

KEA President's Points

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Next week is an important week for our country!

November 8th is Election Day across the nation. We are less than one week away from finding out who are future leaders will be. In this election I predict, every vote WILL count. Please make sure to take time next Tuesday to exercise your right to vote in this historic election. The future of our students depend on us exercising this right.

On November 11th we celebrate Veteran's Day. From my experience, every school every year goes ABOVE and BEYOND to celebrate the sacrifices of our men and women in uniform each year. These programs are always inspiring and indeed an important lesson for our students. If you are in need of resources to help you with teaching about Veteran's Day please visit <http://www.nea.org/tools/lessons/veterans-day-activities-intro.html>.

Need some extra money? Check out this opportunity!

Free and open to all, *NEA edCommunities* is the place online where educators, school support professionals, and community members join forces to improve student success. A variety of groups address diverse education issues-from Common Core to school bullying, National Board certification to safe and healthy schools, ESP hot issues to flipped classrooms. You can also form a group of your own to advocate and collaborate on an issue that matters to your students and schools.

Job Description- A PPC Facilitator is responsible for creating and maintaining an engaging group on *NEA edCommunities*. The facilitator will be responsible for making the community exciting, vibrant, and a great place to discuss and share resources. Responsibilities include posting and participating in online discussions, sharing useful and relevant resources and responding to group members' interests, questions and needs. A facilitator is also required to submit plans, participate in regular virtual meetings and work towards increasing membership and engagement in their group and on the *NEA edCommunities* site overall. **The facilitator is expected to spend between 3 and 5 hours per week on this work. This position pays a \$2,500 stipend per year.** Applicants should contact Segun Eubanks, seubanks@nea.org or Brandy Bixler, bbixler@nea.org to apply or ask clarifying questions.

Qualifications-

- Strong content knowledge in the area that you are applying for
- Good written and oral communication skills
- 24-7 access to a computer with a webcam and audio
- 24-7 access to the internet
- Successful experience using online digital tools for communication and collaboration
- Experience using digital tools to connect and learn professionally
- Have or the ability to have and use Google Docs, Gmail and Google Calendar
- Current NEA member

EPSB in need of content teachers to work on Content Area Reviews

The Education Professional Standards Board is charged with approving and monitoring teacher preparation programs at colleges and universities. A part of this process requires EPSB to establish Content Area Review Committees comprised of professionals with expertise in content areas such as art, math, elementary, guidance counseling, etc.

The Division of Educator Preparation is seeking nominations for educators to serve on its Content Area Program Review Committees. With the adoption of CAEP accreditation standards, these committees are necessary to provide content area expertise. They are charged with evaluating educator preparation program review documents, looking closely at program content to ensure adequacy of preparation and alignment of programs to SPA standards, Kentucky Academic Standards, CAEP InTASC standards, and Kentucky Teacher Standards. The review is conducted electronically and there are no meetings to attend.

These committees submit written comments to the EPSB staff and the Reading Committee for use in the program approval process. These committees do not make any determination or decision regarding the approval or denial of a program.

As such, EPSB is seeking nominations of teachers with content area knowledge (e.g., Elementary, Middle School, Secondary Art, Biology, Chemistry, ESL, World Languages, Special Education, Geography, Social Sciences, Teacher Leader, Principal, Superintendent, Instructional Leadership, Guidance Counseling, Mathematics, English/Language Arts, etc.) to assist with these program reviews. Applicants will be asked in a follow up communication with them of their willingness to serve. Those accepted as committee review members usually review approximately two programs annually. There is no payment for this, but this work is counted as professional service to the education community. EPSB will provide training

for the reviewers in the process and responsibilities. *Applicants who are very familiar with the content standards for their field of expertise (SPA standards) are encouraged to apply by November 15, 2016. Please send an email of interest to keapresident@kea.org and put "EPSB Content Review" in the subject line. Applicants should list their qualifications and the content area for which they would like to serve in the email as well.*

Dates to Remember:

Nov. 8th - Election Day! Go VOTE!!

Nov. 11th Veteran's Day

Nov. 14-18 - American Education Week

Nov. 16th - National ESP Day

Nov. 30th - Locals should return KEA Delegate Assembly elected delegate forms to vleathers@kea.org



Sincerely,

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