

How does TEA stack up against the others?



TEA defends public schools

TEA defeated private school vouchers FIVE years in a row, prohibited the use of TVAAS in licensure decisions, protected duty-free planning time, increased state funding for salaries and insurance, protected retirement and much more.

TEA is on the ground in your district

TEA employs more than 20 fulltime staff members who live and work in the communities where members work. UniServ staff are trained to assist with collaborative conferencing, instruction and professional development, employment disputes, and a wide variety of member benefits and services.

TEA fights for hard-working educators

Our legal staff work only for our members. TEA's three on-staff attorneys are experienced in education law and provide services only to educators. TEA's legal victories have vindicated tenured teachers unfairly fired, won back-pay for teachers who did not receive the appropriate raise and more.

TEA discounts offset membership cost

TEA offers discounts from hundreds of local and national businesses on everything from restaurants and movie tickets to travel savings and mortgages.

TEA is a leader in instructional advocacy

TEA's staff are licensed educators who have provided training to hundreds of thousands of Tennessee teachers. Our team is trained in the latest instructional techniques, monitors State Board of Education meetings, and conducts hundreds of local professional development workshops in Tennessee school systems.

TEA is the largest and strongest voice of educators. There is only one choice.

www.TEATEACHERS.ORG



PET partners with privatizers

PET works closely with the Beacon Institute - one of the largest voucher supporters and anti-public education organizations in the state. PET Executive Director JC Bowman often co-authors op-eds with Beacon Center of Tennessee leadership. PET also published a video touting its role in silencing teachers by ending collective bargaining in Tennessee.

No local staff support

The PET website makes no mention of field staff working in the schools or communities where you live and work.

No ed law experts on staff

The PET website makes no mention of any on-staff attorneys or legal team with education experience.

Limited discounts

PET offers a limited list of insurance policies, travel discounts and other discounts.

PD without TN teaching experience

PET employs the executive director's wife as its professional development specialist, but she has never taught under the Tennessee curriculum and is not a licensed educator in Tennessee.

www.ProEdTN.org