



ATTENTION MEMBERS: Notice of Nomination and Elections

AFT College Staff Guild Local 1521A Elections for 2023 CFT Convention Delegates

The AFT Staff Guild Local 1521A is conducting elections to elect delegates to attend the CFT Convention.

The CFT Convention Delegate election will be conducted district-wide using electronic voting.

Any Member in good standing may seek to run and serve as a CFT convention delegate.

CFT Delegate Elections:

Those elected to serve as CFT Delegate will represent AFT Staff Guild 1521A members at the California Federation of Teachers Convention scheduled for [Friday, March 17 - through Sunday, March 19, 2023](#), at the [Westin St. Francis](#) located on San Francisco's downtown Union Square.

The election for convention delegates will be conducted on a district-wide basis; for example, any member may nominate another regardless of chapter in accordance with eligibility rules.

Dues-paying members can participate in the CFT elections; see eligibility details to the right.

Your Chapter Designation:

On the mailing label used to send you this notification, we printed the chapter/home office assignment the Guild has on file for each member; this is the chapter you will receive a ballot for. If the location is not accurate, please notify the Staff Guild office by calling the Guild office at 323-851-1521 or emailing gheidenreich@aft1521a.org no later than [February 2, 2023](#).

For Members with Multiple Assignments:

If you work multiple assignments, the one where the majority of your work is done, or your home office designation is the chapter you will be assigned for this election. Please check that designation on your mailer as described above.

If you work multiple assignments that are equally distributed across multiple worksites, you must contact the Guild office via email to Glen Heidenreich at gheidenreich@aft1521a.org or calling the Guild office at 323-851-1521 no later than [February 2, 2023](#), to declare which chapter election you wish to participate in. ONLY members with assignments that are equally distributed across multiple chapters may declare which chapter election they will participate in.

The maximum number of CFT Delegates for the 2023 CFT Convention shall be 26 as approved by the Guild Executive Board.

Eligibility Rules:

To Make Nominations:

Dues-paying members may make nominations for CFT delegates. Unit 1 employees must have a membership application on file by [February 2, 2023](#) at 11:59 p.m. to be eligible to nominate someone.

To Be a Nominee/Candidate:

Members in good standing, defined as having fully paid on all financial obligations to the Staff Guild for one year preceding the election are eligible to be nominated and run for a position. Nominees must be members in good standing between [February 2, 2022 and February 2, 2023](#) to be a nominee/candidate.

To Vote:

Dues-paying members are eligible to vote for CFT convention delegates. Unit 1 employees must have a Membership application on file with the Staff Guild by 11:59 p.m. on [February 2, 2023](#) to be eligible to vote.

NOMINATIONS:

Nominations Must Be Received No Later than **11:59 p.m., Monday, February 6, 2023.**

Members interested in serving as a delegate for the CFT statewide convention or nominating another member as a delegate must notify the Staff Guild of their intent for self-nominations or nomination of another person. Submit nominations in writing via email (gheidenreich@aft1521a.org), Fax (323) 851- 8572, Courier, or U.S. Mail no later than **11:59 p.m., Monday, February 6, 2023.**

When submitting a nomination include your full name, the name of the person you are nominating or if you are nominating yourself, your chapter, and state your intention to serve as a CFT Convention delegate.

***** Please secure the approval of the member you are nominating prior to submitting the nomination. *****

ELECTRONIC VOTING PROCESS:

Due to the short window in which this election must be conducted, the Guild's Executive Board has approved the option for use of electronic voting.

Ballots shall be placed using electronic voting. There will be a two-day window to cast your electronic vote! To be counted, ballots MUST be received by 11:59p.m., Wednesday, February 22, 2023. Ballots will be counted on February 23, 2023, and uncertified results published that day. A certification vote on the results will be held by the Executive Board at the next regularly scheduled Executive Board meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact the AFT College Staff Guild at (323) 851-1521. Election rules can be found on AFT1521A.org.

AFT College Staff Guild Local 1521A Elections for CFT Convention Delegates Timeline

Thursday, January 12 th	Executive Board approves timelines
Tuesday, January 17 th	Notice of Nomination & Elections sent to members
Tuesday, January 31 st	Nominations Open
Tuesday, January 31 st through Monday, February 6 th	Nominations: Members interested in running for office must notify the Staff Guild of their intent in writing via email to gheidenreich@aft1521a.org , Courier, U.S. Mail or Fax (323) 851-8572, no later than 11:59 p.m., Monday, February 6 th , 2023
Thursday, February 2 nd	Deadline to file a Staff Guild membership application and be eligible to vote
Thursday, February 9 th	Deadline at 11:59 pm for receipt of candidate nomination acceptance and signing of election rules
Monday, February 13 th	Notice/Posting of candidate names (guild website, etc.)
Tuesday, February 21 st & Wednesday, February 22 nd	Electronic Voting for CFT Delegates OPENS 9:00 am, Tuesday, February 21, 2023. Online Voting CLOSSES 5:00 pm, Wednesday, February 22, 2023.
Thursday, February 23 rd	Posting of election results announced and posted on the guild website, etc.

Descriptions of CFT Delegate Positions Open for Nomination and Election

CFT STATE CONVENTION DELEGATE: Delegates to the CFT National Convention will serve as voting delegates to the CFT National Convention in March 2023.

Delegates are voting members at the Convention. Delegates participate in convention committees and will vote on resolutions, constitution and bylaws amendments, and the election of the CFT President, Secretary-Treasurer, Executive Vice President and Vice Presidents.

<https://www.cft.org/convention-2023>

A Note About Electronic Voting

Eligible Voters will be sent emails via the email address you provided to AFT Staff Guild 1521A. The email will come from AAAElections@adr.org.

To Ensure the Election website is not blocked, the following domains need to be allowed:

- <https://electionsaaa.org>
- <https://wwwelectionsaaa.org>

Guild members may need to check their spam folders for election information from AAA if it does not appear in their main email bin.

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