Union member - here is your October, 2020 e-newsletter (with updates since early September):

"Coming Together and Coming Up with a Win"

A local affiliate's successful contract settlement and ratification — despite the COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) and Hurricane Isaias — is spotlighted in our most recent collective bargaining report. Click here to learn about how paraprofessionals and school-related personnel (PSRP) union members overcame both for this victory.

Encouraging Educators for Stepping Up in Unprecedented Times

AFT Connecticut President Jan Hochadel in late September added her voice to the state Teacher of the Year Council's back to school recognition efforts. Click here to watch her message to union members that "we are still together" even when physically distant.

Demanding their Employer Prioritize Safe Workers

Members of our local union at Backus Hospital in Norwich are ready to "walk the line" for a fair contract that protects patients and caregivers. Click here to watch and share their first video spot building public awareness ahead of a scheduled strike.

Urging State Protocols for School-Based Outbreaks *

Labor leaders in mid September publicly called on the Lamont Administration to reign in local district officials over inconsistent responses to spiking COVID-19 cases. Click here for our board of education (BOE) unions' press release demanding an end to decisions "behind closed doors."

Upcoming Activities & Events

- October 8: "Confronting the Climate Crisis" Virtual Town Hall
- October 12: 2020 Election Roundtable Discussion *
- October 13: "Back Us, Back Our Nurses" on Strike Rally
- October 16: ConnectiCOSH Annual Health and Safety Convention
- October 28: PreK-12 "Google Slides" Training Webinar
- November 3: Presidential, Congressional & Legislative General Election *
- November 5: PreK-12 & PSRP "Google Docs" Training Webinar
- November 19: PreK-12/PSRP Students with ADHD Professional Development Webinar

Featured Benefit

- Union Plus: Dental Care Discounts

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