

THE BENTE INFORMER

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SPECIAL END OF THE YEAR EDITION



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

6/19: Juneteenth Holiday:
All facilities closed. Please report REG time in PeopleSoft

6/25: Last day of School for Students PreK-12

6/26: Last day of work for 10 month Employees

6/30: Last day of work for 10 month clerical

8/4: Return to work for 11 month HSAs

8/18: Return to work for all School Safety Officers

8/18: Return to work for Food Service Managers

8/25: Return to work for Food Service Staff and 10 month clerical

9/2: Return to work for all other 10 month staff



For the first time in school history, the World of Inquiry School #58 boys Varsity Basketball team, led by our very own Lead School Safety Officer, Willie Mason, became sectional champions, and made it to the State semifinals! Willie was named Section V Coach of the year, and was honored to be a part of the "magical and historic season". In his ninth year with the District, Mason serves as the lead School Safety Officer at Andrew Langston Middle School. He also coaches boys volleyball at School of the Arts and is the assistant baseball coach at Padilla High

BENTE SCHOLARSHIP RENAMED THE DANIEL S. DICLEMENTE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

At the Executive Board meeting held on February 13, 2025, the Executive Board unanimously renamed the BENTE Scholarship award the Daniel S. DiClemente Scholarship Award, in memory of our long time BENTE President. "Dan loved giving this award to graduating seniors every year" President Palmerini stated. "He took pride in giving to the students of the Rochester City School District. It only seemed right to name it after him". Every year a scholarship committee is formed where members of the Executive Board read applications from graduating Seniors, and award two \$500 scholarships. Winners will be announced and presented checks at the end of the year meeting.

BENTE END OF YEAR MEETING/COOKOUT

Seneca Park Zoo—Longhouse Shelter

Thursday June 5, 2025

4:30 PM

Please join us for our last membership meeting of the year, as we host our annual BENTE end of year cookout. Traditional cookout food will be served by Dave's Sidewalk Café.

At the meeting we will be giving out 25 year awards, food, and raffle prizes! You don't want to miss it! Please join your fellow BENTE members in celebrating another successful year of hard work.

* Reminder: This is also a membership meeting. Only BENTE dues paying members shall be in attendance*

TRUSTEE ELECTIONS TO BE HELD IN THE FALL

At the May 14th General Membership meeting, nominations for one vacant Trustee position were held. There were 5 BENTE members who were nominated at the meeting. All 5 members accepted their nominations.

Trustees attend Executive Board meetings, and audit the Union's financials on a semi annual basis.

Information regarding candidates and election time and location will be mailed out at the end of summer/beginning of the school year. All BENTE members are eligible to vote for in the Trustee election.

For other opportunities to get involved with the union, please feel free to call the BENTE office,

REMINDER: LEAVE CARRY OVER AND BALANCES

As the end of the school year comes to an end, please remember the following regarding your leave balances:

- **Leave Balances:** Be sure to take a screen shot of your leave balances in PeopleSoft! The District is switching over to Oracle July 1, so it is even more important to keep record of how much time you had at the end of the year to ensure it carries over properly.

- Vacation Carry Over and Cash Out:

- The maximum allowable cash out shall be ten (10) days
- Employees hired before the 2014 school year can carry over sixty (60) days of vacation.
- Employees who became members of BENTE after the start of the 2014 school year can carry over a maximum of forty (40) days of vacation.

If you have vacation days in excess of the numbers above, please be sure to submit a vacation cash in request form to the payroll department ASAP or you will lose those days.

- Personal Days: Any personal days that are not used will be carried over and converted to illness days.

- Illness Days: Any illness days that are not used will be carried over in your illness bank.