



2017-18 STEA Officers

- Mary C. Randall.....President
- Savannah Huff.....President-Elect
- Ruth Tan.....Secretary
- Vacant.....VP West
- Jenika Headley-Greene.....VP Middle
- Caitlyn Brewer.....VP East



[Rhonda R. Thompson,](#)

Coordinator of Instructional Advocacy and Student Programs (FTA & STEA)

IT'S ELECTION TIME!

NEWS

\$\$\$ Don't Leave MONEY on the Table \$\$\$

DEADLINE: March 1

The Don Sahli-Kathy Woodall

Scholarship Fund awards up to eight scholarships annually. For more information, [click here](#).

- \$ **Pre-Service Scholarships** are awarded to four undergraduate or graduate students preparing to become teachers who are enrolled in a Tennessee college or university, as follows:
 - ✓ One \$1,000 scholarship awarded to the president of STEA
 - ✓ One \$1,000 scholarship awarded to an STEA member
 - ✓ Two \$500 scholarships awarded to STEA members

\$ **A Sons and Daughters Scholarship** for \$1,000 is awarded to the child of a TEA member who is a high school senior, undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in a Tennessee college or university and studying to become a teacher.

DEADLINE: APRIL 15

Jack Kinnaman Scholarship

Sponsored by the NEA-Retired, the Jack Kinnaman Memorial Scholarship offsets the tuition of an NEA student member. It was created in memory of an education advocate and longtime NEA member, Jack Kinnaman who cared about the students, especially those who were financially impacted and needed a helping hand. Applications become available during the Spring semester and are due April 15 of each year. For more information, [click here](#).

DEADLINE: April 15

TN Student Assistance Corporation Programs (TSAC)

provides financial assistance for post-secondary educational opportunities to Tennessee residents and other students who have established eligibility in accordance with program guidelines. For more information, [click here](#).

Also, give the SCHOLLY app a try and let us know your results!



SPRING CONFERENCE

April 27-28, 2018

Embassy Suites – Cool Springs

Professional Development Sessions

- ✓ Pitfalls to Avoid Your 1st Year Teaching
- ✓ Leadership
- ✓ A Politically Savvy Student Makes a Well-Informed Teacher
- ✓ Restorative Justice
- ✓ Getting Along With Difficult People
- ✓ Money Tips for Teachers
- ✓ Managing Difficult Behaviors

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MARCH 23

CONTACT YOUR STEA ADVISOR TO REGISTER!

[Click here to get your advisor's contact information.](#)



It's Election Time!

Candidates Running for NEA and/or TEA Delegate

*Position(s) candidate is seeking

Biographical information and campaign statements that follow were submitted by the December 15 deadline. (All information and statements appear unedited and exactly as they were submitted.)

Others may be nominated from the floor on Friday, April 27, at the STEA Spring Convention. Elections will be held Saturday, April 28.

TEA Delegates are required to attend the TEA Representative Assembly. This event will be held at the Embassy Suites – Murfreesboro on May 18-19, 2018. The cost of the hotel room will be covered by TEA. Delegates will be reimbursed for meals and mileage.

STEA Officers are required to attend the NEA Summer Leadership Conference (SLC) and both STEA conferences. The NEA SLC will be held in Minneapolis, MN June 27 – 30, 2018. The costs of the hotel room and plane ticket are covered. Officers will receive an advance to cover meals, ground transportation, and airline baggage fees. **The fall STEA conference will be November 2-4, 2018.**

NEA Delegates are required to attend the NEA Representative Assembly. This event will be held in Minneapolis, MN June 30 – July 5, 2018. The costs of the hotel room and plane ticket are covered. Delegates will receive an advance to cover meals, ground transportation, and airline baggage fees.

Erin Bell

Austin Peay State University
As a non-traditional, first-generation student, I found my place on APSU's campus with STEA. I have been an active member since I joined STEA, and I served as president elect then president. I strive to encourage all members while including all. I would love the privilege of serving as a TEA and NEA representative.

*Running for TEA & NEA Delegate

Caitlyn Brewer

Lincoln Memorial University
My name is Caitlyn Brewer, and I am a junior elementary education major from Lincoln Memorial University. As the president of the LMU Chapter and vice president for East Tennessee, I have promoted political advocacy as a way to influence change for the teaching profession and our future students. I am proud to be a voice for kids both inside and outside the classroom, and I hope you will join me!

*Running for TEA & NEA Delegate

Azaria Mays

Austin Peay State University
Hi my name is Azaria. I am a hardworking person. I will get the job done for any situation. I am very passionate about my future career choices. I have always wanted to be a teacher since Elementary school. I can't wait to be an inspiration to all my future students.

*Running for TEA & NEA Delegate

Deanna Morris

Austin Peay State University
I have been involved with STEA since my second semester at APSU. Even though I was not an officer for the first year, I helped out with everything. I used to be the Events Coordinator but I am now President-Elect. I feel like this would be a great opportunity to help shape our chapter and reach more people. Thank you so much for this wonderful opportunity.

*Running for TEA & NEA Delegate

Mary Celeste Randall

Carson-Newman University
I am a senior at Carson-Newman University. Currently, I serve as the state president for STEA. Before my state service, I served as Carson-Newman's Chapter President. Since this year will be my last, I would like to participate in both the NEA and the TEA RA. These opportunities will provide me with invaluable resources that I will use to continue my lifelong learning as an educator.

*Running for TEA & NEA Delegate



Candidates' Biographical Sketches cont.

Melanie Stinnett

Pellissippi State Community College
My name is Melanie Stinnett. I will soon be a graduate of Pellissippi State Community College, and will be _____ my career through Tennessee Tech University. I am an education major for elementary Studies. I found my calling _____ teacher on a trip to Honduras. I got the opportunity to _____ 3rd World country children, and found my passion. I am de_____ in investing in the future lives of the next generations to come.

Ruth Tan

TN Technological University
I'm Ruth Tan. I'm running for TEA delegate. First, I want to mention that I'm working for you. I'm educating myself and trying to educate others about the importance of your voice. Second, I want to make sure our issues are addressed. Third, I have been attending numerous leadership conference to help STEA become stronger. I hope that you see me as a qualified candidate to represent you.

*Runing for TEA & NEA Delegate

***Any STEA member can run for office.**



Positions to Be Filled:

- President
- President-Elect
- Secretary
- Vice President East
- Vice President Middle
- Vice President West
- TEA Delegates
- NEA Delegates

All positions have a 1-year term.

*In order to serve as an officer or delegate, the STEA member must maintain the same scholastic average or GPA required by the college for admission to and retention in its Teacher Education Program.

STEA MEMBERS REPRESENT!

2017 NEA Delegates – Boston, MA



POP QUIZ

NEA RA – Boston, MA
 Which delegate just woke up and which delegate is still asleep?



Please submit questions, suggestions, and chapter events/activities to

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Student Tennessee Education Association

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____ Social Security Number: XXX-XX-_____
 (Last) (First) (M)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Personal Email Address: _____

School Email Address: _____

Year in School: ___ Freshman ___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior ___ Graduate ___ Other

Are you student teaching this year: ___ Yes ___ No

College or University: _____

Area of Certification: _____

Anticipated Month and Year of Graduation: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Ethnicity:

- American Indian / Alaska Native
 Asian
 Black
 Caucasian (not of Spanish origin)
 Hispanic
 Multi-Ethnic
 Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander
 Other: _____
 Unknown

STE A Dues Amounts

National Education Association:	\$15.00
Tennessee Education Association:	\$10.00
College/University Chapter:	\$ _____
Total Amount:	\$ _____

Please return this completed form to your STEA chapter advisor.