

### Board of Education Election is Next Tuesday! Come & Call Phone banking continues at the MTA Office through Election Day

Special thanks to all the volunteers who made calls from the MTA Office this past week: Schurr High School, Montebello Park Elementary, Fremont Elementary, Eastmont Intermediate, Special Education, Suva Intermediate and Bell Gardens High School. Volunteers for this coming week include:

#### Monday - Bella Vista Elementary

Tuesday - Montebello Intermediate & Vail High School

Wednesday - Applied Technology Center & Montebello Gardens And the Election Eve:

Monday - Cesar Chavez Elementary



#### Focus on the Common Core

Building Reps spent the weekend of October 19-20 training at the MTA Fall Leadership Conference. Sessions were offered on Common Core Standards. Pictured below: Laura Quintana (BGH), Carlos Duran (BGE), Larissa Castillo (BGE). The trainers included Gabriela Orozco Gonzalez (MGE) & Norma Sanchez (CTA).





# Electronic Elections Begin in 2014

a.m. at the MTA

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office. Treats.

Please submit your "non-district" email to the MTA office as soon as possible. All paper balloting will be at the MTA Office.

- Email your information to Montebello\_teachers@earthlink.net
- Call the MTA office any time and leave a message
- Ask your Building Rep to relay the information.

Please add MTA to your contact list so your ballot doesn't go into "spam".

### Teacher Representative Must Be on Student Discipline Committee

While every teacher has a general duty to maintain custody and control over their students, school districts have the legal responsibility to establish and enforce the discipline policy which circumscribes teachers' supervisory efforts. This means that the Board members and administrators are responsible for general school administration, including enforcement of the school district's discipline policy. (5 Cal. Code Reg. § 35294.)

Additionally, each school must adopt rules and procedures on student discipline. After soliciting the views of parents, teachers, and other interested parties, the rules shall be adopted by a panel consisting of the school principal and a teacher representative. It is the duty of each employee to enforce these rules and procedures. (Ed. Code § § 35291, 35291.5)

# **Consider these Grant Opportunities**

# Grand Prize \$10,000

## Life Changer of the Year by National Life Group

Do you know an outstanding district employee? National Life Group's Life Changer of the Year program rewards school district employees across the country who exemplify excellence, positive influence, and leadership.

Go to **www.LifeChangeroftheYear.com** to access the online nomination application and read the contest rules. Nominations close January 31, 2014.

# \$100,000 available for High School Athletics

## Through California Casualty's Thomas R. Brown Athletic Grant Program

California Casualty, the CTA-endorsed auto and home insurance vendor, is seeking grant requests for their Thomas R. Brown Athletics Grant program with a \$100,000 pool of funding. Grant applications received through January 15, 2014 will be considered for the grants.

Guidelines and application forms can be found at **www.calcasatheticsgrant.com**.