

NOTICE OF ORANGE COUNTY CLASSROOM TEACHERS ASSOCIATION NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS 2025 ELECTION CYCLE

Elections for CTA Officers, Directors, and Delegates to the National Education Association (NEA) Representative Assembly and Florida Education Association (FEA) Delegate Assembly have been set to be conducted by mail ballot to be sent to eligible CTA Members during the week of February 10, 2025. Ballots will be mailed to CTA Member's home addresses on February 10, 2025. Ballots must be returned to the P.O. Box, indicated on the pre-paid postage envelope provided, by no later than 11 a.m., March 7, 2025 and will be counted in a meeting, open to candidates or their designated observer on March 7, 2025, at the Orange County Supervisor of Elections, 119 West Kaley Street, Orlando, Florida 32806, beginning at 12:00 pm. Results will be announced at the conclusion of voting on March 7, 2025 posted on the CTA Website within 2 working days.

Members who have questions may contact CTA at: ctavote2025@gmail.com

*All candidates nominated must sign below certifying that they accept the nomination. In order to vote in a CTA election, an individual must be a dues-paying member in good standing for sixty (60) days prior to the election. CTA members in good standing are eligible to vote in accordance with the CTA Election and Campaign Guidelines for the Orange County CTA Officers, Directors and Delegate Nominations and Elections 2025. Forms and Guidelines may be found on the CTA website: https://www.orangecta.com/2025-occta-elections/ and may be downloaded and/or copied as needed.

NOMINATION FORM (Eligible Candidates may simultaneously run for Officer or Director Seat and Delegate Positions)

Employee	#:	
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_____ Cell Phone #:_____

Personal Email Address: _____

I am running for the following position(s) CHECK ALL THAT APPLY (see page 2 & 3 for position descriptions):

Officers and Directors shall be elected by May 1st to serve a three (3) year term in accordance with the CTA Constitution and Bylaws. The term of office shall commence on July 1st immediately following the election and end on June 30th three (3) years later. Any CTA member in good standing in accordance with the CTA Constitution and Bylaws may run for Officer or Director seat.

President*	Elementary School Director (3)*
Vice President*	Technical Center Director (1)*
Secretary*	Special Education Director (1)*
Treasurer*	At Large Director (2)*
High School Director (2)*	Itinerant Instructional Personnel Director (1)*
Middle School and K-8 Director (3)*	* PETITION SIGNATURE FORM REQURIED

<u>National Education Association (NEA) Representative Assembly Delegate (22 positions), Portland, OR, July 2-</u> 6, 2025.

Florida Education Association (FEA) Delegate Assembly Delegate (140 positions), Orlando, FL, October 10-11, 2025.

**I hereby certify that I am a candidate and eligible to run for the position(s) that I have marked above and agree to serve if elected.

Signature: ___

Print Name_____

Date:

Original Nomination Forms must be received no later than 6:00 pm on Thursday, January 30, 2025: VIA MAIL or personal delivery to: CTA Elections Committee, 1020 Webster Avenue, Orlando, FL 32804 or VIA OCPS Courier Address: CTA Teachers Union – Attention: CTA Elections Committee Questions should be directed to the CTA Elections Committee at: <u>ctavote2025@gmail.com</u>



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President

The President shall serve as a local delegate to the FEA, AFT, and NEA conventions or assemblies, and as a member of the FEA Governance Board, by virtue of election to the office of President, beginning with the 2022 Election of CTA Officers and Directors.

Vice-President

The Vice-President shall serve as a local delegate to the FEA, AFT, and NEA, conventions or assemblies, and as a member of the FEA Governance Board, by virtue of election to the office of Vice-President, beginning with the 2022 Election of CTA Officers and Directors.

Secretary

The Secretary shall serve as a member of the FEA Governance Board by virtue of election to the office of Secretary beginning with the 2022 Election of CTA Officers and Directors.

Treasurer

The Treasurer shall serve as a member of the FEA Governance Board by virtue of election to the office of Treasurer, provided an additional FEA Governance Board position has been allocated, beginning with the 2022 Election of CTA Officers and Directors.

Directors

The Directors shall be elected by the total membership at large but must be currently assigned to the designated field of service at the time of nomination:

Directors elected to represent high school members (2) Directors elected to represent middle school and K-8 members (3) Directors elected to represent elementary school members (3) Director representing tech center members (1) Director representing members teaching special education (1) Directors representing members at large (2)

Director representing itinerant instructional personnel (1)

National Education Association (NEA) Representative Assembly State and Local Delegates, Portland, Oregon, (22), July 2-6, 2025 (1-year term)

NOTE: 3 State Delegates and 19 Local Delegate Positions open for a total of 22* positions.

