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*The e-newsletter for AFT Connecticut*

Union Member - here is your May, 2021 e-newsletter (with updates since early April):

### **[Winning Overdue Health and Safety Protections](#)**

Our latest collective bargaining report showcases a local affiliate whose leaders organized high profile public actions that engaged their community and area elected officials. [Click here to learn how healthcare union members' activism paved the way for progress on a safer workplace.](#)

### **[Turning Up to Preserve Higher Ed Learning Opportunities](#)** \*

Faculty, alumni and advocates in late April organized a massive march on the State Capitol to demand investments in Connecticut's public colleges and universities. [Click here for photos of the action that featured higher education union members and the students they serve.](#)

### **[Talking Policies that Help Frontline Heroes](#)** \*

Legislative leaders promoting pandemic relief proposals joined AFT Connecticut President Jan Hochadel and Vice President for Healthcare Bill Garrity for our latest podcast episode. [Click here to hear the interview with the legislature's labor committee co-chairs, Julie Kushner and Robyn Porter.](#)

### **[Taking Our Issues Direct to Elected Officials](#)** \*

Local union leaders and activists in mid April gathered virtually for three regional meetings with area legislators to discuss our state federation's priority policies. [Click here for photos of members and their elected representatives from the greater Hartford and central Connecticut areas.](#)

## Upcoming Activities & Events

- May 11: [PreK-8 "Engaging Students in Science" Webinar](#)
- May 17: [Recovery for All "Tax Day" Rally in Hartford](#) \*
- May 19 & June 16: [Database Training Webinars for Union Leaders](#)
- May 24: [ConnectiCOSH OSHA Workers' Rights Webinar](#)

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