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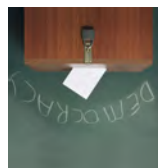


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# From Cinda

**H**as No Child Left Behind had an impact on your job? How about state mandates? Is there a recent decision made by your school board or higher education trustee board that affects you or your colleagues?



From Congress to the Illinois Legislature to local school boards, proposals are being debated and voted on that affect each and every one of us — not to mention the students we serve.

In my view, being involved in political action has a direct tie to our everyday lives, and to stay out of politics means we shut down our own voice. And yet, **OUR** voice needs to be the most logical and the most compelling because **we** are the ones who know what is needed to truly help our students.

The pension attack has awakened many members to this crucial part of our jobs — speaking **up** for our cause, speaking **out** against attacks, and speaking **to** the policy makers. In the visits I have made across the state, several hundred members have come to hear information about pensions. Just as I have seen the light bulb go on in a student's eyes, I have seen the light bulb flash in our members' recognition. Talking about our needs to the people who are already in office means exercising our democratic right.

That is essential, but how much more could we accomplish in the fight for public

education if we exercised our democratic right by getting engaged in political action **BEFORE** we had a fight on our hands? Don't we all know competent, logical, fair-minded individuals who would make great school board members, legislators, county and local officials?

That is what is now required — helping to find candidates, even our own members, then attending recommendation hearings to help your area choose, recommend, support and elect the right candidates. After they are elected, we must continue to talk with them and help them understand our world of education.

Shying away from these duties means we retreat from protecting our profession, our schools and our students.

This issue of the Advocate also lists the election dates for your region — electing the members you want to represent you at the IEA Representative Assembly (RA). These are the people who will decide what legislative positions IEA should take, the strategic direction IEA should follow, what our dues should be, etc. So, please start your political action at home — with one of your members who will be **your** representative to the RA. Better yet, how about running as one of those reps?

And then get active as we move into the 2012 election cycle where there will be races in school boards, all the legislative districts and in all congressional districts. Let's be proactive and not reactive and get the right people elected!

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# Decatur teachers, students reaping rewards from program that pairs them outside of the classroom

**R**oxie Dotson, a 10-year teaching veteran, thought she knew what the kids she was teaching daily at Durfee Magnet School in Decatur were going home to at night.

Durfee has a 96 percent poverty rate. She'd attended trainings, taken kids home, helped them one on one, and worked with them and their parents.

But until she got involved in the Big Brother Big Sister program at her school, a program that matched her with a Durfee student, she didn't REALLY know.

"When you go into a home and see there are no walls, no beds, no sheets and there isn't food," she said through tears. "It's really amazing."

The Decatur Education Association and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Illinois joined forces at Durfee Magnet School, a school that officially focuses on technology and unofficially focuses on building a family atmosphere, to pair with students in an effort to further strengthen the school's family community.

The program, funded by a grant from the National Education Association, has paired 13 of 17 teachers at the school with students hand-picked by the faculty to receive a loving and guiding hand.

So, when DEA and BBBS approached Principal Kirk Veitengruber about the program, he thought it would be a perfect fit.

"A lot of the teachers did these things on their own. This (program) formalizes it and provides more resources to the teachers and more support for the students who desperately need more positive adult role models in their lives," he said.

"These teachers care about these kids. It's why they're here, why they're teaching at this school and why they became teachers .... I see them do wonderful things when they have a class of 23 or 24, but when you can spend that time one on one, it does amazing things."



*Mrs. Holding and Charisma*



*Mrs. Herron and Malachi*

Zach Shields of Big Brother Big Sister of Central Illinois in Decatur said the pairing of teachers and students goes hand in hand with the organization's philosophy.

"Studies that we have done over the years show that social and emotional support actually contributes to better long-term academic success, so we knew this was a concept we could sink our teeth into."

Dotson, a Durfee kindergarten teacher and program organizer, said the Decatur Education Association was instrumental in getting the grant money and finding a way to put it to good use. As a result, Dotson said, the program has been rewarding for both the students and the teachers.

