In order to attend the Rep Assembly, you must pay for your meals, hotel room and transportation. State delegates will be reimbursed up to \$2000 by CTA (with appropriate receipts). Any funding for local delegates must be approved by each Rep Council.

If you are interested in being a candidate for state delegate, a Declaration of Candidacy form can be found in the December/January edition of the *California Educator*, page 71 or on the CTA website.

If you are interested in being a candidate for local delegate, use the candidacy form provided here. **Deadline for declaration forms is Thursday, January 31, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. State forms are due to the Bay Valley office, and local forms are due to the SBUT office.**

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY - LOCAL DELEGATE TO THE 2019 NEA REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Member Name: _____ Local chapter: CVSTA MBUTA PVFA RBTA

Address: _____

Duties of local delegates to the Rep Assembly:

1. Each delegate shall attend all business meetings of the RA.
2. Each delegate is strongly encouraged to attend NEA Budget Committee hearings, Resolutions Committee hearings, Bylaw Committee hearings, etc.
3. Each delegate shall take into consideration the local chapter and its goals & objectives when voting.
4. Each delegate will be expected to sit with his/her Service Center Council delegation on the RA floor or to inform the appropriate person where he/she will be seated. This is to ensure communication regarding RA business and/or personal emergency information of concern to the delegate, as well as to verify attendance.
5. Each delegate will give a report of the RA to the chapter Representative Council at one of the Fall Rep Council meetings.

I understand that as a local delegate, I am responsible for all expenses related to the Rep Assembly. The Representative Council of my local chapter may agree to reimburse me for all or part of my expenses, however, I must receive approval from them.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Form must be returned to the SBUT office by 5:00pm on January 31, 2019 to qualify as a local delegate candidate