

CPS Update September 2021

Bargaining Update: The bargaining committee met with CPS. We have successfully moved CPS in the following areas:

- **CPS Quarantines.** If CPS orders you to quarantine, you have the right to telework, or if you are symptomatic or unable to telework, you can use Pandemic Health Emergency (PHE) time. If you have been ordered to quarantine by CPS and instructed to use your own benefit time you should contact HR or email mac@seiu73.org so we can get your time reimbursed.
- **Safety Measures.** Sneeze guards for security officers, hand sanitizer, gowns, face shields, and gloves for SECAs should be in place if they are not [report on this form](#), buses should be cleaned before the day and after the day.
- **Vaccination.** Staff that can demonstrate that they are in the process of getting vaccinated will not be discharged on October 15, but rather be placed unpaid status until they are fully vaccinated, or if they wish to be paid, continue working while submitting to regular testing until fully vaccinated. Staff can send notice of partial vaccination to vaccines@cps.edu.
- **Carerroom.** All SEIU 73 members who volunteer to be a carerroom attendant should receive the \$250 a week stipend. If you are not receiving your stipend contact your principal and make sure you have undergone the appropriate training and that they have sent your attendance to CPS. Reach out to careroomsupport@cps.edu to be trained and/or report not receiving your stipend. CC your steward and union rep.

We are still advocating for paid leave for parents of CPS students ordered to quarantine, an additional sick day after receiving the vaccine, stricter quarantine procedures, wider testing program, and more.

If you are fully vaccinated it's imperative that you upload your information in the CPS system ASAP. [You can do so here](#).

District Level Committee: We have won two seats on the District Level Safety Committee. We have successfully advocated for a more streamlined consent for testing website. You can register to be [tested here](#) or register your CPS student via the same link. We encourage all of our members to register for testing. In this committee we raise issues that cannot or have not been resolved at the building level safety committee. Please use the form below to report issues that have not been addressed at the building level safety committee. If you are on your building level safety committee please [fill out this form](#).

Centralized Reporting Form: We use this [form to report](#) issues to CPS every week via email and during the District Level Committee. This form does not replace filing a grievance. If you have an issue that should be grieved please contact your steward or the mac@seiu73.org.

Press: [On Wednesday, President Dian Palmer, Security Officer Gregory Lee, and I](#) went to Jensen Elementary school to highlight the number of classes in quarantine and demand the Mayor move beyond words of “disappointment” and into action. [We stood alongside CTU](#).

SEIU 73 member leader Citlali Soto was featured in [Education Week](#) advocating for a hybrid plan, better support for custodians, and more.