"I see students who are normally anxious about school are now excited," she said. "The walls between teachers are broken down. The students feel calm, loved, encouraged — those strong character traits we want them to have — responsibility and accountability — there's someone nurturing those things they already have inside them."

The pairs were matched up late last school year so the teachers and the students could spend the summer getting to know each other, doing activities to-

gether and offering help to keep the students' academics up to par through those three months.

Becky Holding, who has taught grade schoolers for 35 years, said it is the most rewarding thing she's done in all her years of teaching. She gets giddy when she talks about her Little Sister.

"She runs to me on the playground and she's so excited. Just seeing the glow on her face; it's worth a million dollars."

The same holds true for teacher Heather Herron who was paired with Malachi, a student who was frequently in trouble. Now Herron drops by his class and is on hand to calm him before his anger rages out of control.

"I have loved watching him grow and mature. He's not just a student. He's my friend. If I'm bored, I call him. We just have fun together."

Malachi said Herron "keeps me out of trouble. I always used to get in trouble. She calms me down." He said having the relationship with Herron has made school "feel like home."



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# Think you can do a better job than many politicians? So do we!



## ***There are few things more frustrating than putting your fate in someone else's hands.***

Educators and education support personnel all over the Illinois recently watched the state legislature during veto session and waited to see if lawmakers would change the pension system, change the budget or act on other pertinent matters.

You may have taken the important steps of sending a letter to a lawmaker or meeting with one face-to-face.

Or, perhaps there's been an important issue your local school board has faced, something you wanted to weigh in on but didn't feel you could without repercussions.

Sometimes, you may feel you want to do even more.

If you share that frustration, you might want to consider running for an office yourself.

The NEA and IEA are working together to promote a program called Training Educators for Office, or REO.

**Why elect IEA members?** It is critical to elect pro-worker, pro-public education candidates at every level of government.

**What is the REO?** The REO program recruits, trains and supports member candidates in a systematic and strategic way, while addressing the specific obstacles that are faced by labor candidates.

IEA has partnered with one of the most effective candidate training programs in the country — Wellstone Action — to provide candidate recruitment, candidate and campaign trainings for recommended candidates and committed locals.

**Who can attend?** Trainings are open to IEA active and retired members who are currently running for office or who may be considering a run for school board, and members and staff who intend to work on these IEA targeted races.

### **What can result?**

- Empowerment and leadership development of IEA members as:
  - Candidates
  - Campaign workers
  - Campaign volunteers

• A pro-worker, pro-public education majority of elected officials who understand and promote our issues

- Strengthen local associations' volunteer competency and capacity

potential member-candidates and training those members who are thinking of running for school board in 2013.

**Our partner** — Wellstone Action ([www.wellstone.org](http://www.wellstone.org)) is a national training center for people interested in progressive change. They help people win on issues and elect candidates by training them in the nuts and bolts of grassroots organizing, voter engagement, political advocacy and leadership development. Wellstone Action has partnered with NEA affiliates who are committed to organizing, developing new leaders, and more effectively mobilizing their grassroots power to move a progressive pro-education agenda.

**Next step** — Think about the makeup of your current school board. Are there opportunities to make some changes, are you willing to make the effort to recruit candidate(s), will you commit to attend trainings, and can you develop a team to help with the campaign? Or, are you interested in the program and not sure how to start?

To help you answer these questions, you will find helpful tips in the School Board Election and Campaign Handbook, found on the IEA website.

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In many ways it really does not seem like it has been 50 years since I started my career as a teacher and became a member of the Illinois Education Association and the National Education Association.

To say that things were very different when I was entering the profession would be an understatement.

A few weeks before I graduated from Eastern Illinois University with my bachelor's degree in education, I received word that the president of the university wanted to see me.

My knees shaking, I walked into that huge room. His secretary told me he was waiting for me. We made a bit of small talk and then he told me that he needed me to sign a paper stating that I was not, and never had been, a member of the Communist party.

