



Union Member - here is your December, 2020 e-newsletter (with updates since early November):

### **[Taking Action to Protect Student and School Staff Health](#)** \*

Our coalition of unions representing teachers and support staff in late November stepped up efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) in schools. [Click here to share our petition demanding state officials provide the guidance local officials need to prioritize safety.](#)

### **[Advocating for "Safe and Successful Schools Now"](#)** \*

Union leaders released a report before launching our petition with concrete steps for reducing the "constant disruptions and upheaval" resulting from spiking COVID-19 cases. [Click here for their call to state officials to proactively close buildings in order to assure safe learning.](#)

### **[Fighting for "Quality and Accessible Medical Care"](#)**

Nurses and allied health professionals in early November began alerting the Vernon community to their employer's move to shut down vital acute care services. [Click here to share our Prospect Hospital Unions united members' online petition to "save Rockville General Hospital \(RGH\) now."](#)

### **[Standing Up for Safe Patient Limits](#)**

Union members concerned about the future of their community access to care in early November launched efforts to engage their patients and family members. [Click here for photos of nurses demonstrating how they are "fighting for safe staffing" at New Milford Hospital.](#)

## Upcoming Activities & Events

- December 7: [NextGen Science Standards Webinar for K-3 Teachers](#)
- December 12: ["Save RGH Now" Car Caravan](#)
- December 12: [People's World Amistad Awards: United for the World We Want](#)
- December 16: [Virtual Mindfulness Workshop for Educators](#)
- January 20: [Local Union Steward's Training Webinar](#)
- January 25: ["Sleep Health" Virtual Workshop](#)

## Featured Benefit

- Union Plus: [Holiday Giveback](#)

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