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Celebrate Day of the Teacher May 9

California owes much of its success to its public schools, colleges and universities that produce the scientists, technicians, engineers, and educated workforce. Teachers are deeply committed to the success of every student. Educators have many extraordinary skills they pull from to reach and teach students. Your neighborhood educators are advocates, inventors and problem solvers. Teachers are listeners, explorers, role models, motivators and mentors. They are idealists and dreamers, debaters and negotiators, adventurers and mediators. Although one teacher can be influential, life changing, even, for a student, it takes the entire school community -- Education Support Professionals, K-12 teachers, college faculty and parents -- to provide the public education all of our students deserve.

California's Day of the Teacher has its roots in the community and is patterned after the celebration of the traditional "El Dia del Maestro," which is observed in Mexico and Latin American countries. Our California Day of the Teacher arose out of legislation co-sponsored by CTA and the Association of Mexican American Educators in 1982. Since then, this event honors the instructional excellence in our public schools, community colleges and universities.

A Gift for You!

Camino Federal Credit Union joins with the Association to honor members on the Day of The Teacher with a gift. We will send a reusable metal straw to each member at the school site to celebrate this special day.



Retirees Prepare for the Year's End

Bella Vista Elementary School teachers Guadalupe Gomez and Kathy Abe attend the Medicare 101 Workshop Tuesday, April 23.

Retirement Incentive Extended to May 15

The deadline for the \$25,000 retirement incentive is extended to Wednesday, May 15. More information regarding the incentive is available on MontebelloTeachers.org.

Retirement Dinner is May 17

The Retirement Dinner is Friday, May 17. More information is available at MontebelloTeachers.org and the MTA Office.

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Join Us for

LIMITED SPACE
AVAILABLE.

Chocolate Tasting

Thursday, May 16 at 3:45 p.m.



*Amy Andersen (BCJH) leads
Chocolate Tasting!*



You are invited to the wonderful world of chocolate tasting.

There's a whole lot more to describing chocolate than simply labeling it as white or dark. Each variety has both delicate and decadent details to discover. At the tasting, participants will learn about rating chocolate on appearance, snap, texture, aroma, melt and flavor – the characteristics used by professional judges. Each participant will be allowed to try multiple samples of delicious chocolate and rate them. This is an event for the serious chocolate connoisseur. **We will be limiting the event to 25 participants. RSVPs will close once 25 members commit to attend.**

RSVP by Tuesday May 14 to MTA@MontebelloTeachers.org

MTA Members Connect encourages members to share their passions with other members. Contact the MTA Office if you have an idea for an offering.