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Subject: You Survived!.... Weekly Updates Inside

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PARP Teacher Self-Request for Assistance Form

Well, if you are reading this, Congratulations! You survived the Full Moon on Friday the 13th during Mid-Term Week!

Here are your updates....

CFT/CFOP COPE Luncheon – By now you should have received the [invitation](#) to our upcoming [COPE Luncheon](#) on Saturday, September 21st at 11:30a. The monies we raise for COPE go to our non-partisan action fund that supports CFT-endorsed candidates and campaign committees that will advance pro-public education support and policies.

COPE donations are necessary because the union is legally prohibited from using dues money for politics. However, politics play a critical role in winning good contracts and maintaining pro-public education policy and funding.

This year we are excited to have [AFT - American Federation of Teachers](#) President [Randi Weingarten](#) as our featured speaker.

We hope you can attend, this will be an inspiring event (with a scrumptious fried chicken luncheon!) to kick off this election cycle, as we build power to fight for the schools all our children deserve.

If you currently donate less than \$5 to COPE, and sign up to increase your donation to \$5 or more at the event registration table – you can attend for free!

And yes, this event is open to the public, so bring your friends too!

DETAILS:

- COPE 2019 Luncheon
- Saturday Sept 21 11:30-1:30pm
- NALC Branch 43 [4100 Colerain Ave, Cincinnati OH 45223](#)

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\$40 per ticket

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RSVP to CFT Offices: 513-961-2272

Make checks payable to CFT COPE – Please make payment to CFT offices by September 18

Please “like”, “share”, and “invite” on Facebook too! Here is the link: <https://www.facebook.com/events/390222191874844/>

2019 – 2020 Teacher Leadership Institute - The Cincinnati Federation of Teachers invites you to participate in the Teacher Leaders Institute for 2019-2020. Teachers from Cincinnati Public Schools with full-time classroom responsibilities and who are CFT members will be selected to join with other teacher leaders nationwide. We are seeking teachers who would like to take an active role in influencing policy in the following areas, for example:

- Teacher Leadership in School Policy
- Ongoing Professional Growth
- Dispelling the Myths of Education
- Action Research Project

Teachers selected for the program will:

- Increase knowledge of major challenges facing the teaching profession through readings and discussions with leading policy experts;
- Improve leadership skills;
- Participate in conducting research and using it to influence policy;
- Be awarded a \$1500 stipend.

Visit our website for detailed information, guidelines and application at www.cft-aft.org and go to the Resources tab and click on Teacher Leadership Institute. **Deadline to apply is September 20, 2019.**

CFOP Leadership Opportunities - During the 2019-20 school year, CPS is piloting Leadership CPS - an interactive leadership development program for AFSCME, **CFOP** and other civil - service staff who work at our Board of Education and Iowa Street locations. After completing this 6 month leadership development course participants will:

- Be able to articulate your own leadership style
- Create an action plan to develop a personal networking approach to advance professional relationship

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- Identify resiliency strategies
- Create a personal growth plan to support your short and long term goals

CPS will be expanding this opportunity next school year throughout the district. Please see the attached link for more information. https://drive.google.com/open?id=1r_tXaa7HteMA7c65j7tnZs1AXsk9UMVJ Please check out the Talent Development website for Professional Growth opportunities and for Leadership Development workshops that you can schedule. <https://sites.google.com/cpsboe.k12.oh.us/department-of-talent-developme/home>. Questions? Please email: talentdev@cpsboe.k12.oh.us

Is your classroom overloaded? – If your answer is yes, please let your building representative know. The Teacher Allocation Committee will be meeting on Friday, September 20 and we need to know real counts, not just the PowerSchool numbers. If you need clarification regarding class size limits, please refer to the [CFT Collective Bargaining Agreement](#) beginning on page 58

Senior Support Specialists Elementary Employees – this is a reminder that if you are buried in enrollments, all SSSE's in the school should be working on enrollments and cum transfers. If your principal is not allowing this, contact Betty Hodson at 513-475-6048. We know there are several schools that are short people and the district is doing their best to fill those positions.

CFOP Membership Meeting – Thursday, September 19 @ 5:00 at the CFT/CFOP Office. 2055 Reading Rd, Suite 120. This will be an open forum to discuss problems and concerns with the opening of the school year.

Peer Assistance and Review Program - Resource Pages are here. [Click here](#) to find out who to contact for what!

Teacher Practicum Schedule 2019-2020 - Course Location - Jacobs Center, 5425 Winton Ridge Ln., 45232

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CERTIFICATES - A Certificate of Completion will be available once the participant takes the evaluation online. If the participant does not complete the evaluation, they will not be able to print a certificate of completion.

Please visit www.mayersonacademy.org and click on MyPD in the upper right hand corner for registration.

[Click here for Course Dates, Topic's and Course Numbers](#)

PARP Teacher Self-Request Form - Request District-Wide Mentor Assistance by using this [form](#).

TEACHER SUPPORT FAIR - SAVE THE DATE
September 14, 2019 @ Mayerson Academy
9:00 am to 12:00 Noon

We want you to LOVE teaching -- but we know that it is critically important that you, and ALL of our teachers, have what is needed to be successful in the classroom. The Peer Assistance and Review (PARP) program, in partnership with several other supporting CPS departments, will be providing Saturday sessions to provide you the support needed for a successful year of teaching. Contact hours will be awarded to those who register through MyPD. (Course# 12658.17867)

There will be a 11:00 - 12:00 Classroom Environment Management session that will provide practical advice on how to manage everyday teaching and learning task in an urban environment.

The following departments will be in attendance to answer your concerns:

- ITM
- HR/Payroll
- Benefits
- Department of Student Services
- Curriculum
- Facilities
- Peer Assistance Review Panel

[Click to download flyer](#)

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Additional Important Dates to Remember:

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Annual Fall Celebration – Friday, October 11, 2019 at the Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church located at 7000 Winton Rd., 45224. The party starts at 4:00p and goes until 7:00p. Come and celebrate the end of the first quarter with us!

5th Annual CFT/CFOP Trunk or Treat – Saturday, October 26, 2019 from Noon – 2:00p. Location will be announced soon. Bring your little ones for some fun, safe trick or treating. We will also have music, food and crafts!

Take a breather and relax - Halloween will be here before you know it!

Enjoy Your Weekend! And as always... If your colleagues are NOT receiving our emails, please encourage them to send an email to cft@cft-aft.org from their non-work email address and we will put them on our mailing list!

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Friday the 13th Full Moon



The Facts:

- **This Fri, Sep 13th
at 9:35 PM**
- **Last Occurrence
Oct 13th, 2000**
- **Next Occurrence
Aug 13th, 2049**