I was actually relieved to sign it and walk out. I never questioned why he asked me to do it. I am sure today's student would react differently.

I started teaching in January of 1962 at ABL High School in Broadlands, a small rural district in southern Champaign County. The superintendent handed me lots of forms to fill out. Two of those granted me membership into IEA and NEA.

He said we are all members of these organizations. At that time dues were based on the salary you made, not a flat amount.

But that wasn't the only difference. Women always wore skirts and blouses, or dresses. When pantsuits became



## Has it really been that long?

By Barb Gilhaus

fashionable for women, there was much discussion among the female faculty about whether we would be allowed to wear them.

If I remember correctly, it was a least a year or more before we got "permission" to wear pantsuits.

And, at the time, it was a scandal when people learned a female teacher was unmarried but living with a man in Champaign. The superintendent strongly suggested she would have to marry or resign.

When I first began teaching, my contract stated that I was hired as a teacher of home economics and "other duties as assigned." Those four little words sure meant a lot to the administration and board of education.

I was assigned to work as a ticket taker at ballgames, sponsor of a class and the Future Homemaker of America organization, hall duty, lunch duty, bus duty, a fill-in for absent teachers when no sub was available, cheerleading sponsor, laundress (washer and dryer were in the home economics room), plus others, all at no extra pay.

Society and the school climate were both much different back then. I had little to do with my union. But in the early 1970s, one

of our members came back from a meeting and said they needed people to go to Atlantic City to an NEA meeting.

I thought it sounded like a great opportunity. And so my "career" with IEA and NEA began. It was a landmark NEA RA known as Con-Con. We spent many hours on the RA floor debating the constitution and bylaws that, in the end, put classroom educators in charge of the organization.

I am not sure what time the RA ended that year, but I believe it was after 1 a.m. on the final day. This was quite an experience for a first time delegate.

I came home from my first NEA RA ready to get involved and make a difference and I attended a meeting in Gibson City. At our first organizational meeting in Champaign, I was elected secretary for my region, which eventually became Region 9.

I continued my involvement until I became a region chair in the 1980s and have been on the region council since its inception, rarely missing a meeting.

One of the things that I can say has changed most is bargaining. For years, we would approach our school board with a demand to bargain. Every year, their answer was, "No!"

Until the fall of 1983, when I had the privilege as a member of the IEA Board of Directors to attend the bill signing ceremony where Gov. Jim Thompson signed the Collective Bargaining Act, giving public education employees, teachers and ESPs alike, a chance to have a say in their professions.

I was given a pen used in the bill signing as a souvenir of the event. It's now housed in the region office in Champaign.

*Other IEA highlights included:*

- Organizing a local in Homer.
- Being a member during the terms of 18 IEA presidents and eight executive directors.
- Attending more than 35 IEA and NEA RAs.
- Helping to start the IEA-Retired and serving on its council and as secretary/treasurer.
- Chartering the third IEA-R chapter and organizing the first out-of-state chapter in Florida.

I have been through some good times and some bad times with IEA and NEA but like most people the good times are the ones I remember and will cherish.



# ELECTIONS NOTICE

## Delegates to the 2012 IEA-NEA Representative Assembly

Each IEA-NEA region will be allotted delegates on a formula of one delegate per 100 members. In addition to regional delegates, each region will be allotted an additional delegate position, which has been designated a regional ethnic-minority representative, who is pledged to represent ethnic-minority members within the region and will be elected region wide.

