Virtual Info Session on NEA Legislative Program
Frequently Asked Questions

What is this session and when will it take place?
The chair of the NEA Standing Committee on Legislation, Shannon McCann (WA), will host the info session on Tuesday, July 7, 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). While action this year on the proposed NEA Legislative Program was postponed until 2021, this is an opportunity for 2020 NEA delegates to review, ask questions about, and provide feedback on NEA’s Legislative Program, which governs the Association’s federal lobbying efforts on Capitol Hill.

How can I participate in the session?
Delegates sign up for this and any other pre/post RA policy sessions through the online RA delegate registration process. If you have not signed up for the session and would like to you can still do so by revisiting and changing your online registration. If you have any questions or experience problems signing up for this info session, please contact ratownhall@nea.org.

Delegates who sign up for the info session receive an email confirming that they have registered. They receive reminder calls, as well as a call on July 7 connecting them directly to the event. Delegates may also access the live session webcast and slide presentation for the session at: www.access.live/nearadelegates. Please note: During the live event, if you are listening by phone and following the webcast online, please click the button that appears directly below the streaming player that indicates you are “listening on the phone.”

What if I miss the call or do not receive a call?
If you registered for the session but for some reason you miss or forget to answer the incoming call just before 8:00 pm EDT, please check your voicemail for a message with instructions on how to dial in directly to join the session. If, after 8:00 pm EDT, you have not received a call, please email NEA for assistance at ratownhall@nea.org or call 202-822-7000.

Are there options available for hearing-impaired delegates?
Yes, delegates may access the live session stream at www.access.live/nearadelegates and hover and click the “CC” icon located in the bottom right of the streaming screen to activate the closed-caption service.

Where can I find a copy of the Legislative Program?
The NEA Legislative Program and Annual Legislative Report can be found on the RA Delegate site at www.nea.org/delegate-resources.

How will the virtual info session work?
The committee chairperson will first present on the Legislative Program and provide instructions on how to submit questions. Questions may be submitted either live by delegates on the phone or online at www.access.live/nearadelegates until the end of the session (9:00 pm EDT) and they will be answered in turn. Delegates who submit questions not answered live due to time restrictions will be contacted after the session.

How can I ask a question during the session?
When instructed to do so, delegates will be able to press keys on their phone to enter the queue to ask a question. If interested in participating, you will be connected to an operator who will ask for your name, state, and the question you would like to ask, and you will then be placed into the question queue. When the chair calls on a delegate, the delegate’s phone line will be opened. Questions that are submitted online at www.access.live/nearadelegates will be read and answered directly by the chairperson and/or other committee members and NEA staff.

What if I am disconnected during the session?
If at any time you are disconnected from the info session, you may reach us at ratownhall@nea.org or 202-822-7000 for assistance in dialing back directly to the call. You may alternatively follow the live stream at www.access.live/nearadelegates.