

Pension E-News



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2020 Teacher Trustee Election Notice

This fall, CTPF will hold an election for:

- Two (2) Teacher Trustees to serve three-year terms from November 2020-2023

Teacher Trustee Candidate Eligibility

Individuals who wish to run for office must meet the following criteria as of October 1, 2020:

1. Be a CTPF Member, other than a Principal/Administrator, as defined by the Illinois Pension Code (40 ILCS5/17-106);
2. Have been assigned on a regular certificate for at least 10 years in the Chicago Public Schools or Charter schools within District 299 (this includes anyone who is licensed and has worked in the Chicago Public Schools or Charter Schools for at least 10 years on a regular certificate, including as a substitute); and
3. Be nominated by a petition signed by at least 200 contributors who are not Principal/Administrators, as provided in 40 ILCS 5/17- 139(1).

Nomination Packets

Nomination packets are now available. Contact Gail Davis: 312.604.1400, ext. 402, or email elections@ctpf.org to request a packet.

Submitting Completed Nomination Packets

A candidate's signed nomination petition(s) must be received by the Election Coordinator or his/her designee, on behalf of the Recording Secretary, by hand-delivery, U.S. Mail, email, or facsimile. The Fund reserves the right to request a candidate's original nomination petitions. Completed nomination packets must be returned to CTPF between September 16 and October 1, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., (CT). Nominating petitions received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Candidate Resume and Photo

A candidate resume and photo must be submitted to the Election Coordinator, on behalf of the Recording



Secretary, via email at elections@ctpf.org, by October 1, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. (CT).

Eligibility Criteria for Voters

Teachers who are not administrators shall be eligible to vote for Teacher Trustees in accordance with Sections 17-138 and 139. Every Member must have obtained that voter eligibility status on or before October 1, 2020.

Schedule of Election Events

February 18	Nomination packets available.
September 15	Last day to request nomination packets. Packets must be requested by 5:00 p.m. (CT).
September 16	First day for Teacher Trustee candidates to submit completed nomination packets.
October 1	Last day to submit nomination packets. Completed nomination packets due at 5:00 p.m. (CT).
October 30	Voting credentials to be distributed in schools.
November 2-6	Online voting available through November 6, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. (CT).
November 6	Voting closes at 5:00 p.m. (CT).
November 19	Trustees sworn in during CTPF Board of Trustees meeting.

2020 Retirement Seminar Registration

If you're considering retirement in 2020, please join the Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund (CTPF) for a retirement seminar. Seminars provide a one-stop-shop for retirement information, including a general overview of the CTPF and CPS retirement processes. CTPF's Member Services Department will be available at all seminars to answer individual questions, assist with completing forms, and provide notary services.

Registration for the seminars is required. [Click here to register for a seminar.](#)



April 7, 2020

Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund
425 S. Financial Place, 3rd Floor Conference Center
Chicago, IL 60605-1000
9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
Discounted (\$17) and valet (\$15) parking available.

[Click Here](#)

The registration confirmation will include additional information about transportation and parking options. [Click here to learn more about visiting CTPF.](#)

CTPF Celebrates Quasquicentennial Anniversary in 2020

The Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund (CTPF) will celebrate its quasquicentennial (125th anniversary) throughout 2020. CTPF will commemorate this milestone of serving members, constituents, and citizens of Illinois with distinction.

The quasiquicentennial provides a unique opportunity to reflect on the rich history of the Fund, and renew CTPF's commitment to helping teachers from the very first day to the very last and beyond.