Elections for regional delegates and the regional ethnic-minority delegates will take place between Nov. 23 and Dec. 15, 2011. Check the following listing to find out the specifics of your region's election. ***(In the event of an emergency school closing, the election will be conducted on the next day that school is in session.)***

### REGION 1

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 504, Benton  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Carterville IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 504, Benton  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Carterville IEA Office

### REGION 2

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 203, Carterville  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4:45 pm  
**Place:** Carterville IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 203, Carterville  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:45 pm  
**Place:** Carterville IEA Office

### REGION 3

**Mail Ballots:** 11-09-11  
**Return by:** 12-07-11  
**To:** PO Box 6004, Effingham  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 6 pm  
**Place:** Effingham IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-18-12

### REGION 3 continued

**To:** PO Box 6004, Effingham  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 6 pm  
**Place:** Effingham IEA Office

### REGION 4

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 301, Mascoutah  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Schiappas, O'Fallon  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 301, Mascoutah  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Schiappas, O'Fallon

### REGION 5

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** The UPS Store, PMB 243  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Edwardsville IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** The UPS Store, PMB 243  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Edwardsville IEA Office

### REGION 6

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 973, Edwardsville  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Edwardsville IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 973, Edwardsville  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Edwardsville IEA Office

### REGION 7

**Mail Ballots:** 11-29-11  
**Return by:** 12-14-11  
**To:** PO Box 6004, Effingham  
**Election:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-14-11  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Effingham IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-18-12  
**To:** PO Box 6004, Effingham  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Effingham IEA Office

### REGION 8

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 7586, Champaign  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5:30 pm  
**Place:** Champaign IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 7586, Champaign  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5:30 pm  
**Place:** Champaign IEA Office

### REGION 9

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Champaign IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Champaign IEA Office

### REGION 10

**Mail Ballots:** 11-28-11  
**Return by:** 12-09-11  
**To:** PO Box 2241, Decatur  
**Election:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-14-11  
**Time:** 6 pm  
**Place:** Decatur IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-16-12  
**To:** PO Box 2241, Decatur  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 6 pm  
**Place:** Decatur IEA Office

### REGION 11

**Election:** 12-13-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-14-11  
**Time:** 4:20 pm  
**Place:** Liberty Drive IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Election:** 01-10-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** 4:20 pm  
**Place:** Liberty Drive IEA Office

### REGION 12

**Mail Ballots:** 11-15-11  
**Return by:** 12-07-11  
**To:** PO Box 223, Rushville  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5:01 pm  
**Place:** Rushville IEA Office

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-18-12  
**To:** PO Box 223, Rushville  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5:01 pm  
**Place:** Rushville IEA Office

### REGION 13

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 1151, Pekin  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5:30 pm  
**Place:** Peoria IEA Office

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 1151, Pekin  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5:30 pm  
**Place:** Peoria IEA Office

### REGION 14

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 62, Normal,  
 ISU NTT FA (only)  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Bloomington IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 62, Normal,  
 ISU NTT FA (only)  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Bloomington IEA Office

### REGION 15

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 843, Streator  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 7 pm  
**Place:** Hanks Restaurant, Rt. 71  
 Ottawa

**Run-Off (If Necessary)**  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 843, Streator  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Morris IEA Office

### REGION 16

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 10683, Peoria  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5:30 pm  
**Place:** Peoria IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 10683, Peoria  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5:30 pm  
**Place:** Peoria IEA Office

### REGION 17

**Mail Ballots:** 11-14-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 128, Galesburg  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 6 pm  
**Place:** Hammer's General  
 Feed Store,  
 394-L Plaza, Galesburg  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**

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**To:** PO Box 128, Galesburg  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 6 pm  
**Place:** Hammer's General Feed Store, 394-L Plaza, Galesburg

REGION 18

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Moline IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Moline IEA Office

REGION 19

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 1075, Sterling  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 5:15 pm  
**Place:** Sterling IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 1075, Sterling  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 5:15 pm  
**Place:** Sterling IEA Office

REGION 20

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 1075, Sterling  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4 pm  
**Place:** Sterling IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 1075, Sterling  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4 pm  
**Place:** Sterling IEA Office

REGION 21

**Mail Ballots:** 11-17-11  
**Return by:** 12-08-11 Noon  
**To:** PO Box 1804, Rockford  
**Election:** 12-02-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-08-11  
 Time: 2:30 pm  
**Place:** Rockford IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 12-14-11  
**Return by:** 01-10-12 Noon

