# **Be part of the largest democratic body in the world! Be a Student Delegate to the 2023 NEA-RA**

Almost 100 AEA members become a part of the world's largest deliberative body— 8,000 strong—when they are elected by their colleagues to represent them at the NEA Representative Assembly each year. The NEA-RA is the governing body of the 3 million members of the NEA. The 2023 annual meeting, to be held July 2-6 in Orlando, FL, sets objectives, passes a budget, determines direction, and votes on guiding principles for the Association, the largest professional organization, and union in the country. You can be part of this exciting process by running as an AEA student delegate. Nominate yourself to be a student delegate by completing the NEA RA Student Nomination form. To run as a candidate representing Aspiring Educators. The Arizona Education Association's student members of the National Education Association Student Program (NEA-SP) will elect one delegate to the National Education Association Representative Assembly. Delegate entitlement will be determined by the membership as of March 15, 2023. At that time, the Arizona Education Association's Student Delegate. Nomination Form must be submitted to the Arizona Education Association headquarters on or before 5 PM, March 24, 2023.

# Members of color are especially encouraged to run for AEA leadership positions and as an RA delegate.

## **IMPORTANT: Voting Process**

AEA student members will vote online for their 2023 NEA-RA Student delegate representatives. Online voting will open on March 28, 2023, and close on April 4, 2023. Individuals may request paper ballots to cast their votes during this period. If you have questions about online voting, please contact Nicole Adams, staff liaison to the AEA Elections Committee, at 602-407-2343 or 800-352-5411, ext. 143.

## AEA Elections Timeline

March 17, 2023 Nominations open for Student Delegate

March 24, 2023, 5 PM Nominations close for Student Delegate

March 28, 2023-April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Online voting is available to all student members for the NEA-RA student candidates.



#### Student Delegate to NEA-RA

The Arizona Education Association's student members of the National Education Association-Student Program (NEA-SP) will elect one delegate to the National Education Association Representative Assembly. Delegate entitlement will be determined by the membership as of March 15, 2023. At that time, the Arizona Education Association's Elections Committee will proceed with the nomination and election processes to elect Arizona's Student Delegate.

For the nomination of self or another Arizona Education Association/National Education Association Active, Life or NEA-Retired member to the NEA Representative Assembly Nomination Form must be submitted to the Arizona Education Association headquarters on or before 5 PM, March 24, 2023. Nomination Forms submitted after 5 PM on March 24, 2023, will not be accepted.

#### Candidate

Address	_City	State	ZIP
University/College	Home Email		
Telephone (H) Candidate for the office of NEA Student Delegate	(M) Term: One Year		

Candidates for National Education Association Student Delegates may submit a statement NOT TO EXCEED THE 50-WORD LIMIT to be distributed to eligible voters. Please attach the candidate statement to this form. In all campaign statements, the articles "a," "an," "to," and "NEA," "AEA," and the local association name or abbreviation shall be counted as a single word. Campaign statements that exceed appropriate limitations will be cut by striking complete sentences from the end of the statement until the statement meets the word limit.

The Arizona Education Association candidates for Student Delegates may provide a current photo if it is to be published with their statement. Photos will not be returned. The Arizona Education Association does not maintain a photo file from year to year.

#### The undersigned has read and approved the attached statements about the candidate.

#### Signature of Nominator (Optional)

Signature of Candidate (Candidate must sign)

The nomination form, statement, and optional photo must be submitted on or before 5 PM on March 24, 2023.

The nomination form may be submitted via mail, hand-delivery, fax, or email to:

AEA Elections Committee 345 E. Palm Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85004 FAX: (602) 240-6887 Email: *nicole.adams@arizonaea.org*