



Matt - here is your September, 2016 e-newsletter (with updates since early-August):

[Responding to Judge's School Resources Ruling](#)

A sweeping decision in the Connecticut Coalition for Justice in Education Funding (CCJEF) case issued in early September goes far beyond the state's education cost sharing formula.

[Click here for our state federation president's response to the judge's disrespectful comments and punitive orders regarding accountability.](#)

[Urging Congress to Stand with America's Workers](#)

Our national union president in her annual Labor Day message called on members to "redouble our efforts to recreate an enduring middle class." [Click here to read, share and amplify Randi Weingarten's message by asking our federal elected officials to join us.](#)

[Legal Professionals Uniting for a Seat at the Table](#)

Assistant attorneys general (AAGs) are seeking to join fellow public employees for a voice in "decisions that impact their profession and their work life." [Click here for our announcement of joint efforts by public defenders and AAGs to form their own local unions.](#)

[A New Sandy Hook School for a New School Year](#)

Newtown teachers, paraprofessionals, education personnel and custodians ahead of the first day of classes in late August met with state and national union leaders. [Click here for photos of the visit, which including a tour of the new Sandy Hook Elementary School.](#)

[Regional Education Service Center Caregivers Choose "Union YES"](#)

The "sisterhood" of school nurses at the Capitol Region Education Council (CREC) in late August voted overwhelmingly to form a local union within our state federation. [Click here for more on how these caregivers plan to be "even stronger advocates" for their students' health.](#)

[Union Members in the Spotlight](#)

Ahead of National Senior Citizens Day we highlighted retired union members who remain actively engaged in protecting our state's quality of life. [Click here to meet three retirees committed to staying involved "not just for ourselves, but for future generations."](#)

[Uniting Windham for the Schools their Children Deserve](#)

Union members in mid-August mobilized parents, students and advocates to block Windham's finance board from further slashing the town's public education resources. [Click here for a photo from the meeting where officials voted to preserve a proposed budget to be sent to referendum.](#)

["All In" to Reclaim Our Schools](#)

Delegates from Connecticut and across the U.S. took collective action at our national union's biennial convention to mobilize for educational justice. [Click here for a report-back and hear from union leaders preparing another round of school "walk-ins" on October 6.](#)

Upcoming Activities & Events

- September 10 - 29: [CT AFL-CIO "Labor 2016" Campaign Walks & Phone Banks](#)
- October 6: ["Walk Ins" to Reclaim Our Schools](#)
- October 15: [PreK-12 Teachers' Pre-Retirement Seminar](#)
- November 8: [Congressional/Legislative & Presidential General Election](#)

Featured Benefit

- Union Plus: [TRUECar Auto Buying Service](#)

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