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Support Educators Now to Grow ARTA Later

Thanks to COVID-19, the current new school year promises to be as challenging as the last, and the one before. Add to this an obstacle that districts have faced since long before the pandemic: a shortage of qualified teachers.

The teacher shortage is not a new phenomenon, and a true solution, beyond the ongoing pandemic, will require massive shifts in how education is funded and perceived. However, there are some specific reasons for the problem that can be addressed now, in our own communities.

The top three reasons for the teacher shortage, as reported by Frontline Education, are a) a lack of fully qualified applicants, b) salary and benefits lacking compared to other careers, and c) fewer new education graduates.¹

A Lack of Fully Qualified Applicants

The most common reason given for district shortages is that there are not enough fully qualified applicants. This results in positions being filled by uncertified teachers, first-year teachers, or teachers without credentials in the subject they are asked to teach.²

Research shows that investing in the potential and growth of beginning teachers is one way to counteract the impact of the teacher shortage. This also ties directly into the role of retention: teachers who feel supported are teachers who stick around and don't need to be replaced.¹

Salary and Benefits Lacking in Comparison

Salaries and benefits comprise on average 80% of district expenditures. Districts may have the will or incentive to address teacher compensation, but the problem can only really be solved by increased funding for K-12 education.¹

Fewer New Education Graduates

The third most common reason cited for the teacher shortage is that institutes of higher education and teacher prep programs are graduating fewer new teachers. Whether undergraduates shy away from the low salaries associated with, or the negative perceptions of, teaching, schools aren't attracting enough education enrollees.¹

Community Solutions

One of the purposes of ARTA is to maintain an active interest in public education. This interest is based on a core belief in the benefits of public education, and supports a vision of all active educators as future ARTA members.

ARTA members, as individuals and as members of local units and the association,

are uniquely positioned to address the most often cited causes of teacher shortages. ARTA members can a) support active personnel, especially new teachers, b) share the benefits of a stable and secure retirement, and c) encourage interest among young people in the education profession.

Support Active Personnel

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, one of the primary ways ARTA members supported active educators was through service in local school districts. Schools have curtailed access for volunteers, but local units and individual members can still provide community service to schools.

Contact your local school district to learn more about individual classroom needs, virtual tutoring opportunities, or new teachers who could use a word of encouragement.



Photo by Max Fischer from Pexels

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Message from the President

The New Normal

As we welcome a new school year, I had hoped we would be settling back in to a more consistent routine and the “new normal”. I had hoped that we would feel more comfortable in large crowds, with more face-to-face meetings and socializing, and a more relaxed feeling of traveling about safely each day.

Are we there? Were we there? Were we nearly there? Where do you think we are?

As I am writing this, I think we were *nearly* there. This past spring and at the beginning of summer, as people were getting vaccinated and feeling more at ease with social distancing and wearing a mask, the covid numbers subsided greatly and it felt as though we were nearly there. Then, as the delta strain broke out and the number of people getting vaccinated dropped greatly, the virus started spreading again and it is obvious we are not there. No new normal yet.

I think most people now realize that getting 70-80% of our population vaccinated is the best answer. I encourage you to consider getting vaccinated if you have not, and to encourage your friends and relatives to do the same.

Moving forward, my plans for ARTA this year are to grow our membership, create a greater awareness of ARTA among all retired and current active school personnel, and to continue our strong advocacy for the stability and security of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System.

I intend to work with the other ARTA officers and board members to reach out to the local units to assist and encourage membership growth, community activity in the local units, and outreach to their local school districts.

There is power in numbers. ARTA currently has around 12,000 members out of approximately 45,000 potential members. As an advocate for the teacher retirement system, ARTA’s membership numbers are important. The greater the number, the more effective the communication between ARTA and the membership regarding the retirement system and potential changes which might come up from time to time.

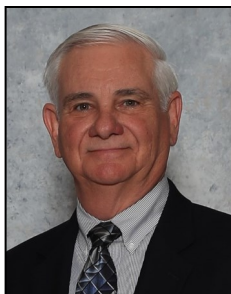
Our growth of membership and advocacy for the retirement program will have to start at the local level. We are asking to hear from the local units about recommendations on how the state organization can assist in membership growth and local outreach.

