



# The MEA Advantage :

For Your Career  
For Your Rights  
For Your Wallet  
For Public Education

## Benefits of MEA Membership

### Members receive:

- Benefits found in your collective bargaining agreement
- Representation on matters pertaining to your collective bargaining agreement
- Belonging to an organization that advocates for public schools, school employees and students
- Supporting MEA's political, legislative and public relations efforts for great public schools
- Free online professional development
- Employment liability insurance for both civil and criminal cases, with \$1 million coverage for civil damages
- MEA Advantage members-only discounts
- Legal services for:
  - unemployment cases
  - certification issues
  - retirement issues
  - discrimination based on union activity
  - discrimination under federal/state laws based on race gender, age, sexual orientation, etc.
  - teacher tenure, wage & hour and Michigan Employment Relations Commission cases
- Training and consultation regarding special education issues
- Advice on employment-related statutory rights
- Subscriptions to *MEA Voice* & *NEA Today* magazines and other e-mail newsletters
- Access to MEA and NEA conferences, including:
  - Winter Conference
  - Summer Conference
  - Higher Education Conference
  - ESP Statewide Conference
- Ability to attend local and regional MEA-sponsored trainings
- Assistance in obtaining National Board Certification
- Right to attend local association meetings and social functions



*Benefits continue* ►



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## MEA membership benefits continued

- Voting privileges (contracts, officers, etc.) at the state, local and national levels
- Eligibility to hold elected office at the state, local and national levels
- Access to MEA-Financial Services programs:
  - Group automobile insurance discounts
  - Group homeowners insurance discounts
  - MEA Cash Back Platinum Plus Credit Card
  - MEA Sponsored Group Term Life Insurance
  - Long Term Care Insurance – member discounts
- Access to discounted personal legal services through Goodman Acker firm
- Access to NEA Complementary Life Insurance
- Access to NEA Member Benefits programs:
  - NEA Home Financing Program
  - NEA Smart Option Student Loan
  - NEA Personal Loan
  - NEA Click & Save online discounts
  - NEA Auto Buying Program
  - Jeep Preferred Pricing Program
  - NEA ID Theft Protection
  - NEA Magazine Service
  - NEA Vacations
  - And more...

### MEA Online Membership Application

[mea.org/join](http://mea.org/join)



### MEA Membership Benefits

[mea.org/member-benefits](http://mea.org/member-benefits)



## Non-members receive:

- Benefits found in your collective bargaining agreement
- Representation **ONLY** on matters pertaining to your collective bargaining agreement



*To learn more about the MEA Advantage, contact the MEA Help Center at 866-MEA-HELP or chat with a Help Center operator at [www.mea.org](http://www.mea.org).*



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—Amanda Feyen, Manistee

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—Melissa Hildreth, Highland

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