

Local 1075

September 2023

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Membership Meeting Dates:

November 9th
January 11th
March 14th
May 9th



Moms Banning Books

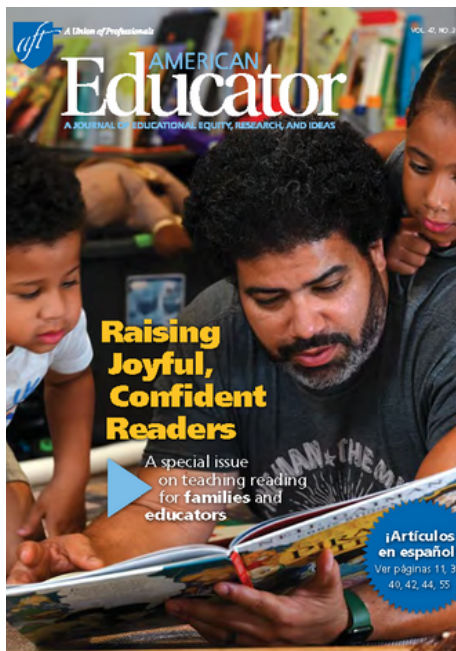
As of now, there aren't any Moms for Liberty chapters yet in our state. Be happy about this. The group has recently been labeled an extremist organization by the Southern Poverty Law Center.

This label is warranted. For example, prominent members have close ties to the Proud Boys, QAnon, and white Christian nationalists. A chapter in Indiana recently quoted Adolf Hitler. Another chapter in Tennessee demanded the removal of "The Story of Ruby Bridges" among other texts, claiming they promoted anti-white and anti-American instruction. At their "Joyful Warriors Summit" the group featured an anti-Muslim activist and other politicians that are famous for their stances against the LGBTQ communities. Let's hope they stay out of RI.

The Latest From AFT's American Educator

American Educator is the professional journal of the American Federation of Teachers, covering research and ideas from early childhood through higher education. AFT's American Educator presents a wide range of articles on curriculum and instruction; social and emotional development; the science of how students learn; the high school to college transition; history, civics, and democracy; diversifying the teaching profession, among many other topics. *(Continued next page)*

CTA Newsletter



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In case you missed it, here is the link to the current issue of **AFT's American Educator**, Journal of Education, Equity, Research and Ideas. This issue is full of articles based on current evidence and leading researchers in literacy and language. Looking for articles on other topics? All issues of AFT's American Educator dating back to 1984 can be found [here](#).

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AFTAction: Support the PRO Act

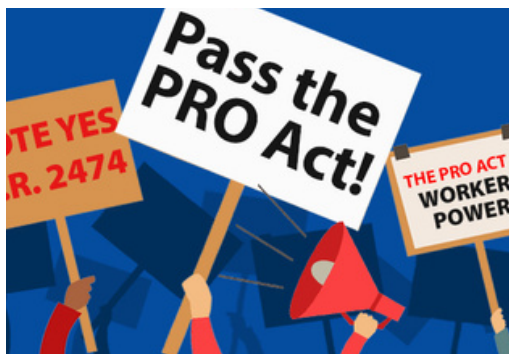
Protecting the Right to Organize (PRO) Act, which would restore the right of workers to freely and fairly form a union and bargain together for changes in the workplace.

If passed, the PRO Act would:

1. *Penalize predatory corporations that violate workers' rights.*
2. *Strengthen the right to strike.*
3. *Ensure corporations actually reach a contract with new unions.*
4. *Protect workers against coercive captive audience meetings.*

The PRO Act gives private sector workers a voice on the job by making it easier to bargain for fair pay and working conditions. This bill recognizes that all workers deserve the fundamental right to form a union.

[Click here for the online form.](#)



Coming Soon!!!

Rhode Island Federation of Teachers and Health Professionals (RIFTHP) has been busy planning for a Fall PD series presented by state AFT-PD leaders for union members. The RIFT PD sessions will highlight various topics and content, and will be offered for PLUs.

Once information and registration details become available, I will send it to you through e-mail. If there are questions about this PD, or other CTA PD please contact me directly at tooheykayesusan@coventryschools.net.



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