Be safe. Stay healthy.

Help us get back to a new normal.

David Cauldwell

ARTA President



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Message from the Executive Director

History in the Making

The ARTA Board of Directors met with members in person and by Zoom in July. It was so great to see some ARTA members face-to-face. I was so pleased that most of those attending in person were wearing face masks to protect the rest of us.

Then a more amazing part of the meeting was when Clint Rhoden, the director of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, shared that the return on investments as of June 30, 2021 was at 30% for the year. ***This was an historic return.*** With the four-year smoothing of returns, yields for those 4 years are 10%. The system at this time will not need to make changes to the benefit payments.

The next super amazing thing at the meeting was that Evelyn Cash, chair of the Parsons-Burnett Grants and Scholarship Committee, recommended that ARTA award 12 grants to practicing public school educators in the amount of \$2,000 each. ***That is giving back to public schools in large way.*** Last year we awarded nine grants, and the year before, eight. Funding grants to boots-on-the-ground public educators should make all ARTA members very proud.

Please consider becoming a Life Continuing member of ARTA, where \$2 per month of your benefit check will go to support the Parsons-Burnett Scholarship program.

The news from the Employee Benefit Division of the Arkansas Department of Transformation and Shared Services was also good news. The Arkansas Legislature passed Act 1004 of 2021 to abolish the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Board. It then gave the responsibility for oversight of employee benefits to the Arkansas Board of Finance. That board met weekly beginning in late May in order to make timely recommendations for fixing \$73 million projected deficit in the Public School Employee (PSE) health insurance plan for 2022. They learned about the funding problems with the plan, especially when compared with the Arkansas State Employee Plan (ASE). They pointed to many past pieces of legislation that attempted to make the two plans more equitable. Their work led to the Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC) approving \$35 million for the PSE Plan and to the Arkansas Department of Education finding additional end-of-the-fiscal year funds to cover the anticipated deficit. As a result, ***no active or retired public-school employees on the PSE Plan will have increased monthly premiums for the same coverage in 2022.*** The active PSE employees did have a reduction in the wellness discount from \$50 to \$25 per month.

In other news, I visited local units in Searcy County, Logan County, South Sebastian County, South Pulaski County and Johnson County in July and August. President David Cauldwell and I want to visit all the local units this year, if possible. We know that spending time with local units is the best way to share information and ideas to recruit new members.

We also recognize the community service and financial help that local units provide to local charities. These organizations in turn help children and families in during hard times. Local units, please send pictures of your many service projects to the ARTA office so we can share your good works with all ARTA members. We can all learn from the experience of others' community engagement.

Photos, articles, press clippings and other submissions can be emailed (preferred), texted or mailed.

2021 was a historic summer. Two billionaires took private spacecraft to space. The 2020 Summer Olympic Games were held in July 2021 in Tokyo, Japan with no spectators and strict covid protocols. There were new sports added that were head scratchers to many of us, like the short track city skateboard event, 3-on-3 basketball, and surfing on short surf boards, to name a few. The athletes trained and competed differently than ever before. Hopefully this will be the last Olympic Games with so many barriers to competing for the love of sport. The pillars of the Olympic Values Education Program are appropriate for all: "Joy of Effort, Fair Play, Respect for Others, pursuit of excellence; and balance between body, will and mind."

It would be very optimistic to believe we will be able to get off the Covid Coaster any time soon, what with the Delta variant and the looming Lambda strain. ***We may still have a bunch of Greek letters to go through.*** I take comfort in the words of Charles M. Schultz, famous for the Peanuts cartoons: "Don't worry about the world coming to an end today; it is already tomorrow in Australia."

Faster, higher, stronger—together *

Donna

* 2021 Olympic Motto

REMINDER: AR Benefits Retiree Coverage

You must be on the Public School Employees Plan on your last day of employment AND you must be eligible to begin drawing your retirement from ATRS to enroll in the AR Benefits PSE retiree plan.

Eligible retirees can enroll in retiree coverage **one** time. If you decline coverage, you will have to take multiple steps to apply later. If you drop coverage, you will **not** be able to rejoin later.



