

## Political Action Committee Refund Request

Thousands of members of Education Minnesota decide to contribute to the union's political action committee. The PAC is one of our main tools to bring the educator voice to the policy debate by electing people who will listen. Those PAC dollars are used to win local levies and to back candidates and organizations that support lower class sizes, high standards and professional educators.

In accordance with Education Minnesota Bylaw Article 2, Section 3, Subd. b, I hereby request the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Please refund to me \$25 of my contribution to Education Minnesota's dues that will be contributed to the general account of Education Minnesota Political Action Committee for the 2018-19 academic year.

### ALL OF THE FOLLOWING FIELDS ARE REQUIRED. PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last 4 digits of SS#: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Local/Affiliate: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A request for refund of the Education Minnesota Political Action Committee contribution will not affect membership rights or benefits. Retired members are not assessed, thus do not qualify for the refund.

### DEADLINE FOR REFUNDS:

Refund requests MUST be received by the Education Minnesota Political Action fund:

- 1) By Oct. 31 for continuing members; or
- 2) Within 30 days of signing a membership application for new members.

### CHECKS WILL NOT BE MAILED UNTIL THE END OF NOVEMBER, AFTER ALL FORMS HAVE BEEN PROCESSED.

### NO PHOTOCOPIES ACCEPTED.

Return this form to:  
Education Minnesota Accounting Department  
Attn: Refund Request  
41 Sherburne Ave.  
St. Paul, MN 55103-2196

## Members drive PAC work, support

The Education Minnesota Political Action Committee (PAC) is a group of members from across the state who guide our union's political and election programs. It is not affiliated with any political party.

The PAC is governed by a board comprised of one representative from each Education Minnesota Election District, plus one higher education/statewide affiliate and one ESP representative.

This year, the PAC members decided on a values framework to guide a process that will elect a pro-public education governor, develop more grassroots political activists and build affinity toward union membership.

Members across the state are engaging the with campaign in record numbers—attending political conferences, submitting questions for the candidate questionnaires, being trained as worksite action leaders and committing to help get their colleagues to vote this fall.

Find your PAC representative, including their contact information, at <http://bit.ly/edmnvotes>.

The PAC also makes funds available to local unions for use in campaigns directly affecting their community and school district. To be eligible, at least 90 percent of a local's members must be contributing to the PAC.

Education Minnesota can also help locals with creating literature, lists and scripts for phone banking and connecting you with the larger labor community in your area to work on the campaign.

Last November, the Duluth Federation of Teachers knew they needed to get active in their local school board race. The local endorsed four candidates and saw them all elected.

"People saw the community working with the DFT, labor organizations and Education Minnesota. This is a partnership, and the work that you put into it pays off," said DFT President Bernie Burnham, after the election.

Contact Education Minnesota at 651-292-4875 to find out how your local can access the funds available for local elections.