

## August Update

### VEA Members Ratify Agreements!

The VEA Executive Board validated the ratification vote affirming the tentative agreements presented to the membership for consideration. The membership approved the package with a 96.5% yes vote.

The ratified agreements can be found on the VEA website ([www.vancouverea.org](http://www.vancouverea.org)) under the documents tab.

### Adidas Employee Store



VEA members and their guests (up to 4) can purchase items at the Adidas Employee Store now through September 5. You will need to bring your work identification, business card or pay stub, photo ID, and [this invitation letter](#). Store hours are M-F 10 am – 9 pm, Sat-Sun 9 am – 9 pm. Shop for fresh back to school looks at 50% off employee-only prices!

### Community of Practice

Educators are strongly encouraged to attend the district-directed August Community of Practice date which applies to their grade band, unless otherwise directed by their District administrator. If they are unable to attend the date as scheduled, they may attend the other date offered, even if it does not correspond with their grade band. If the educator does not attend either date, the educator may be accountable for any missed content (with no pay) and the District may still direct up to 8 hours of their Individual PD funds during the school year.

### NEA Foundation Summer Grants

The NEA Foundation [summer grants to educators application period is now open](#). The deadline for applications is September 15<sup>th</sup>. NEA members are eligible to receive grants ranging from \$1.5K to \$5K. **Student Success** grants enable students to engage in learning experience connected to real-world issues and challenges. Advance your student's cultural understanding and appreciation with the help of the **Envision Equity** grant. Innovate your teaching instruction with resources to engage in meaningful professional development with the **Learning and Leadership** grants... and more!!

*The VEA office has modified office hours when school is not in session – M-Th 8-3; F 8-2.*

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