The CTA President and Vice-President are automatic Delegates to the NEA Representative Assembly by virtue of election to the office of CTA President and Vice-President. The top three (3) Candidates with highest votes will be designated as State Delegates who will receive \$700 provided by FEA and up to \$800 in reimbursement from CTA if meeting requirements are met and receipts are turned in. The next (7) Candidates will be designated as Local Delegates and will receive up to \$1500 in reimbursement from CTA if convention meeting requirements are met and receipts are turned in. Any remaining candidates(s) elected as delegates may attend at their own expense. In the event that candidates are elected by acclimation, State Delegates and Local Delegates will be determined by drawing lots. If for any reason the Assembly is held on a virtual platform, no stipends or reimbursements will be issued. Any member in good standing in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws may run for Delegate(s) and may nominate themselves. Delegates to meetings, conventions, and assemblies of affiliate organizations shall be elected annually and must be members in good standing of CTA for at least two (2) years prior to being elected.

Florida Education Association (FEA) Delegate Assembly Delegate, Orlando, Rosen Centre Hotel, (140), October 10-11, 2025 (1-year term)

NOTE: 140 Delegate Positions open. The CTA President and Vice-President are automatic Delegates to the FEA Delegate Assembly by virtue of election to the office of CTA President and Vice-President. All FEA Delegates attending the Delegate Assembly may request reimbursement for up to \$80 for receipted meals, for the entire convention, in addition to reimbursement for mileage at the IRS rate, and parking (excluding valet parking). No lodging expenses will be reimbursed to FEA Delegates. One CTA Association Day will be provided to the top 20 Candidates with the highest votes, if necessary, and upon timely request. In the event that candidates are elected by acclimation, association days will be determined by drawing lots. If for any reason the Assembly is held on a virtual platform, no stipends or reimbursements will be issued. Any member in good standing in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws may run for Delegate(s) and may nominate themselves. Delegates to meetings, conventions, and assemblies of affiliate organizations shall be elected annually and must be members in good standing of CTA for at least two (2) years prior to being elected.



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No candidate for Officer or Director may seek to run for more than one Officer and/or Director position on the same ballot. Candidates for Officer or Director may choose to also run for one or multiple Affiliate Delegate Positions.

Candidates seeking to hold Affiliate Delegate position(s) may also run as a delegate to one or multiple Affiliate Delegations.

2025 Nominations and Election Timelines

December 16, 2024	Notice of call for nomination of delegates through ARs.			
	Notice of Election, Call of Nominations, and Election Timelines sent to members in good			
January 13, 2025	standing as of January 7, 2025.			
	Original Nomination Forms must be received at the CTA office no later than 6:00 pm.			
	Verified Candidates will be invited to the Candidate orientation. Ineligible Candidates			
January 30, 2025	will be notified by January 30, 2025.			
January 31, 2025	Candidate orientation meeting at the CTA office at 5:00 pm in person.			
February 6, 2025	Candidate statement, photo and flyer are due to CTA office by 5:00 pm.			
February 10, 2025	AR meeting: Candidate speeches.			
February 10, 2025	Ballots mailed to eligible CTA members.			
	Ballots must be returned to the P.O. Box indicated on the pre-paid envelope provided			
	no later than 11 am March 7, 2025. Ballot counting will begin at 12:00 pm. Candidates			
	or their designated observer may view the live tally at the Orange County Supervisor of			
March 7, 2025	Elections, 119 West Kaley Street, Orlando, Florida 32806.			
	Preliminary results will be reported to Candidates and the CTA Board of Directors at the			
	conclusion of ballot counting. Election results will be posted on the Website within two			
March 7, 2025	(2) working days of the election results (March 11, 2025).			
March 11, 2025	Deadline to file election challenge by 5:00 pm.			
	Run-Off Election Timeline (if necessary)			
March 12, 2025	Run-off announcement.			
March 14, 2025	Ballots mailed to eligible CTA members.			
	Ballots must be returned to the P.O. Box indicated on the pre-paid envelope provided,			
	no later than 11 am, April 8, 2025. Ballot counting will begin at 12:00 pm. Candidates or			
	their designated observer may view the tally at the Orange County Supervisor of			
April 10, 2025	Elections, 119 West Kaley Street, Orlando, Florida 32806.			
April 14, 2025	Deadline to file election challenges by 5:00 pm.			

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2025 Orange County CTA

Election Nomination Form – Petition Signatures for Officer and Director Candidates

To be nominated as candidate for **Director**, a candidate must declare the candidacy seat and submit to the Elections Committee a petition signed by twenty-five (25) members as defined in Article III, Section 2 of the CTA Constitution, who are of that constituency, from at least three (3) different work sites within at least fifteen (15) days following the notice of the opening of nominations.

To be nominated as a candidate for Officer, a candidate shall declare their candidacy by petition signed by twenty-five (25) members as defined in Article III, Section 2 of the CTA Constitution. Said petitions must be submitted to the Elections Committee within at least fifteen (15) days following the notice of the opening of nominations.

Name of Candidate:

Name of Slate (optional): ______ Position being nominated for: ______

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This form must accompany the Original Nomination Form for Officer and Director Candidates by January 30, 2025 Deadline.