

## REDforED

#REDforED Value Students, Respect Educators, Fund our Schools

REDforED is a nationwide movement that is a show of solidarity amongst educators to highlight the plight of public school educators. For years, our salaries have been slashed or stagnant.

Legislation has weakened us and created difficult working conditions, which has created the mass teacher exodus that burdens us right now. Educators around the country from all states like Arizona, Oklahoma, and West Virginia began banding together for better pay and working conditions under the banner of REDforED. Last school year, we joined that movement and it helped us secure a win with an LOA that saw bonuses as well as an additional 3% over two years. Let's ramp up momentum as we begin to negotiate our next contract. The current climate has the wind at our back and we need your support to help us win big.

Please join us at the upcoming school board meetings:

March 13

April 10

May 8

June 5

June 19



# Union-Building Institute

On February 4<sup>th</sup> members of our Executive Board participated in an AFT Michigan lead Union-Building Institute to work on building stronger unions. [For more details you can visit the weekly update from AFT Michigan.](#)

You can also find more information from AFT Michigan about upcoming workshops and union building events on their [website](#).



# Contract Survey

Thank you to all 896 members (67% of membership) who completed the Contract Issues survey. We see many great ideas and lots of common themes to help us determine important topics for negotiations. Please keep an eye on your email for more information about the upcoming bargaining.

## Building Membership

Congratulations to the following buildings for having 100% union membership.

ASC

Cotter Early Childhood Center

DFT

DuVall Elementary

Geer Park Elementary

McDonald Elementary

Miller Elementary

Nowlin Elementary

Oakman Elementary

Salina Intermediate