ARTA Awards Scholarships

The ARTA Board of Directors at their July meeting approved funding for 12 Parsons-Burnett scholarships. These competitive awards are given to practicing educators in Arkansas's public schools for the purpose of furthering their own education. The following recipients were selected from among 55 applicants.

Brittany Bailey
Lake Hamilton S.D.

Stephanie Barr
Harrison S.D.

Julie Beary
Batesville S.D.

Stephanie Cooper
Paragould S.D.

Sarah Henry
Rogers S.D.

Lonnie Hester
Hackett S.D.

Adrienne McElyea
Greene County Tech S.D.

Marti Salisbury
Alma S.D.

Stephanie Sampley
Ozark S.D.

Mollie Sanford
White Hall S.D.

Kristen Scarlett
Brookland S.D.

Delaney Wells
Dollarway S.D.

Awards will be presented to recipients by local ARTA members at school board and other district meetings. Photos will be featured in the next edition of the INTERLINK.

Applications were reviewed by the Scholarships and Grants Committee. Special thanks to the following for their thorough review and evaluation of the applications:

Evelyn Cash, Chair

Carol Powers

Linda Riley

Majoice Thomas

Elizabeth Tye

Parsons-Burnett Scholarship Grants are funded by memorials and donations from ARTA members. Anyone can contribute to the fund at any time.

ARTA Support for Education, *continued*

Promote the availability of the Parsons-Burnett Scholarship Grants. Remember that these funds are intended for practicing educators to further their own education. Contribute to the fund if you are able to do so.

Share the Benefits of a Stable and Secure Retirement

Active educators often do not have the same interest in the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System that retirees do. They may have a harder time looking toward the future, and they don't have the same opportunities to advocate for their retirement benefits.

ARTA members should be good communicators about the benefits of a stable and secure retirement. You can help active educators understand that their lower pay now will be rewarded with a better pension later. Then work to protect and enhance the promised benefits by advocating for adequate school funding and monitoring legislative activities that affect contributions and benefits.

Encouraging teachers to remain in the profession will guarantee a stronger retirement system for all, as well as increase the pool of potential ARTA members.

Promote the Education Profession

Help young people identify what they are looking for in a career and encourage them to consider teaching as a profession. Do they enjoy working with young children? Do they love learning and

want to share that passion with others? Do they feel strongly about opportunities that a strong education provides? Remember why you became an educator, and share that enthusiasm with others, even in retirement.

Consider starting a mock interview program similar to the one operated by the Faulkner County RTA. This program utilizes retired educators to conduct mock interviews with new education graduates. These interviews have been very popular among graduates as they prepare to enter the workforce.

The teacher shortage is not a new problem and it will not be going away any time soon. But even with COVID to consider, there are things that ARTA and its members can do to address some of the causes. We can encourage students to consider a career in education. We can support active teachers through scholarships and service. We can encourage school districts to pay salaries that attract quality candidates. We can encourage our elected officials to follow through on the promise of a secure pension. We can grow the number of people who participate in the Arkansas Retirement System, thus becoming eligible for ARTA membership.

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Welcome New Life Members

Ashley County

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Benton County

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Carleta Currie
Marsha Jordin
Kerry Lynn Taylor
Karen Wilson

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Member News

Area III

The **Phillips County RTA** and Phillips County AARP shared their appreciation for essential workers, first responders, and veterans via Zoom this year.

The virtual event included demonstrations of basic exercises and smoothie recipes, an overview of vital health screenings to pursue, information on the silver sneakers program, and chiropractic advice for those body parts that one day may cry out “We ain’t what we used to be.”

The “Lunch and Learn” format, which replaced the appreciation brunch of the previous year, was coupled with door prizes donated by members of the sponsoring organizations.

Area IV

The **Clark County RTA** planned a potluck at DeGray Lake Pavilion to kick off their 2021-22 year. New retirees and returning members were invited to meet and reconnect over grilled burgers, followed by an update from a representative of an ARTA-sponsored insurance agency.

This event was what they hope will be the first of a full slate of speakers and activities for the year.



Area VI

The **Garland County RTA** awarded scholarships to two outstanding education majors. Kristen Willet and Madeline West, both seniors at Henderson State University, were selected for their accomplishments in the areas of academics, leadership and community service. These are the first such scholarship awarded by the unit.

