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Join the LIVE UNITED campaign

We begin our United Way campaign on Thursday, Oct. 7, at the Arts Impact MS. Principals, supervisors and faculty representatives should attend to



learn how to run an effective campaign. Janet Jackson, President & CEO of United Way of Central Ohio, will join us. We will enjoy refreshments from 3:30–4:30 p.m. The business of our Legislative Assembly will follow the kickoff.

If you are new to the district or have not had the chance to lead a campaign, you will be swept up on the enthusiasm our members and administrators have for this important community effort. United Way of Central Ohio brings together the resources of our community, investing our collective time, money and efforts in effective, results-oriented programs. These programs are the building blocks for a good life: a quality education, a stable income, good health and secure housing. We all benefit when children and families succeed.

By focusing on the building blocks for a good life, we can create positive change, now and for the future. Be part of something big. GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER. LIVE UNITED.

Know your CEA District Governor

The CEA Constitution and Bylaws designate the Board of Governors as the Association's executive arm. This week's *Voice* features Dwayne Zimmerman, Governor of District 4.

Dwayne is a high school vocal music teacher. He has also worked at the elementary level. Dwayne has served as the SrFR of his alma mater, Linden-McKinley STEM Academy. He has been involved in various CEA committees and is currently a member of the Reform Panel.



Dwayne Zimmerman

Zimmerman has served as the Governor of District 4 since the fall of 2007. Schools in District 4 include: Academic Acceleration Academy, Arts Impact MS, CAHS, Columbus Global Academy, Columbus Spanish Immersion, Duxberry Park ES, École Kenwood, Fifth Ave. @ Everett, Ft. Hayes HS, Ft. Hayes CC, Hamilton STEM Academy, Hudson Community Education Center, International HS, Linden STEM Academy, Linden-McKinley STEM Academy, South Mifflin STEM Academy and Windsor STEM Academy.

Capital Day waivers

As an alternative to the Capital Day activities at the Columbus Convention Center, some district programs and schools have been approved to offer professional development on Capital Day for their staff members. Registration for all Capital Day activities opens on Monday, Oct. 4, in PD Planner and closes on Tuesday, Oct. 12. Go to the PD Planner activities search screen, and enter the words "Capital Day 2010."

Schools/programs that have been given a waiver to attend Capital Day are as follows: **District Offerings**—Art Community Partnerships/Student Support, Guidance Health Services, Reading Language Arts, Speech and Language, TAP, Visually Impaired and World Languages. **School-site Offerings**—Adult & Community Education, Briggs HS, Burroughs ES, Cassidy ES, Centennial Feeder Pattern, Clinton ES, Colerain ES, Columbus International HS, Devonshire ES, Dominion MS, East Linden ES, Fairmoor ES, Hamilton STEM, Hilltonia MS, Huy ES/A.G. Bell, Indianola K–8, Innis ES, Leewood ES, Lindbergh ES, Northland HS Science Dept., Northtowne ES, Parsons ES, Salem ES, Southmoor MS, Southwood ES, Trevitt ES, West HS and Windsor STEM.

We had a great Fling!

What a great event! The annual CEA Fall Fling attracted hundreds of members. A number of elected officials, candidates and CCS administrators mingled with CEA to answer questions and share some good will. We talked, laughed, listened to the music, danced and had a great time. Many of you learned about how to get more involved in CEA. Those of you who just joined our crew realize what a fabulous group of educators we are. That's what it's all about.

Thanks to all who attended this year's CEA Fall Fling. We also want to thank the following volunteers who helped make this event a success: Mary Barber, Jan Bell, Lori Cannon, Shannon Kandler-Clemons, Ernestine Creasy, Gerry Curran, Carla Davis, Claudia Eschelbach, Barbara Flu-Allen, Dean Fowls, Charlene Gomer, Kathleen Hall, Tammy Hampton, John Hank, Sandra Harris, Vickie Hatfield, Tracie Helmbrecht, Rita Hinz, Bronda Jackson, Brian Johnson, Becky King, Mary Leeper, Lynette Lewis, Becky Link, Jill Markey, Greg Mild, Joan Miller, Natalie Mills, Carole Moyer, Lauren Mummert, Judy Murphy, Carol Neague, Kate Penn, Jenny Plemel, Char Potts, Barb Reed, Tyree Rivers, Trisha

Seiler, Kelly Simmons, Charles Steele, Izetta Thomas, Paula Tome, Elaine Turner, Diana Welsh, Judy Wright, Susie Wright, Tara Wrighter, Michele Wyatt and Stephanie Zimmerman.

Credit flexibility committees

High school students can get credit one of three ways: traditional coursework, testing out of and/or demonstrating proficiency of course content and educational options through completion of an approved individual proposal. These routes for earning high school credit come out of HB 311 and are called credit flexibility.

The classroom teacher does not have a role in credit flexibility. Committees made up of content area teachers will be responsible for approving applications and determining credit.

In order for students to test out or participate in education options, they must submit an application that is reviewed and approved by the Credit Flexibility Application Review Committee. The Credit Flexibility Credit Determination Committee determines if the student work meets the criteria for receiving high school credit.

If you are interested in being on one of the committees, see your principal or Senior Faculty Representative. The process for selecting teachers to serve on these committees will be the same type of process that we use to select teachers to be on textbook adoption committees. The ABC will vote and the nominees' names will be sent to CEA. One teacher per building may be nominated to serve on the Credit Flexibility Application Review Committee. Two regular education teachers and two special education teachers from each building may be nominated to serve on the Credit Flexibility Credit Determination Committee. Teachers nominated should be currently teaching and hold HQT status in the area of nomination. The content areas are Career/Technical, Health and/or Physical Education, Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, Technology, Unified Arts and World Languages. Committee members will be paid the supplemental hourly rate for time outside the teacher workday.

Report your teacher selections on the appropriate forms. Send them by school mail or by fax (253-5052) to CEA President Rhonda Johnson by 5 p.m., Friday, Oct. 8. For questions, call Karmen McCaslin at 365-6599; or e-mail her at kmccasli@columbus.k12.oh.us.

Special notes

- ❑ For a limited time, you can purchase **Browns tickets** for as low as \$25 per ticket—that's a savings of up to \$10. To purchase tickets, go to <http://bit.ly/cOujul>, click on **Find Tickets** and enter **CRIBBS2010** as the special offer code. We'll see you at Cleveland Browns Stadium on Sunday, Oct. 10, at 1 p.m. as the Browns battle the Atlanta Falcons.
- ❑ The **deadline** for applying for the **CEA Members Scholarship Fund** is **Oct. 29. Get \$750 in tuition assistance** for your college senior. Go to <http://bit.ly/cS4HpX> to download an application. For more information, call Cora Miller at 253-4731.
- ❑ The **deadline** for submitting an application for the **Ingram Grant for teachers** is **Friday, Oct. 8, 4 p.m.** For more information, call 365-8733.
- ❑ In the event of vacancies on the CEA Board of Governors this fall, **CEA election dates** are as follows: Declarations—Oct. 18–22; Campaigning—Oct. 25–29; Voting—Nov. 2–15; Ballots tallied—Nov. 16.

CEA Pre-Paid Legal Services Plan OEA/NEA Attorney Referral Program

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