REGION 21 continued

**To:** PO Box 1804, Rockford  
**Election:** 01-03-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-10-12  
 Time: 2:30 pm  
**Place:** Rockford IEA Office

REGION 22

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 625, Rochelle  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Rockford IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 625, Rochelle  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Rockford IEA Office

REGION 23

**Mail Ballots:** 11-18-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 147, Crystal Lake  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 3:30 pm  
**Place:** Crystal Lake South H.S.  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 12-21-11  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 147, Crystal Lake  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 3:30 pm  
**Place:** Crystal Lake South H.S.

REGION 24

**Election:** 12-06-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-06-11  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Elgin IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 12-13-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-13-11  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Elgin IEA Office

REGION 25

**Election:** 12-07-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 3 pm - 5 pm  
**Place:** Westfield/ECC  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 12-14-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-14-11  
 Time: 3 pm - 5 pm  
**Place:** Westfield/ECC

REGION 26

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office

REGION 27

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office

REGION 28

**Election:** 12-06-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-08-11  
 Time: 4 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-10-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-12-12  
 Time: 4 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office

REGION 29

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office

REGION 30

**Mail Ballots:** 11-20-11  
**Return by:** 12-05-11  
**To:** PO Box 206, Tinley Park  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Ideal School, Countryside, IL  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-16-12  
**To:** PO Box 206, Tinley Park  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Ideal School, Countryside, IL

REGION 31

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-05-11  
 Time: 4:30 - 6:30 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4:30 - 6:30 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office

REGION 32

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4 pm  
**Place:** West Suburban IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4 pm  
**Place:** West Suburban IEA Office

REGION 33

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office

REGION 34

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4:15 pm  
**Place:** Palatine IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4:15 pm  
**Place:** Palatine IEA Office

REGION 35

**Election:** 12-12-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-12-11  
 Time: 3:30 pm  
**Place:** Schaumburg District Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-09-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-09-12  
 Time: 3:30 pm  
**Place:** Schaumburg District Office

REGION 36

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4:30 pm

REGION 36 continued

**Place:** Skokie IEA Office  
**Run-Off (If Necessary)**  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Skokie IEA Office

REGION 37

**Election:** 11-29-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-05-11  
 Time: 4 pm  
**Place:** Skokie IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-12-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-19-12  
 Time: 4 pm  
**Place:** Skokie IEA Office

REGION 38

**Election:** 12-06-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-13-11  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Libertyville IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** Libertyville IEA Office

REGION 39

**Election:** 11-29-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** Worksite  
**Final Tally:** 12-06-11  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** West Suburban IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 12-13-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** Worksite  
**Final Tally:** 12-20-11  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** West Suburban IEA Office

REGION 40

**Election:** 12-07-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-14-11  
 Time: 5pm  
**Place:** West Suburban IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 5 pm  
**Place:** West Suburban IEA Office

REGION 41

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Skokie IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-12-12  
 Time: School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Skokie IEA Office

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**REGION 42**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Palatine IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Palatine IEA Office

**REGION 43**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4:30 – 5:30 pm  
**Place:** Home Buildings  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:30 – 5:30 pm  
**Place:** Home Buildings

**REGION 44**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 504, Bradley  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 6 pm  
**Place:** 453 S. Cleveland, Bourbonnais

Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 504, Bradley  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 6 pm  
**Place:** 453 S. Cleveland, Bourbonnais

**REGION 45**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 91, Glen Carbon  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Edwardsville IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 91, Glen Carbon  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Edwardsville IEA Office

**REGION 46**

**Election:** 12-01-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-08-11  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

*REGION 46 continued*

**Election:** 01-12-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-19-12  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office

**REGION 47**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-07-11  
**To:** PO Box 7063, Springfield  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4:15 pm  
**Place:** Liberty Drive IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 7063, Springfield  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:15 pm  
**Place:** Liberty Drive IEA Office

