

Let's Connect

A NEWSLETTER DESIGNED WITH SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS IN MIND

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THANK YOU!

Friday, November 18, 2022, is Substitute Teacher Day. This day honors the educators who are called upon to replace regularly employed teachers. The United States observes a Substitute Educator's Day, which was instituted by the National Education Association (NEA). The purpose of this day is to highlight the role and importance of the substitute teacher by providing information about, advocating for, and helping to increase appreciation and respect for this unique professional.

We want to recognize all you do for the students and districts you serve. You are appreciated more than you know!



WELCOME!

Welcome to a new school year! We trust it is off to a great start. It is hard to believe the holidays are right around the corner. Hopefully, you have had a chance to visit our new website www.OhioSTS.org.

If you have not, take a moment today and check it out. We designed it to be an all inclusive resource for you. Be sure to check back often, we will be adding more information to serve you better.

As we enter into the holiday season, we want to take a moment to wish you and your family Happy Holidays.

~ Your OSTS Partners

WORK TO WIN:

Once again, all substitute teachers who work ten (10) days or more in a month will be entered into a drawing to win a gift card courtesy of OSTS.. Your ten (10) days will be accumulative.

A total of three (3) winners will be chosen each month, one from each of the geographical areas in which OSTS serves.

Winners will be contacted directly and celebrated on OSTS social media.

SCHOOL CLOSURES:

Inclement weather will be upon us soon. For up to date information on school closings and delays, please log into your Absence Management account as postings are made as soon as we are notified.

Alternatively, check your local news/radio station for closings or delays.

RESOURCES FOR SUBSTITUTES:

STEDLorg is a great resource for substitutes. They offer a free newsletter that provides tips and ideas to improve your classroom management skills, increase professionalism, and share filler activities.

Use the link below to sign up for their newsletter.

https://stedi.org/subs/

The focus this month at STEDI.org is being prepared. Below are some helpful suggestions for a positive classroom experience.

One way substitute teachers can be prepared for the classroom is by putting together a *SubPack*. A *SubPack* is like an emergency kit for the classroom. The contents of a *SubPack* should be organized into four categories:

- Personal and Professional Items
- Classroom Supplies
- Rewards and Motivators
- Activity Materials.

The specific contents of your *SubPack* will be personalized to fit your teaching style and the grade levels you teach most often.

The following are some ideas of things to include in your *SubPack*:

Clipboard: Carrying a clipboard provides quick access to a seating chart, the roll, and anecdotal records, as well as creates a sense of authority. Disposable Gloves & Plastic Bags: Whenever you encounter blood or bodily fluids you should wear disposable gloves to help safeguard against any medical concerns. A plastic bag can be used in an emergency when you must dispose of items exposed to blood or bodily fluids.

Newspaper: A newspaper can be used as the basis for a story starter, spelling review, current events discussion, and a host of other activities

Tangrams: Tangrams are geometric shapes that can be used as filler activities, as well as instructional material to teach shapes and geometry

Tickets: Tickets are a great way to reward students for appropriate behavior. Students can use tickets to enter an end-of-the-day drawing or redeem them for special privileges and prizes.

PAY SCHEDULE:

Period Covered	Pay Date
1st day school - August 26, 2022	9/9/2022
August 29- September 9, 2022	9/23/2022
September 12 - September 23, 2022	10/7/2022
September 26 - October 7, 2022	10/21/2022
October 10 - October 21, 2022	11/4/2022
October 24 - November 4, 2022	11/18/2022
November 7 - November 18, 2022	12/2/2022
November 21 - December 2 2022	12/16/2022
December 5 - December 16, 2022	1/6/2023
December 19 - January 6, 2023	1/20/2023
January 9 - January 20, 2023	2/3/2023
January 23 - February 3, 2023	2/24/2023
February 6- February 24, 2023	3/10/2023
February 27 - March 10, 2023	3/24/2023
March 13 - March 24, 2023	4/7/2023
March 27 - April 7, 2023	4/21/2023
April 10 - April 21, 2023	5/5/2023
April 24 - May 5, 2023	5/19/2023
May 8 - May 19, 2023	6/9/2023
May 22 - June 4 or last day of school	6/23/2023

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