

# STRONG PUBLIC SCHOOLS



# 2020

## BE A PARTY DELEGATE!



**Y**ou (yes, you!) can ensure public education is a central issue in the 2020 presidential race by serving as a delegate to your party's National Convention.

Every four years, NEA members get the chance to advocate for public education in a unique and exciting way - by becoming a delegate to their party's national convention! At both conventions, delegates gather to choose their party's nominee for president and vote on the party platforms - including education policies. By becoming a delegate you can advocate for your students and make public education a central issue in the 2020 presidential race.

### What is it like being a delegate?

- You get to know advocates in your community and your state party.
- You bring a unique **strong public schools** perspective to influence the national party platform and choose your party's nominee for president.
- You are introduced to other NEA member delegates from across the country.
- You travel to your party convention and attend fun events - often with star entertainment!

### How can I become a delegate?

- Each state party has their own process for becoming a delegate. Check out the NEA delegate [site](#) for more information on the process in your state.
- Usually, the first step is filing a form with your state party to indicate your interest in becoming a delegate and to let them know who you are supporting in the presidential primary.

### How can NEA help?

- NEA Delegate Program staff are available to answer your questions at [delegates2020@nea.org](mailto:delegates2020@nea.org).
- Training on how to run for delegate slots, the skills to get elected, and support to those who attend their party's national convention
- Financial stipend to offset travel and lodging costs at the convention

### When and where are the conventions - DNC and RNC?

- DNC: July 13-16 in Milwaukee, WI
- RNC: August 24-17 in Charlotte, NC

### What next? Want to run for delegate?

Let us know [here](#).

### Any questions?

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