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BRAINTREE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION MESSAGE

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A Message from the BEA President:

REMINDERS:

- The Annual BEA Meeting will be held on **June 12, 2018 at 3:30** in the BHS Auditorium
- The following positions are up for reelection in June. Please contact Taylor Sturtevant or Ann Antonelli if you are interested in running:
 - ⇒ President
 - ⇒ Vice President of Communications
 - ⇒ Secretary
- Congratulations to Kyle Fredericks, who has been re-elected as our **Negotiating Committee Chairperson**
- The MTA Annual meeting will be held on Friday May 4th and Saturday May 5th at the Hynes Convention Center in Boston. Please let Taylor know if you'd like to attend.

-Taylor Sturtevant
 BEA President



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Run for Charlotte
Move your toes for Charlotte Rose
and help find a cure for Neuroblastoma.

The BEA is hosting a water station at this year's Run for Charlotte Road Race. Please feel free to stop by to help or give us a wave and grab some water if you're participating!

When: Sunday April 22nd

Where: Along the 5K route



The Safe Schools Summit is an activism and advocacy conference in which MTA members can discuss professional, regulatory and legislative issues and plans of action to create the safe schools and campuses our communities deserve.

The summit will be FREE and is made possible with a grant from the National Education Association.

More details, including workshops, registration, and an option to earn PDPs, will be coming soon.

Have you noticed a change in your state tax deduction?

Don't be alarmed! It happens every year! Once your Medicare and Retirement deductions have reached \$2000.00, the tax rate changes. You will notice a federal tax rate change at some point too. It takes 3-4 pay periods for it to level out.



REMINDER:

The Town of Braintree 2018 [Benefits Fair](#) will take place on Tuesday, April 10 from 11AM to 4PM in the Cahill Auditorium in Town Hall.

The Open Enrollment period runs from April 10, 2018 to May 8, 2018 for coverage beginning July 1, 2018. All changes, additions, and deletions to your health and dental coverage must be completed and returned by then.





Registration is now open for three **free** two-day courses through which participants will earn 15 PDPs, meeting state requirements for either **English Language Learners or Special Education**:

April 17 and 18, Springfield Education Association: **Engagement Strategies to Reach and Teach All Students** (Special Education)

April 19 and 20, Greater Lowell Technical High School: **Supporting Students with Special Needs in Your Classroom** (Special Education)

April 19 and 20, MTA Quincy Headquarters: **Supporting ELLs in Your Classroom** (ELL)

Free registration for these free programs is available at: <http://www.cvent.com/d/9gqjgc>

More ELL and Special Education programs will be offered this summer.

Additionally, there are still spaces available for the **Engaged Classrooms Four Day Institute** at MTA Quincy Headquarters, April 17-20. This program for educators in grades 7 through 12 offers the opportunity develop and improve upon structures, protocols and practices used in the classroom. Participants will earn 28 PDPs for **free** or can earn **2 graduate credits** from Fitchburg State University at a cost of \$245.

Registration for this program is available at: <http://massteacher.org/engagedclassrooms>



A message from MTA President Barbara Madeloni: Funding Cuts and Austerity Budgets

From Plymouth to UMass Boston and across the state, the underfunding of our public schools and colleges continues at an alarming pace.

We need to campaign for and win the Fair Share Amendment to fully fund our public schools and colleges. And, as Dr. King would remind us, we need to fight for economic justice for all. Join the effort to win the Fair Share Amendment, paid family and medical leave and a \$15 minimum wage for all workers by going [here](#) to the Raise Up Massachusetts website.

You can also join the Tax Day Rally to support the People's Budget. The rally will be



BEA Raffle

Thank you to everyone who submitted a response for our month of March Raffle. We got some great suggestions. Please see below for our winners:

Braintree High School: **Alyson Gorman**

Hollis Elementary: **Traci Sullivan**

East Middle School: **Heather Auer**

Ross Elementary: **Kathy Stachowski**

Monatiquot Kindergarten: **Krista Jank**

Morrison Elementary: **Lyn Myron**

Highlands Elementary: **Karen Hubbard**

Liberty Elementary: **Allison Cohoon**

Coming Soon!



The BEA is going to be hosting two after school seminars for our members. One will be all about how to budget your finances and the other will be information on how to save money on your insurance.

More information about where and when will be coming soon!



Click here for some up to date benefits offered by the MTA:

<https://tinyurl.com/MTAbenefits>



Congratulations to our teacher of the year, Highland's very own **Patricia Cook** and Layperson of the year, Morrison's **Debbie McLaughlin!**

2018 NCTA Awards Banquet: June 5, 2018