**REGION 48**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 1525, Mt. Vernon  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Mt. Vernon IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 1525, Mt. Vernon  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Mt. Vernon IEA Office

**REGION 49**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-05-11  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Libertyville IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Libertyville IEA Office

**REGION 50**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** West Suburban IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**REGION 51**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 209, Morris  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Morris IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 209, Morris  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Morris IEA Office

**REGION 52**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** West Suburban IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** West Suburban IEA Office

**REGION 53**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-06-11  
**To:** PO Box 548, Burlington  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Elgin IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 548, Burlington  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Elgin IEA Office

**REGION 54**

**Mail Ballots:** 12-05-11  
**Return by:** 12-21-11  
**To:** PO Box 469, Cherry Valley  
**Election:** 12-14-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-21-11  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Rockford IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-18-12  
**To:** PO Box 469, Cherry Valley  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Rockford IEA Office

**REGION 55**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office

**REGION 56**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4 pm  
**Place:** Matteson IEA Office

**REGION 57**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-18-11  
**Return by:** 12-05-11  
**To:** 900 Ogden Avenue, PMB 194, Downers Grove, IL 60515  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-05-11  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Mail Ballots:** 12-30-11  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** 900 Ogden Avenue, PMB 194, Downers Grove, IL 60515  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-17-12  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office

**REGION 58**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-06-11  
**Time:** 4:15 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 4:15 pm  
**Place:** Lombard IEA Office

**REGION 59**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-20-11  
**Return by:** 12-05-11  
**To:** PO Box 1018, LaGrange Park  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Ideal School, Countryside

*REGION 59 continued*

Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-16-12  
**To:** PO Box 1018, LaGrange Park  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Ideal School, Countryside

**REGION 60**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
**Return by:** 12-05-11  
**To:** PO Box 55, Grayslake  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-06-11  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Libertyville IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
**Return by:** 01-17-12  
**To:** PO Box 55, Grayslake  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Libertyville IEA Office

**REGION 61**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-06-11  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Plainfield Law Enf. Ctr.  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-20-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-26-12  
**Time:** 4:30 pm  
**Place:** Plainfield South H.S.

**REGION 62**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
**Time:** 7 pm  
**Place:** Bloomington IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 7 pm  
**Place:** Bloomington IEA Office

**REGION 63**

**Election:** 12-01-11  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-05-11  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Elgin IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)

**Election:** 01-11-12  
**Time:** School Hours  
**Place:** School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
**Time:** 5 pm  
**Place:** Elgin IEA Office

**REGION 64**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
 Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
 Place: School Buildings  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
 Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4:30 pm  
 Place: School Buildings

**REGION 65**

**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
 Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4 pm  
 Place: Bednarcik Junior High  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
 Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4 pm  
 Place: Bednarcik Junior High

**REGION 66**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
 Return by: 12-06-11  
 To: PO Box 7336, Libertyville  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
 Time: School Hours  
 Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
 Time: 4 pm  
 Place: Libertyville IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
 Return by: 01-17-12  
 To: PO Box 7336, Libertyville  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
 Time: School Hours  
 Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
 Time: 4 pm  
 Place: Libertyville IEA Office

**REGION 67**

**Mail Ballots:** 11-28-11  
 Return by: 12-12-11  
 To: PO Box 246, Chicago  
**Election:** 12-06-11  
 Time: School Hours  
 Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-13-11  
 Time: 3 pm  
 Place: Chicago IEA Office  
 Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-04-12  
 Return by: 01-18-12  
 To: PO Box 246, Chicago  
**Election:** 01-12-12  
 Time: School Hours  
 Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-19-12  
 Time: 3 pm  
 Place: Chicago IEA Office

# Congratulations



**Josh Stumpenhorst**, a sixth grade language arts and social science teacher at Lincoln Junior High School in Naperville, has been named the Illinois State Board of Education Teacher of the Year.



