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"It Pays To Be Taught By a Vo-Tech Teacher"

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You Are Appreciated!

by Paul Angelucci, President

First let me say Teacher Appreciation should be ten months long! Please accept our small token of gratitude. We know there are many situations throughout the day when you have to "keep cool" and we hope this cooling towel will help with just a few of those.

As this year winds down there seems to be more questions than answers. At April's board meeting, the Executive Director was approved to appoint an interim Superintendent. I'm not sure why when she wanted to originally post



for a permanent one. As of July 1st, 2023, the MOU between SDE and CTECS to have SDE payroll support our district will expire. We've been told there are still many open positions at Central Office to cover these tasks. I want you to know that your union officers work very hard to uphold our contract and lookout for your best interests. There are many days where it seems our 109-page contract is the least read document at Central Office and the work here is endless. We want you to know that you're very much

appreciated and the work you do will bear fruit for decades to come! My hope is, as we start to have more sunny days, you unplug, unwind, and do whatever makes you smile and recharges your batteries. We have a pay step and a General Wage Increase on 9-1-23 and at SEBAC we'll start negotiating for the '24-'25 salary schedule, have a great month!

Paul Angelucci SVFT, President

Emmett O'Brien's Derek Nadeau was named **CTECS** Teacher of the Year on May 3, 2023.





CALENDAR

- 5/11 3pm Deadline to Submit SVFT Scholarships and Mini-Grants to SVFT Office
- 5/11 Emmett O'Brien Health & Safety
- 5/11 Athletic Director Zoom Meeting
- 5/12 Deadline to Notify Makenzi to be a Delegate or Committee Member
- 5/14 Mother's Day
- 5/17 Teacher of the Year Recognition Dinner
- 5/17 Rally for Moral Budget
- 5/19 SVFT Retiree Chapter General Membership at Wilcox
- 5/29 Memorial Day
- 6/1 Scholarship Meeting
- 6/6 Scholarship Results Mailed 6/6 MTC Meeting
- 6/7 Executive Council Vote on Committee Members & Delegates
- 6/8 Wilcox Health & Safety
- 6/9 Labor Management
- 6/19 Juneteenth

2023 Teachers of the Year

Congratulations to all of the school winners for teacher of the year. We are looking forward to recognizing and celebrating with you and family and friends on May 17th. The winners are all shining examples of how important teachers are to our future. It truly pays to be taught by a Vo-Tech teacher.

Abbott Chris Wethered	Bristol Patricia Queen	Bullard Havens Brian Moore	Cheney Denis Hamann	Eli Whitney Ann Sumowski	Ellis Lisa Anniello
Emmett O'Brien Derek Nadeau	Goodwin Ronald Murray	Grasso Jose Rios	Kaynor Michelle Lomma	Norwich Rachel Dubreuil	Oliver Wolcott Susan Zbell
Platt Latrice James Michael Sodins	Prince Wendall Soucy	Vinal Tim Larson	Wilcox Melissa Ellis	Windham Gary Moquin	Wright Joseph Sirico

Congratulations on Completing Your 20 th Year!	Congratulations on Completing Your 25th Year!	Congratulations on Completing Your 30th Year!	Recognizing	
Jennifer Blair	William Balch	Roger Degray	Years of	
Amy Cimino	Mark Belade	Timothy Krodel	Service	
Tonya Clark	Jennifer Clement	David Parillo	Service	
Kristy Coporale	Harroll Curry	Lee Pelletier		
Michelle Dellavecchia	Robert D'agostino	Robert Riccitelli	At a time when it is	
Frederick Depietro	Elizabeth Feldman Joseph Granja	Audrey Smith Paul Tema	harder and harder to be in the teaching	
Robert Ducey				
Susan Farnsworth	Robert Herdlein		profession, we are	
Pietro Fiasconaro	Edward Hogan		especially grateful for	
Giuseppe Fortuna	Michael Hood		our teachers who have	
Cynthia Giancaspro	Frank Lakomski		shown dedication to	
Emily Hayes	David Ogden		our union, our district,	
Tina Hill	Susan Sirowich		and our students for	
Latrice James	Leslie Stevens			
Sharon Johnson	Michael Terribile		many years.	
Mary Kinley				
Domenico Lemma			_	
Rita Macri				
Peter McDevitt				
James Mills		Individual commitr	a a n t	
Steven Orie				
Iva Rousseva-Stoev		to a group effort	that	
Susan Schryver		is what makes a te	eam	
Amber Stefania-Parisi		work, a company w		
Nicole Tardif				
Laura Tarkowski		a society work,		
Immacolata Testa		civilization worl	(
Francisca Valdez				
Steven Wodarski		- Vince Lombardi		

EQUITY CAN'T WAITRALLY FOR A MORAL BUDGET

WEDNESDAY MAY 17, 2023

REGISTER ASAP bit.ly/may17-rally





RECOVERY FOR ALL

CT STATE CAPITOL HARTFORD CT

Reminder of Unlisted Stipend Positions

Last year we signed a stipulated agreement to cover stipends that are not listed in Appendix B or D. They include: Full Curriculum Creation or revisions (\$2,000); Partial Curriculum updates (\$1,000); DSA creations (\$200 per exam); Proficiency Scales (\$300 per course); Remediation Plans (\$1,000 per Course); ECE, AP or CCP Training (\$400). Any other training or creation of documents or materials must be paid at the teachers per diem rate.

Please contact Bob Riccitelli, if you have any questions.



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Any information you need is on our website! Do you have suggestions for additions to our website?

Email our Secretary, Jamie Lamitie ilamitie@svft.org





SVFT Mission Statement

The SVFT is an organization of professional educators that promotes excellence through the mutual adherence to policies, documents, and procedures negotiated with the CTEC. We work to guarantee that the contract is followed and positive working conditions are maintained. This organization shall be to provide a safe and positive teaching environment for all by:

- 1. Maintaining the integrity of the contract, the Vocational Technical High School System, and the solidarity of the union.
- 2. Ensuring all members are protected by the contract and equipped with the tools and knowledge necessary to make them successful.
- 3. Protecting the jobs of our members and strengthening our system.
- 4. Providing members opportunities to further their education and receive quality professional development.
- 5. Responding quickly to the emerging changes to the workplace and technological challenges
- 6. Handling all interactions with fairness and integrity.
- 7. Striving for productive, open communication between the SVFT leadership and our membership
- 8. Building and improving relationships with our union affiliates and local labor councils.