

Weekly Update

It's a Wrap!

After a long, interim bargaining season that took us into mediation, **our agreement has officially been ratified by VEA members.**



Thank you to the VEA Bargaining team and all of the members who engaged in the process to help us reach this point.

Now our focus turns to making sure the agreements are implemented, our rights are protected, and our members have the support they need throughout the school year.

This spring, we'll begin a full contract negotiation. There will be lots of opportunities to get involved throughout the year, so keep an eye out and find a way to plug in. Our strongest bargaining comes from members who are informed, engaged, and united.

Happy First Day of School!

Tomorrow is the first day of school!

The first day of school is one of my favorite days of the year. There's excitement, chaos, and plenty of nerves for educators and students alike. I love that, as educators, we get two chances at a "new year": the start of school and January.

I've been thinking about my own first day of kindergarten. I started school right here in VPS at Sacajawea, and it feels pretty special to be part of this community as an educator, parent, and union leader.

Wishing all of you a wonderful first day.

Here's to a great year!



August 25: First Day for Grades 1-5, 6, 9

August 26: First Day for Grades 7-8, 10-12

August 28: First day for Kindergarten