

# WHY MPE?

## Your MPE membership includes...

- PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY PROTECTION OF \$2,000,000
- LEGAL ASSISTANCE RELATED TO EMPLOYMENT OR PROFESSIONAL MATTERS PER MPE POLICY
- \$10,000 ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT
- \$2,500 ASSAULT RELATED PROPERTY DAMAGE
- CONSISTENT AND ECONOMICAL DUES- MPE HAS NOT INCREASED DUES IN 12 YEARS
- IDENTITY THEFT COVERAGE
- GRADUATE & UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED ANNUALLY
- NBCT SCHOLARSHIPS
- NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL SCHOLARSHIPS
- STUDENT LOAN PAYMENT CONTEST
- COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CHILDREN OF MEMBERS
- CLASSROOM GRANT OPPORTUNITIES
- FREE REGIONAL TRAININGS
- BRIGHTVIEW CREDIT UNION MEMBERSHIP
- Optional group discounts...
- WORKING ADVANTAGE DISCOUNT PROGRAM
- LONG-TERM CARE COVERAGE
- SAFECO AUTO & HOME INSURANCE
- VISION & DENTAL BENEFITS

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## MPE

is the premier organization for professional educators in Mississippi. MPE offers a premium package of services and benefits for the best price. MPE is the state's largest organization for professional educators with nearly 13,000 teachers, administrators, and support personnel, serving members in pre-K through graduate education.



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## A Message From our President, Devin Walsh

In my opinion, the only thing more challenging than being an educator today is attempting to do it without the support of other like-minded professionals. As a member of MPE for 18 years, I have found this support and so much more! Over 13,000 educators across the state of Mississippi enjoy benefits such as regional trainings, classroom grants and scholarships that help them improve their craft and learn how to better meet the needs of their students. Having professional liability protection gives our members peace of mind and it's comforting to know that MPE is just a phone call away if a difficult situation related to their employment arises. The dues are very reasonable and the fact that they haven't been increased in over a decade shows the organization's commitment to educators. These are just a few of the many reasons to join. Whether you are a teacher, administrator, retiree or part of the support personnel, there's a place for you in MPE. We are stronger together! I hope you choose to become a member. I know you will be glad you did! I am extremely proud to belong to Mississippi Professional Educators and I am honored to serve as your President.

*Devin D. Walsh*

## MPE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### MEMBER TYPE

- PROFESSIONAL \$120
- COUPLES \$200
- FIRST YEAR PROFESSIONAL \$90  
(MPE Student member renewing as Professional-applies to first year dues only)
- NON-CERTIFIED OR PART-TIME \$60
- STUDENT TEACHER \$14
- RETIRED EDUCATOR w/o INSURANCE \$10
- LIFETIME RETIREE (one-time charge) \$70

- ONE YEAR MEMBERSHIP** (Lump sum payment)  
Check, money order or credit card (enter CC number below)

### MONTHLY PAYMENT OPTIONS

Professional.....\$10.50 First Year Professional.....\$7.75  
Couples.....\$17.00 Non-cert or Part-time.....\$5.25

- MONTHLY BANK DRAFT (withdrawal from checking acct)  
Please enclose a VOIDED check
- MONTHLY RECURRING PAYMENT (from credit/debit card)

CREDIT/DEBIT CARD (please enter 16 digits)

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EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ CVV# \_\_\_\_\_

Dr. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ / /  
Mrs. Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST NAME (Please Print) MIDDLE LAST NAME DOB

ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

WORK PHONE CELL PHONE

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### MEMBER CATEGORY

- ADMINISTRATOR
- ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
- ASSISTANT TEACHER
- CLERICAL
- LICENSED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER
- LIBRARIAN/COUNSELOR
- PART-TIME TEACHER
- PRINCIPAL
- PROFESSOR
- PROGRAM COORDINATOR/DIRECTOR
- RETIRED EDUCATOR
- STUDENT TEACHER
- TEACHER
- OPE  OREG  OSPED  OVOC  OTHER
- OTHER/CERTIFIED
- OTHER/NON-CERTIFIED

SCHOOL NAME (students: college or university attending)

SCHOOL DISTRICT (students: college or university attending)

SCHOOL COUNTY

SUBJECT/GRADE(S) TAUGHT

RECRUITED BY

- ARE YOU AN NBCT?  YES  NO
- HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF MPE?  YES  NO
- HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE YOUR MPE JOURNAL?  EMAIL  US MAIL

Note: MPE will not provide coverage to new or reactivated members for incidents for which member had actual, constructive, or other notice at the time of joining or reactivation.

Please remit completed application to: MPE • P.O. Box 22550 • Jackson, MS 39225-2550



MPE's liability insurance and employment rights protection package helps free you from worries about job security so you can concentrate on performing and growing as a professional. No one ever expects to face legal problems as a professional educator, but it happens. The staff and attorneys that serve you through MPE have many years of experience and are just a toll free call away and stand ready to serve you.

### What happens if I have an employment related problem?

Simply pick up the phone and call our office at (800) 523-0269 to speak with your Executive Director. If you have problems or questions about employment that involve salary, dismissal, contract non-renewal, or actions involving suspension, cancellation, or revocation of licensure by the State Board of Education, you should speak with the Executive Director to confirm that an attorney is needed and appropriate at the time. MPE works with attorneys that have extensive experience with problems like the

one you face. Failure to provide advance or timely notice could result in denial of benefits.

### What activities are covered by the insurance policy that covers eligible MPE members?

MPE's policy covers activities of eligible members in the course of their duties of employment with an educational institution or activities in an accredited teacher education program. This includes assigned duty outside the regular school day or term.

### Who is covered by the policy written for MPE members?

Covered members include eligible professional and non-certified members in their employment by an accredited educational institution. Covered members also include student teacher members or interns enrolled in an educational preparation program in an accredited college or university engaged in student teaching and/or field experience.