Pictured below, left to right: Golden Lloyd, President; Willet; West; Caroline Miller, Treasurer and Gay O’Neal, Secretary.



Area VIII

The **South Pulaski RTA** recently held their first meeting since 2019. The group has historically met at the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System building, which recently reopened to limited visitors. Donna Morey, ARTA Executive Director, was the guest speaker.

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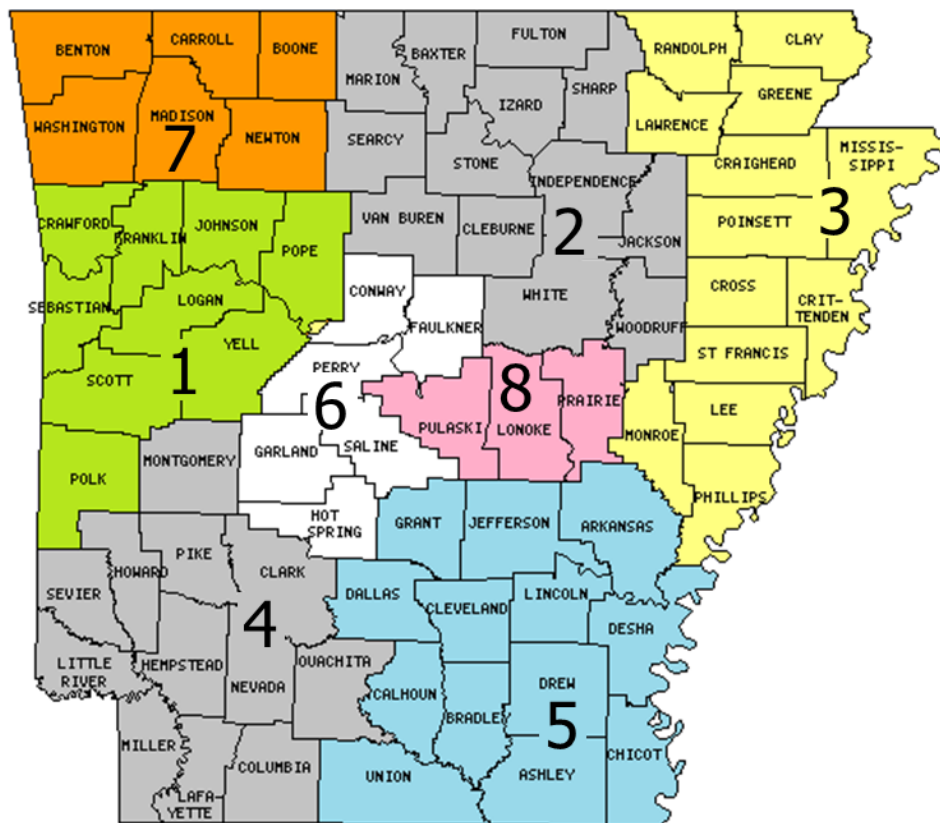
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ARTA members are invited to participate in safe, affordable group travel. Guests are welcome but must travel with an ARTA member. Whenever possible, ARTA trips are escorted by a member of the ARTA staff.

BOOK EARLY—ARTA partners with Collette Travel to offer these customized travel opportunities. Plans include a reserved block of airline seats for each trip. A deposit is required to reserve your seat and to ensure you receive any advertised price reduction. Reservations made after the seating block is filled, or after the booking date has passed, are based on availability and are subject to a price increase. Prices include round trip airfare from Little Rock National Airport. For information about departures from alternate gateways please contact ARTA..

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3. ☐ One-time payment enclosed (Check for \$240—LIFE MEMBER, LM)
4. ☐ I am a Life Member AND elect to have \$2 per month deducted from my benefit check for the Parsons-Burnett Grant.
(LIFE CONTINUING MEMBER, LC)
5. ☐ Renewal payment of \$36 enclosed (ANNUAL MEMBER, July 1—June 30)

Name _____ Signature _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

City/State/Zip _____

County _____ Social Security Number (last four digits only) _____

Email _____ Date _____

Send completed form and applicable payment to: **ARTA Membership, 1200 Commerce Street Ste. 103, Little Rock, AR 72202**