June 10, 2020

MEMO TO: Buffalo Teachers

FROM: Philip Rumore, President, BTF

RE: Updates

Thought for the Day

Those who give up in important battles are losers.
Those who fight on are heroes.

Action now – You should be there

As you know, the BTF has organized and funded what we hope will be one of our largest gatherings.

Yes, the other issues we have demonstrated for were and are important. However, the fight to destroy what I call the “Racist, Bigotry and Injustice Virus” is a matter of life and death.

We will be joined by:
Reverend Mark Blue, President, NAACP
Crystal Barton, President, Buffalo Council of School Administrators
JoAnn Sweat, President, Buffalo Education Support Team
Aaron Armstrong, President, Professional Clerical Technical Employees Association
Freddie Smith, President, Transportation Aides of Buffalo
Shirley Sapp-Burgess, President, Substitutes United/Buffalo
A student – to be named at meeting
Michael Deely, Regional Director, NYSUT
The organization Peace Keepers will also be present.

Where: Martin Luther King Park Casino (in front of wading pool)

When: Thursday, June 11, 2020

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Inquiries - lrauer@btfny.org - attention: Phil Rumore

Let’s show the community that Buffalo teachers are united with all those who will Destroy the Racist Bigotry and Injustice virus.
Please wear your BTF shirts, stickers, etc.

Let's do it!!

**APPR – Probational Appointments – Governor’s Action**

The following was established by Governor Cuomo:

- “Section 3012(d) of the Education Law and Subpart 30-3 of Title 8 of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to exempt school districts from completing annual professional performance reviews of classroom teachers and building principals during the 2019-20 school year without withholding any apportionment of funds for the general support of public schools for which a school district is otherwise entitled; and

- Sections §§2509, 2573, 3012 and 3014 of the Education Law, to the extent necessary to allow a board of education or the trustees of a common school district, only upon specific agreement, to appoint on tenure those classroom teachers and building principals recommended by the superintendent of schools who are in the final year of the probationary period, have received the previous requisite annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to §3012-d of the education law and would have been in their discretion qualified for appointment on tenure based upon past performance, notwithstanding that their annual professional performance review had not been completed and they had not received the necessary effectiveness rating for the 2019-20 school year, or to allow such board of education or trustees of a common school district to extend such determination for an additional year.

We will update you as information is forthcoming.
Join the
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To Destroy the

Racist Bigotry and Injustice
VIRUS

Buffalo Teachers Federation – BTF
Buffalo Council of School Administrators – BCSA
Buffalo Educational Support Team – BEST
Professional Clerical Technical Employees Association - PCTEA
Substitutes United of Buffalo – SU/B
Transportation Aides of Buffalo – TAB
New York State United Teachers – NYSUT

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Masks and Social Distancing Required