

MEA

Michigan Education Association

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Re: Your request to resign membership in the Michigan Education Association

There is a process for membership resignation that you will need to follow should you decide to resign your membership. That process is as follows:

Continuing membership in the Association shall be terminated at the request of a member when such a request is submitted to the Association in writing, signed by the member and postmarked between August 1 and August 31 of the year preceding the designated membership year.

That request must be mailed to:

Michigan Education Association
P.O. Box 51
East Lansing, MI 48826

To assure that we affect to correct record, please state what school district you work in. Additionally, we recommend you send that communication to us using **certified mail**. Although it is not required to use certified mail, we have found that it is always best to be able to verify time sensitive communications.

We are concerned that you want to resign your membership in the MEA and we would like to know if you would be willing to share with us your reasons for resigning. All organizations need feedback and we cannot improve if we do not know what our members want to see. Please contact the MEA Help Center at 866-MEA-HELP (866-632-4357) or your local field office at 616-957-4732.

We know that this has been a contentious and stressful period for all MEA members, but we also know that we can work together to move forward. There are tough battles ahead, and challenges that we must overcome. School employees and public education are under attack by those who do not care about your best interests or the interests of students.

The best way to overcome these attacks is by sticking together and making our collective voice heard. At our core, MEA has the same concerns that we have always had; protecting the rights of this state's school employees and the quality of our students' education. We know that by improving the working conditions for school employees, we improve the lives of the students. We will continue to be the voice for public education.

Membership in the MEA includes many protections and benefits, and helps support these same benefits to other members around the state. We have included a listing of the benefits that you receive as a MEA member with this mailing. Should you have questions about any of them, please contact the MEA Help Center at the number listed above.

We know there is a great deal of misinformation and misunderstandings about the MEA—what it does and what it represents. Perhaps some of these miscommunications are the root of your discontent with your membership. The MEA is the strongest champion for your rights and the rights of every school employee and student. We want you to be involved in the MEA and make sure you are fully aware of your benefits and rights. Your voice needs to be heard, and the best way for that to happen is by your continued membership in an organization that believes in public education: the MEA.

Sincerely,

Barbara Carson-Knox
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cc: Local MEA UniServ office and MEA Help Center