The announcement was made Oct. 23 in Bloomington where Stumpenhorst was chosen from among nine finalists, who had been culled from a field of 200.

“Josh is a student-centered teacher who focuses on creating effective learning that will help every student be successful. His ability to reach students of all skill levels engages them and inspires his colleagues,” said Christopher Koch, Illinois superintendent of schools.

“Josh also shares his teaching strategies via an online professional learning network that he created. His educational blogs reach thousands of educators across the globe and demonstrate his leadership skills as well as his continuous efforts to be the best for his students.”

A nine-year teaching veteran, Stumpenhorst said his students energize him in a career he knew he wanted to pursue from the time he was a youngster.

He graduated from North Central College and holds a master’s degree in curriculum and instruction. He is National Board Certified in early adolescent social science. He also coaches basketball and track and works closely with the student council and computer club.

Other IEA members who were finalists for the Teacher of the Year award were:

- **Carol Bivins**, a Title 1 reading first grade teacher at P.H. Miller Elementary School in Plano Community Unit School District 88.
- **Sandra Curran**, who teaches social studies and language arts to 6th graders at Lincoln Middle School in Edwardsville Community Unit School District 7.
- **Melissa Byrne**, an 8th grade language arts teacher at Haines Middle School in Community Unit District 303 (St. Charles).

- **Jeffrey Lehman**, who teaches choral music at Freeport High School in Freeport School District 145.
- **Rebecca Wattleworth**, a math and science teacher at Warrensburg-Latham High School in Warrensburg-Latham Community Unit District 11.
- **Nancy Wojtanowski**, who teaches functional/living skills to students in K-5 at Parkside Elementary School in McLean County Unit District 5.

Also in the running were:

- **Julie Knutson** is a career and technical education teacher at O’Fallon Township High School District 203 in O’Fallon.
- **Carol Mertes** is a first grade teacher at Clifford Johnson School in Aurora East School District 131



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# SPECIAL REGIONAL ELECTIONS

The following regional elections will be conducted for Region Chair/NEA RA State Delegate, Region Vice Chair/Alternate NEA RA Delegate and/or Region Council Ethnic-Minority Representative to fill unexpired terms.

**In the event of an emergency school closing on the date of an election, the election will be conducted on the first day back to school.**

## REGION 2

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
Return by: 12-06-11  
To: PO Box 203, Carterville  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
Time: 4:45 pm  
Place: Carterville IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
Return by: 01-17-12  
To: PO Box 203, Carterville  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
Time: 4:45 pm  
Place: Carterville IEA Office

## REGION 4

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
Return by: 12-06-11  
To: PO Box 301, Mascoutah  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
Time: 5 pm  
Place: Schiappas, O'Fallon  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
Return by: 01-17-12  
To: PO Box 301, Mascoutah

## REGION 4 continued

**Election:** 01-11-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
Time: 5 pm  
Place: Schiappas, O'Fallon

## REGION 14

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
Return by: 12-06-11  
To: PO Box 62, Normal, ISU NTT FA (only)  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
Time: 4 pm  
Place: Bloomington IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
Return by: 01-17-12  
To: PO Box 62, Normal, ISU NTT FA (only)  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
Time: 4 pm  
Place: Bloomington IEA Office

## REGION 21

### Chair & Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Mail Ballots:** 11-17-11  
Return by: 12-08-11 Noon  
To: PO Box 1804, Rockford  
**Election:** 12-02-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-08-11  
Time: 2:30 pm  
Place: Rockford IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 12-14-11  
Return by: 01-10-12 Noon  
To: PO Box 1804, Rockford  
**Election:** 01-03-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-10-12  
Time: 2:30 pm  
Place: Rockford IEA Office

## REGION 24

### Vice-Chair (1 Year Term)

**Election:** 12-06-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-06-11  
Time: 5 pm  
Place: Elgin IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 12-13-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-13-11  
Time: 5 pm  
Place: Elgin IEA Office

