

June Update

Summer PD Opportunity: AI & Minecraft Education Courses

Registration is now open for two (FREE) WEA professional learning opportunities!

Join the [Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) in the Classroom](#) five-part online series beginning **July 15** to learn practical ways to use AI in educational settings (15 clock hours).

WEA is also offering [Minecraft Education for STEM](#), a live 12 clock hour Zoom course starting **July 22** focused on bringing immersive, STEM-rich learning into any subject area.

Space is limited for both courses, so register early!



Don't Forget to ...



Keep an eye on your mailbox—primary election ballots will be mailed out no later than **July 17**. Please take a few minutes to review the materials and return your ballot by **August 4**.

Looking for a personalized voter's guide of WEAPAC endorsed candidates for this primary election? Use this link: [2026 Endorsements | Washington Education Association](#)

Your voice and participation matter!

Bargaining/Mediation Update

Your VEA bargaining team participated in another mediation session on Friday, June 26. Little movement has been made. Both teams will come together again on August 11.

VEA Summer Hours

Just a reminder—the VEA office will be CLOSED for the month of July. The office will reopen on Monday, August 3.

Interested in National Board Certification

Thinking about pursuing National Board Certification? VEA is offering an **NBCT cohort** next year to support members through the certification process.

Participating in a cohort provides collaboration, guidance, accountability, and a supportive community as you work toward certification. There is a minimum requirement of 7 participants for VEA to run a cohort.

To learn more or register: [VEA NBCT Cohort participant letter](#).