



Union Member - here is your January, 2022 e-newsletter (with updates since early December):

#### **Demanding "Stable and Safe Learning Environments" \***

Labor leaders in late December called on state officials to require local and regional districts enact additional COVID-19 protocols in all Connecticut's public schools. [Click here for a report on the Board of Education \(BOE\) Union Coalition's recently updated health and safety principles.](#)

#### **Speaking Out for Safe Patient Limits**

Caregivers are engaging their colleagues and communities in a grassroots campaign aimed at raising public awareness of the risks of unsafe hospital staffing levels. [Click here for photos in late December shared on social media featuring a local healthcare union's member nurses.](#)

#### **Broadcasting a Message for Mothers and Babies \***

Our state federation's first ads exposing a regional health chain's cruel cuts to local maternity services were in late December launched on social media. [Click here to watch and share the video spot to drive up our collective call for legislative action.](#)

#### **Learning Strategies for Supporting LGBTQ Students**

Educators in early December gathered for professional development focused on gender identity and expression differences and how each may be expressed by young people. [Click here for photos of PreK-12 and paraprofessionals and school-related personnel \(PSRP\) union members attending the webinar.](#)

## Upcoming Activities & Events

- January 8: [BEE-New Britain Community Survey Launch](#)
- January 11: [PreK-12 Teachers/Paras "Promoting Student Voice" Webinar](#)
- January 12: [BEE-New Britain Community Conversation](#)
- January 25: [Intro to Union Communications Webinar](#)
- January 26: [Public Healthcare Action to Address Unsafe Staffing](#) \*
- February 8: [BEE-New Britain Community Conversation](#)
- February 16: [NextGen Science Standards Webinar for K-2 Teachers](#)
- February 28: ["What's Real in Education" Conference](#) \*

## Featured Benefit

- AFT +: [Robert G. Porter Scholars Program](#)

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