

W T U p d a t e

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FROM THE
PRESIDENT'S DESK



Dear Colleagues,
I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support this year as I became your union president. We have had a difficult year, but you have persevered and continued to maintain your professionalism and dedication to Warwick's students. Please accept my sincere thanks for all of your hard work. Have a safe, enjoyable summer and be assured that the union leadership will continue in our efforts to keep the Warwick Teachers' Union strong and to reach a successor contract on your behalf.

Sincerely,
Darlene Netcoh

LAY-OFFS

By state law, school committees must conform with the June 1 notification deadline for the lay-off of teachers. In accordance with the terms of our Collective Bargaining Agreement, the Warwick School Committee may send forty (40) lay-off notices to our members but are limited to twenty (20) actual lay-offs. On May 9, the School Committee voted to send lay-off notices to thirty-one (31) teachers in the following areas:

Art	1
Business	2
English	1
Guidance	3
Math	4
P.E.	1
Reading	4
Music	2
Science	2
Social Studies	6
Tech. Ed.	3
Special Education	2

As always, we hope that all of our members are recalled to their positions as soon as possible.

25 WEEK CLUB WINNERS

Week 21	Carol DeTroia Pilgrim
Week 22	Kathy Palazzo Wickes
Week 23	Melissa Lamothe Park
Week 24	Dana Scolaro Warwick Neck
Week 25	Claire Matteson Pilgrim
Bonus Week 21-25	Karleen Schweizer Toll Gate
\$100	Lori Sheridan Park
\$200	Thalia Wood Toll Gate
\$1,000	Mark Chakiris Veterans

Congratulations to all. A special thank you to Pauline Pinto and Julie Connors-Costello for ensuring another successful 25 Week Club.

Also, we appreciate the work of our building reps, and we thank all of you who joined.

EVALUATION

8-1.3 Evaluation and observation forms shall be signed by the evaluators and then a copy given to the teacher. The original shall be signed by the teacher and then placed in his/her file. Such signature shall indicate only that the teacher has read his/her report and does not indicate approval or disapproval on his/her part.

Each evaluation form shall have space designated and provided for comments by the teacher being evaluated. These comments may be added at the time that the evaluation is signed by the teacher.

JOB FAIR INFO

The 2017-2018 Job Fair has been scheduled for Monday June 19 at 3:45 p.m. at Pilgrim High School.

The deadline to get your letter to Donna O'Rourke in Human Resources is June 9.

- May 22, 2017 Mini Job Fairs
- May 26, 2017 In-house Job Fair
- June 2, 2017 Known vacancy list
- June 5, 2017 Teacher schedules 2017-2018
- June 8, 2017 Involuntary transfer letters
- June 9, 2017 Deadline: Request invite to Job Fair
- June 19, 2017 Job Fair-Pilgrim

YOU ARE THE UNION

Whenever someone asks, "What is the union doing?", the response is, "You are the union." These words are significant because a successful union is comprised of members who maintain their solidarity with each other and engage in activities that demonstrate our strength and resolve.

Thank you to everyone who has picketed City Hall, attended school committee meetings, spoken publicly, contacted school committee members, distributed flyers, and participated in union events. These are trying times, but together we will remain united and strong and continue to provide a quality education to our students. As our motto states, we are a "union of professionals." Our strength as a union will ensure our success not only in the classroom but also in all of our endeavors.

