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# Professional Support Personnel (PSP Local #6074)

## October 2023 Newsletter

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### PSP Officers 2023-2024

Deborah Letta, Co-President, Clerical  
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## Overview

Hello All PSP Members,

We hope the month of October is going well for all our members. We are continuing to work on improving membership outreach & engagement. If any member has any questions, concerns, or comments- we urge you to reach out to your delegate or a member of the executive committee.

In solidarity,

Your PSP Executive Committee



Remember, we are stronger together!

### WHAT'S INSIDE

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#### NEWS FOR OUR MEMBERS

Outlining some updates/news for our members.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Two Upcoming events.

#### QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

We want to hear from you!  
Connect with us.

## PSP NEWS



**Union Website**, The PSP executive committee & delegates are continuing to work on a union website & a PSP logo. Stay tuned for updates!

**Successor Agreement**, Our successor agreement went into effect 7/1/23. This new agreement will be on the BOCES website soon.

**Fix Tier 6**, NYSUT campaign to improve Tier 6 retirement benefits. [Click here for more Info.](#)

**2 hour sick time-** Members please be aware that if using 2-hour of sick time, a receipt/document for the corresponding appointment **MUST** be emailed to the payroll department within **5 business days**. There have been instances where documentation has not been received within 5 business days and payroll will automatically deduct half day of sick, instead of the 2 hours. Please let us know if you have any questions.

**Questions or Concerns**, If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact one of the officers or your delegate. We are working on your behalf. Let us know what we are doing well and on what we can improve. We would love to hear from you!

## NYSUT NEWS



**Lunar New Year Added to School Calendar**, The Governor signed legislation into law adding Lunar New Year to the list of holidays schools are required to observe and therefore all school districts must be closed on that day. The law, however, does not require school districts to observe the holiday if Lunar New Year falls on a Saturday or Sunday. While the law takes effect immediately, it will not impact the 2023-2024 school calendar as Lunar New Year falls on Saturday, February 10th, 2024.

**New Civil Service Law Amendment**, Governor Hochul signed bill S5494/A7155, which credits all time spent in a provisional civil service position towards the probationary period of the employee subsequently appointed into that position. A number of civil service positions do not run tests frequently, which creates a real challenge for people in provisional appointments (often in BOCES settings). This amendment is an important part of moving the provisional status for these employees to its intended role - a short, limited placement that supports staffing rather than eroding it.

**Discounted Sabres Tickets-** NYSUT members receive discounted tickets for home games between 10/19/2023-04/04/2024 [Click here for discounted Sabres tickets](#)

## Upcoming Events



Making Strides Against Breast Cancer-October 22, 2023, 10:00am  
Innovative Field (One Morrie Silver Way, Rochester, NY 14608) [Rochester Strides Flyer 2023](#)

Women As Caregivers (Free Event for NYSUT members)- October 28, 2023, 9:00am-2:00pm  
NYSUT Rochester Regional Office (30 N. Union Street Rochester, NY 14607)  
[Women As Caregivers Flyer](#)



# Back to school can mean a lot of different things:

- *Starting a new career*
- *Planning for the future*
- *Balancing work and home life*
- *Making difficult decisions*
- *Enjoying your final year before retirement*
- *Recalling memories of a proud career*



Regardless of what you might be doing this fall, **NYSUT Member Benefits** offers a variety of endorsed programs and services that could help make you as prepared as possible for whatever the new school year may throw at you.

Whether you are looking to save money, protect your family, or plan for the future, **NYSUT Member Benefits** is a great place to start. With dozens of endorsed insurance, legal, financial, shopping, travel, and discount programs, you are certain to find something of interest that could benefit you or your loved ones.

And speaking of savings, the **Member Benefits Discounts & Deals** program utilizes the nation's largest private discount network to offer all NYSUT members (both in-service and retiree) exclusive access to savings of up to 50% at 850,000 locations -- including more than 21,200 New York State deals. If you have not already done so, head over to [mbdeals.enjoymydeals.com](https://mbdeals.enjoymydeals.com) to create your account with your NYSUT ID number, preferred email address, and password.

You'll then be eligible to save on restaurant dine-in or take-out, flowers and gift baskets, Bose electronics, clothing and shoes, oil changes and vehicle maintenance, sporting events, hotels and flights, car rentals, theme parks, movie tickets, and much more. Members are encouraged to download the MB Discounts & Deals mobile app for the best user experience with this program.

Check out all your union membership has to offer!



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