

Missouri Retired Teachers Association Membership Application

Annual MRTA Membership\$35.00
 Life Membership\$500
 New Membership
 Renewal of Membership
 PSRS Retiree (teacher)\$15.00
 PEERS Retiree (support personnel)
 Associate Member\$15.00
 (Anyone who is not a member of PSRS/PEERS, Kansas City or St. Louis Retirement Systems.)

Name _____ Birth Date _____
 Street _____ Apt. No. _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 E-mail address _____ Phone (____) _____
 School District Retired From _____ Local MRTA Unit (if known) _____

You may join MRTA securely online at www.morta.org

Make check payable to: MRTA
 3030 Dupont Circle
 Jefferson City, MO 65109

MRTA Mission Statement

The Missouri Retired Teachers Association and Public School Personnel organized in 1960 is the only educational organization in Missouri working exclusively for retired school personnel. MRTA will work actively with government and its entities for beneficial legislation. We shall strive to increase membership until all retirees become members, and always foster good fellowship. We will encourage members to be involved in community affairs and work for worthy educational causes. Our mission is to serve and not to be served.

MRTA Vision

The Missouri Retired Teachers Association and Public School Personnel is a caring, active, and knowledgeable community. Members give their talents and time to support retired and active public school employees. Members strive to uphold and improve the integrity, value, and mission of our public schools, so that all school personnel may live healthy, vital lives and be secure economically, socially and professionally in retirement.

For 49 years, the public school retiree has been the #1 priority at MRTA.

“To be a member of MRTA brings with it ‘Peace of Mind’ knowing that MRTA is working for retirees EVERY DAY!”



MRTA and Public School Personnel

MISSOURI RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
 3030 Dupont Circle
 Jefferson City, MO 65109
 Toll Free 1-877-366-6782 (MRTA)
 FAX (573) 634-4273

www.morta.org
 E-mail: MRTA@morta.org

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Missouri Retired Teachers Association and Public School Personnel



MRTA Members at the State Capitol for Legislative Days 2009

WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN

www.morta.org

MRTA is the Professional Association for Education Retirees

- MRTA's #1 priority is the Education Retiree
- MRTA is an Independent Association representing all Missouri Education Retirees
- MRTA is non-partisan and does not endorse political candidates

A Few of MRTA's Accomplishments

PSRS — Retired Educators (Certified)

- Thanks to MRTA all retired educators are now exempt from Missouri State income taxes up to \$32,500 per year — same as Social Security Retirees HB 444 (2007). Six year phase in, 2007: 20%; 2008: 35%; 2009: 50%; 2010: 65%; 2011: 80%; 2012: 100%
- MRTA was instrumental in defeating HB 808 (Vouchers/Education Tax Credits) (2007)
- MRTA sponsored legislation, which is now law, to stop the abusive practice of “Spiking” FAS SB 406 (2007)
- MRTA introduced legislation to increase COLA cap from 80% to 90% (2007)
- MRTA is working for the repeal of the GPO/WEP offset in social security (2007-2009)
- MRTA advocated a monthly increase of \$3 times the number of creditable years of service (2001)
- MRTA advocated 3.5% across-the-board increase for retirees and beneficiaries (2000)
- MRTA advocated \$5000 death benefit (1999)
- MRTA advocated a monthly increase of \$5 times the number of creditable years of service (1999)
- MRTA advocated 8.7% annual across-the-board increase for retirees and beneficiaries (1998)
- MRTA has been instrumental in lobbying for annual COLA increases since 1975; increased to 80% in 2000

PEERS — Retired Support Personnel (Classified)

- Thanks to MRTA all retired support personnel are exempt from Missouri State income taxes up to \$32,500 per year — same as Social Security Retirees HB 444 (2007). Six year phase in, 2007: 20%; 2008: 35%; 2009: 50%; 2010: 65%; 2011: 80%; 2012: 100%
- MRTA was instrumental in defeating HB 808 (Voucher/Education Tax Credits) (2007)
- MRTA advocated legislation, which is now law, to stop the abusive practice of “Spiking” FAS SB 406 (2007)
- MRTA advocated name change of NTRS to PEERS (Public Education Employees Retirement System) HB 443 (2005)
- MRTA advocated lifetime COLA increase to 80% (2000)
- MRTA worked for the 7.1% across-the-board increase for PEERS retirees (2001)
- MRTA instrumental in increased level income option .4% until age 62 for PEERS retirees (2000)
- MRTA advocated the increased multiplier to 1.51% (2000)
- MRTA advocated the across-the-board 3.4% increase for PEERS retirees (2000)
- MRTA advocated the 7.4% across-the-board increase (1999)



www.morta.org

Join Now and Be Counted!

MRTA has strength in numbers

- Organized — 1960
- MRTA/AARP Affiliate
- Members — 17,500
- Local Units — 124
- State Regions — 14
- Regional and local unit meetings
- Informative Newsletters
- State Leadership Workshop (Spring)
- State Annual Meeting
- Sponsors Retired Teachers Day (2nd Wednesday in June)
- Branson Fun Day (Fall)
- MRTA Distinguished Retiree of the Year



MRTA Member discounts

(see www.morta.org)

- \$1,000,000 Classroom Liability coverage for only \$17.25/year
- Drury Hotels Discount
- Essex Dental Insurance
- Long Term Care, Medicare Supplement and Vision Insurance
- Prepaid Legal Service & Identity Theft Protection

- *MRTA is the “Watchdog” for Your Retirement Benefits*
- *MRTA Maintains and Improves Your Retirement Benefits*
- *MRTA is a Small Investment for a Strong Voice in the State Capitol*