

# COPE

Committee on Political Education  
Political Power for Higher Education Teachers!



Organizing for Quality Education



"I see COPE as the way to create political power for educators in higher education. My COPE contributions help educators have a strong political voice that fights for public

education and informs politicians of the importance of fully-funding community colleges for quality education."

Andrea Adlman  
FT Faculty & AFT Member, VC

## Support COPE Today!

Questions? Call (805)650-8035!

### Stop Cuts to Public Education

The continuing cuts to public education will have a devastating impact on our campuses and our community of learners.

## We Are Fighting Back!

AFT Local 1828 members are:

- lobbying their trustees
- taking action locally & in Sacramento
- holding politicians accountable
- reaching out to voters
- and contributing to COPE

*COPE gives us the power to fight back and make a difference in public education. Together our contributions to COPE will build a stronger political local union and help defend public education.*



### AFT Local 1828 Membership & COPE Authorization Form

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

CAMPUS \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION/AREA \_\_\_\_\_ (Please Circle One) FT or PT

PLEASE CHECK ONE

- \$5 per month to COPE
- \$10 per month to COPE
- \_\_\_\_\_ per month to COPE

**AFT Volunteer Opportunities:**

- Contact me!**  
I want to get active!

I hereby authorize the Ventura County Community College District to deduct from my paycheck the monthly dues of the Ventura County Federation of College Teachers, AFT, Local 1828 and my designated COPE contribution. I understand this authorization will remain in effect until further notice unless changed or terminated by me on thirty days' notice to the District Payroll Office and the Ventura County Federation of College Teachers, AFT, Local 1828.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to campus mailbox: MC – Renee Fraser OC – Karen Beatty VC – Perry Martin

(or US mail to: AFT, Local 1828, 1757 Mesa Verde Avenue, Suite 250, Ventura, CA 93003) 10-2014 cat opeiu 537 afl-cio-clc

# Ventura County Federation of College Teachers, American Federation of Teachers, Local 1828

**REGULAR MEMBERSHIP:** Currently \$135.56\*/mo. for 10 months for full-time faculty and \$38.29\*/mo. for part-time faculty. Regular members enjoy the full benefits of membership in the Local, CFT and AFT:

- \$1,000,000 Occupational Liability Insurance
- \$25,000 Accidental Death/Dismemberment Insurance
- Health Care Savings – Dental, Vision & Prescriptions
- Access to Group-Rate Insurance – Life, Home & Auto
- Discount Purchasing – Travel, Entertainment, Dining, Auto, Books, Magazines, Music, Flowers, Health Club Memberships, Pet Insurance and More!
- Free Subscriptions to CFT and AFT Publications
- Legal Services – 1/2 Hour Free Legal Consultations, Document Review, Follow-up Services and More!
- Financial Services – Mortgage Program, Personal & Student Loans, Union Credit Card and More!
- The Political Clout and Legal Strength of AFT/CFT/AFL-CIO

**COPE:** The Federation's Committee on Political Education solicits public support and lobbies public officials for policies favorable to education. It also works to elect candidates -- especially VCCCD Board candidates -- who are committed to sound educational values and who are sensitive to faculty concerns. Just a few dollars\*\* per month invested in COPE yields incalculable returns.

\*Dues are subject to increase in organizational per capita and negotiated salary increase percentages. Dues paid to AFT, Local 1828 may not be deductible for federal income tax purposes; however, under limited circumstances, dues may qualify as a business expense.

\*\*Contributions for COPE to AFT, Local 1828 are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

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## Why not be a member of the AFT and receive FULL BENEFITS?

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What you get as a

### Fee Payer

Pay a fee for services the AFT is obligated to provide all employees in the bargaining unit.

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### Union Member

- The Right to Vote for Officers of the Local & Negotiated Employment Agreements
- \$1,000,000 Occupational Liability Insurance
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- Free Subscriptions to CFT and AFT Publications
- Legal Services – 1/2 Hour Free Legal Consultations, Document Review, Follow-up Services and More!
- Financial Services – Mortgage Program, Personal & Student Loans, Union Credit Card and More!
- Discounts to Theme Parks and other Family Entertainment
- The Political Clout and Legal Strength of the AFT/CFT/AFL-CIO

*It doesn't cost*

*to join AFT.*

*It pays!*

## Join the AFT Today!

## Make a Difference for Public Education!

## Support COPE!