

Annual Professional Educator Fall Conference October 12, 13 and 14, 2022 Ocean Place Resort, Long Branch, NJ

Dear School Administrators,

The Art Educators of New Jersey (AENJ) shares your vision for providing educators with a deep knowledge and understanding of contemporary learning and assessment practices. We strive to ensure that students receive the best possible and relevant education with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards as a guiding tenant for lesson and curriculum development. The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) provides further opportunities for teachers to focus on the four C's of collaboration, communication, creativity, and critical thinking - all components of a quality Visual Arts education.

This year's conference theme, TOGETHER IN ART, highlights belonging in the Visual Arts and the power of harnessing each of our students' and our own individual diverse experiences to fuel creativity, engagement, and academic success through the artistic learning process.

We thank you in advance for doing your best to secure the needed release time, financial support and flexibility for educators who are looking to attend the 2022 AENJ Conference, taking place on October 12-14th in Long Branch, NJ. Your support for your staff's annual AENJ membership and Conference registration is sincerely appreciated.

Through a very affordable investment of \$50 a year for AENJ dues, Visual Art Educator members gain access to:

- Discounted Fall Conference Registration
- Professional Development workshops, presentations and meet-ups
- Student and Member Art Exhibitions open only to AENJ members
- Monthly resources and publications on key educational topics
- Professional Development Grants for members and their students
- Scholarships for students of AENJ members

Investing in art education is critically important for developing the habits of mind that nurture human potential. You may find additional details for this and our conference on the AENJ website at <a href="https://www.aenj.org">www.aenj.org</a>. Please contact us with questions or for further information.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Art Educators of New Jersey Executive Board