## REGION 35

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Election:** 12-12-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-12-11  
Time: 3:30 pm  
Place: Schaumburg District Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 01-09-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-09-12  
Time: 3:30 pm  
Place: Schaumburg District Office

## REGION 38

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Election:** 12-06-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-13-11  
Time: 5 pm  
Place: Libertyville IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
Time: 5 pm  
Place: Libertyville IEA Office

## REGION 39

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Election:** 11-29-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: Worksite  
**Final Tally:** 12-06-11  
Time: 5 pm

## REGION 39 continued

Place: West Suburban IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 12-13-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: Worksite  
**Final Tally:** 12-20-11  
Time: 5 pm  
Place: West Suburban IEA Office

## REGION 42

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Election:** 11-30-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
Time: 5 pm  
Place: Palatine IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
Time: 5 pm  
Place: Palatine IEA Office

## REGION 47

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
Return by: 12-07-11  
To: PO Box 7063, Springfield  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
Time: 4:15 pm  
Place: Liberty Drive IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
Return by: 01-17-12  
To: PO Box 7063, Springfield  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
Time: 4:15 pm  
Place: Liberty Drive IEA Office

## REGION 48

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Mail Ballots:** 11-21-11  
Return by: 12-06-11  
To: PO Box 1525, Mt. Vernon  
**Election:** 11-30-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
Time: 4:30 pm  
Place: Mt. Vernon IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Mail Ballots:** 01-03-12  
Return by: 01-17-12  
To: PO Box 1525, Mt. Vernon  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
Time: 4:30 pm  
Place: Mt. Vernon IEA Office

## REGION 49

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Election:** 11-30-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-05-11  
Time: 4:30 pm  
Place: Libertyville IEA Office  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
Time: 4:30 pm  
Place: Libertyville IEA Office

## REGION 65

### Vice-Chair (Remainder of Term)

**Election:** 11-30-11  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 12-07-11  
Time: 4 pm  
Place: Bednarck Junior High  
Run-Off (If Necessary)  
**Election:** 01-11-12  
Time: School Hours  
Place: School Buildings  
**Final Tally:** 01-18-12  
Time: 4 pm  
Place: Bednarck Junior High

## ELECTION NOTICE FOR NEA DIRECTORS

The following offices will be filled by election at the 2012 IEA-NEA Representative Assembly (RA): Two NEA Directors from Illinois.

The RA will be held at the Chicago Hilton Towers, 720 S. Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL on March 15-17, 2012. The deadline for nominations for these positions is January 1, 2012. Any member in good standing may be a candidate for office and may be nominated by any member in good standing. The election for these offices will take place from 7-8:45 am on March 17, 2012.

Finally, more detailed information regarding election deadlines, procedures and rules are available from the IEA-NEA Elections Committee, 100 E. Edwards, Springfield, IL 62704.

## PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS FOR 2012 IEA RA

Proposed bylaw amendments must be received by the IEA Bylaws and Resolutions Committee, in care of the President's Office, Illinois Education Association, 100 East Edwards, Springfield, IL 62704-1999, no later than **5 p.m.** Central Standard Time, **Dec. 9, 2011**. This will enable the Bylaws and Resolutions Committee to prepare the proposed bylaw amendments for presentation to the executive committee and for publication in the *Advocate*. Proposed bylaw amendments submitted after this deadline will not be printed in the *Advocate*, and, therefore, will need a three-fourths vote for passage at the Representative Assembly. Forms are being sent to the board of directors in September and also will be available from the Springfield Legal Services office at Headquarters. The IEA Bylaws, Values and Vision can be found in the "About" section of the IEA website, [www.ieanea.org](http://www.ieanea.org).

If you have questions, please contact **Freddy Hatfill, Chairperson, Bylaws and Resolutions Committee, 23470 Hollow Avenue, Jerseyville, IL 62052, (618) 498-4559 or [thatfill@gtec.com](mailto:thatfill@gtec.com)**.

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