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Subject: Spring Break approaching fast! Here is your weekly update!

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Spring Break is just 3 weeks away! Keep your chin up, you can make it! Here are your weekly updates...

REVISED Transfer Round Schedule - the end of the month will be here soon and with that ends the transfer process. Please refer to the REVISED schedule below:

- Round 2 Complete interviews by Tuesday, March 7, 2017
- Posting 3 Friday, March 10 Wednesday, March 15, 2017
- Round 3 Interviews Thursday, March 16 Thursday, March 23, 2017

Again, if you have applied for any positions on the transfer postings and have not heard from the principal nor interviewed by March 7, please contact the principal at the school and then contact the CFT Office at 513-961-2272.

CFT/CFOP Scholarships - Scholarship applications are now available at www.cft-aft.org. Deadline to apply with appropriate documentation is **April 3, 2017.**

CFT Membership Meeting - Wednesday, March 8, 2017. BR Briefing begins at 5:00, Membership meeting begins at 5:30 pm. 3457 Montgomery Rd. Please plan to attend to find out the details of the latest happenings.

Your Pension & What you need to Know - We have recently learned that the STRS Ohio Board will soon make some decisions that will impact ALL STRS members, current & future. Visit www.cft-aft.org to read about it. We are holding a forum with STRS Ohio & STRS Board members to discuss the issues facing them. **SAVE THE DATE** - Monday, March 13 @ 5:00 pm. Location to be determined.

CFOP Members - watch your email for the next mini-bargaining survey! Your participation is crucial.

LEAP at North Fairmount & Spencer - Given that the interviews haven't taken place for the new CPS schools here's the agreement with CFT:

 Current CPS teachers who wish to apply to Spencer or LEAP need to put their names in by the end the transfer round application process. Applications from current CPS teachers will **only** be considered if they have put their names in during the open application period of the transfer round. **ESSA Survey** - Only a couple of days left to change testing in Ohio! Go to **ESSAopportunity.mobi/survey** to tell ODE it's ESSA plan is not ready to submit in April! In each comment box write the following: *"This plan ignores public input about ending the testing culture. Do not submit this draft in April."*

Planning to Retire in the next 5 years? - RSVP for the CFT/VOYA seminar to get information about your sick leave conversion. Click here for details.

Spring Break is March 27 - 31 and I am sure every one is looking forward to our **End of the Year Celebration** on May 19, 2017 at Taft's Ale House!

Until next week....HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!