

2018 DSEA Elections

The following individuals have filed as candidates for election to the following offices: DSEA Treasurer, Executive Board for Sussex, Kent, and New Castle (full-term; partial-term), and NEA RA Delegate.

DSEA Treasurer, Executive Board for Sussex County, and New Castle County (partial-term), are automatically elected due to DSEA Bylaws governing uncontested races.

Voting will be open from Jan. 8th to Jan. 22nd. DSEA will send an email with voting instructions to those members who have an email address on file. Members without an email address will be mailed a paper ballot. All ballots must be returned or cast by January 22nd.

Additional information is available on the DSEA Elections page at <http://bit.ly/dsea-elections>.

DSEA Treasurer (one vacancy)



Name: Jeannette Wilt
School District: Brandywine School District
Local Association: Brandywine Education Association

As a dedicated and passionate educator, I am asking for your support and vote for DSEA Treasurer. This is my 14th year teaching math at Brandywine High School, and my 23rd year in public education. My union experience with BEA as a building representative, legislative chairperson, and currently membership chairperson, as well as my seven years on DSEA's Executive Board, have provided me with a strong foundation to stand up for public education and the rights of our members. I represent Delaware on the NEA Resolutions Committee and serve as the chairperson in our state. I am a member of the Delaware Teacher Center Policy Board and the DCTM Executive Board. I am a member of DSEA's Project PEOPLE cadre, creating and teaching PD modules across Delaware and elsewhere. I actively participate at DSEA retreats and the Representative Assembly, and share the knowledge I gain with colleagues throughout my district.

Our union is strong, but with the difficult issues we face as public school educators, we must continue to work together to make our union stronger. DSEA has made efforts to move away from a service model of unionism, where members view the union as merely a provider of services connected to our local contracts, to an organizing model where members are more engaged and connected to each other. This is a cultural change I strongly support. The Supreme Court's upcoming Janus decision means that we must step up our one-to-one organizing meetings and our coalition building. DSEA is only as strong as its members, and as your treasurer I will work tirelessly to ensure its solvency and relevance.

As an advocate for all public educators, I appreciate your vote for the opportunity to serve as the Treasurer of DSEA.

Executive Board: Sussex County (two vacancies)



Name: Lacey Brown
School District: Cape Henlopen School District
Local Association: Cape Henlopen Education Association

My name is Lacey Brown and I am running for re-election to the DSEA Executive Board as a Sussex County Representative for the next two years. I am currently a special education teacher at the Sussex Consortium in the Cape Henlopen School district. I have been an active union member since 2011 and currently serve as the Vice President of my local CHEA chapter, and have also served in the capacity of secretary. I have attended the NEA-RA in 2015, 2016, 2017 and the NEA Leadership Summit 2016 and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Organizing Institute 2016. As an active member, I will bring the knowledge and skills I have learned and mastered to the Executive Board as well as the local constituents within DSEA. I am currently serving on the DSEA Executive Board finishing a partial term. From my current involvement with the DSEA Executive Board I feel I have been



Name: Tammy Eitner
School District: Cape Henlopen School District
Local Association: Cape Henlopen Support Staff Association

Hello fellow educators. My name is Tammy Eitner and I am asking for your support in this election. I have been a paraprofessional for the past 8 years and for the past 3 years in the Cape Henlopen School District. I love my job and I love working with my students. I am currently the Secretary for our local, the Cape Henlopen Support Staff Association. I am also on the kindergarten task force, and on the resolutions committee. Last year I was elected to serve as a Sussex County representative on the DSEA Executive Board, giving me an opportunity to be a voice in Dover for all members or pressing concerns. I would like to continue to represent you and share both your thoughts and concerns with DSEA Leadership and Legislators. Thank you for giving me this opportunity and I hope many more to come.

Executive Board: New Castle County (one partial-term vacancy)



Name: Emily Klein
School District: Colonial School District
Local Association: Colonial Education Association

I am a school psychologist with a passion for leadership and advocacy for my profession. For 15 years, I have served in a variety of leadership roles in the Delaware Association of School Psychologists (DASP), and am currently Delaware's elected representative to the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). Within the last few years, I have become more active in DSEA because of the need for protection and advocacy not just for the professional practice of classroom teachers, but for the professional practice of all educators. As a delegate of my local (Colonial Education Association) to the NEA Representative Assembly the last two years, I have seen the value that specialized instructional support staff can contribute to governance. A vote for me would allow me to bring this contribution to the DSEA Executive Board. I thank you for your consideration.