

MSEA President Candidates:



Theresa Mitchell Dudley

Position: Teacher

Local Association: PGCEA

Your vote matters! Please vote Theresa Mitchell Dudley for MSEA President. All educators matter, whether you work in a small or large county, or whether you're a certified member or an educational support professional (ESP), your working conditions matter. The educator shortage is a crisis. Educator shortages are creating havoc with burnout, over-crowded classes, and even late buses. Discipline issues highlight the need for restorative practices to be funded. Special educators need time to complete work and address unrealistic workloads. Our ESP Bill of Rights must be a priority to retain our educators left out of the Blueprint. All educators, including ESP's matter and should benefit from salary enhancements no matter where you live. My purpose is always to initiate, activate, and elevate, members to be involved. You matter in the Blueprint Implementation of the community schools with consistent standards. Thank you for your past support for me. You Matter.



Paul Lemle

Position: Teacher

Local Association: HCEA (Howard)

Friends and colleagues: as current MSEA director and classroom teacher, former local president and ESP, I bring a unique background to the job. Each experience has been an opportunity for growth. As a cancer survivor and an adoptive dad to three boys from Ethiopia, I know the importance of good benefits. After teaching during Covid, I know why we fight for our working conditions and student learning conditions. Having taught in Louisiana, Washington, UK, and Maryland, I have seen that strong, progressive unions, especially those in right to strike states, improve class size and educator pay. Strong unions are better able to fight against school violence by directly taking on the gun lobby and getting educators into elected office. Strong unions are able to get educators into elected office. I intend to build on President Bost's strong foundation and build an even more powerful, dynamic MSEA.