Call for Photos and Reflections

As part of the 2020 celebration, the Fund is seeking photos and memories/reflections of CTPF educators, with a goal of obtaining a photo from each of the past 125 years. Do you have a photo of yourself at work in your classroom or work space? Or even a parent or grandparent? Please share them with us. We'd also like to collect words of wisdom and thoughts about teaching. [Read more here.](#)

How to share your story with CTPF:

1. Email a photo of yourself in your work environment to communications@ctpf.org.
2. Please include your name, school, and year taken (approximate is fine).
3. Submissions may be shared in a special slideshow and on social media (full name will not be used).
4. Please briefly share your favorite classroom story, best practices in education, or words of wisdom for the next generation of teachers or retirees. [Click here to send your words of wisdom](#)

Town Hall Webinar

CTPF Executive Director, Charles A. Burbridge, will offer a [Town Hall webinar](#) on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 4:30 p.m. The program will offer a quarterly update and overview of your Pension Fund. Topics that will be covered include a quarterly financial update, a look at plans for our 125th Anniversary Celebration, and a review of important dates and information for members considering retirement in 2020.

The webinar will last about 45 minutes.



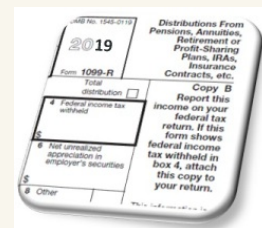
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1099-R Mailings

Form 1099-R reports the distribution of pension benefits. CTPF mailed Form 1099-R to all retired members on January 31, 2020.

Security Enhancement for 1099-R Forms

As an added security measure, Social Security numbers on 1099-R forms issued in 2020 will be truncated (**_*-**-1234). Replacing the first five numbers with asterisks will help protect member personal identifying information in accordance with Internal Revenue Service protocols. The electronic Form 1099-R sent to the Internal Revenue Service will include the full nine-digit Social Security number for matching purposes.



Snowbirds: File a Temporary Change of Address

Are you a snowbird enjoying winter in a warmer climate? Make sure you file a temporary change of address form with CTPF. Address changes cannot be made over the phone.

CTPF is Hiring

Looking for a change in the new year? Do you know a recent graduate or experienced professional seeking employment? Our Chicago-based group is looking for qualified candidates with a variety of abilities and skills. Multiple positions are available. Competitive salary & benefits. CTPF is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Apply today or encourage your friends and colleagues to visit ctpf.org/jobs.



Pension Payment Schedule

The schedule for mailing checks and direct deposit dates through June is listed below [Click here](#) for the full schedule.

Month	Last Day to Submit an Address or Tax Withholding Change	Check Mailing Date	Direct Deposit Date
March 2020	February 12, 2020	February 27, 2020	March 2, 2020
April 2020	March 16, 2020	March 30, 2020	April 1, 2020
May 2020	April 15, 2020	April 29, 2020	May 1, 2020
June 2020	May 13, 2020	May 28, 2020	June 1, 2020

Employer Contribution Reporting

Each pay period, Employers remit employee pension contributions to CTPF. Illinois law requires that these contributions be made within a certain time period. If the Employer does not send the funds within the required time, penalties may be assessed. Recognizing the importance of informing members of Employers who are late in making their employee contributions, the Board directed CTPF staff to publish a listing of delinquent employers. [Find a copy of the most recent list here.](#)

CTPF Features

Retired Members: Are You Redefining Retirement?



What are you doing to stay active, creative, engaged, and involved in your retirement?

Email your story about how your retirement is unique to socialmedia@ctpf.org and we may contact you for a Redefining Retirement feature.

Active Members: Does Your School Shine?



What is your school doing to be creative, innovative, and to make a difference for students and faculty?

Email your story about how your school stands out to socialmedia@ctpf.org and we may contact you for a School Spotlight feature.

Whistleblower Reporting Notice



The Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund (CTPF) has a whistleblower reporting hotline where complaints may be submitted through an interview, anonymously, or self-identified. The hotline is available for CTPF members, employees, and other parties who engage with CTPF. Complaints may also be submitted online, emailed, or faxed. Find more information at ctpf.org/whistleblower-reporting.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All current meeting dates, office information, and upcoming event information can be found on the CTPF Calendar at ctpf.org/calendar.

STAY CONNECTED & SPREAD THE WORD

CTPF will continue to share information at ctpf.org on social media, in E-Lerts, and in *E-News*. Please consider forwarding this email to a friend who may be a fellow pensioner.



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