



## **Tennessee Staff Organization**

### TSO Letter of Support for NEASO

As the nation's largest teachers' union, NEA should be a leader in workers' rights and a champion for bargaining fair contracts---something they espouse in their communications to their members. The current lockout of NEASO members by NEA is not just disappointing; it is jarring and unconscionable. By locking out NEASO members, NEA has engaged in a practice utilized by the many bad actor school districts across the country which NEA's own members fight against. NEA's action has diminished themselves among the labor community and can no longer be considered the exemplar in bargaining fair contracts or worker protections. NEASO members are vital to the function and efficiency of the organization, supporting the more than three million members of NEA across the country. Tennessee Staff Organization condemns in the strongest possible terms NEA's actions. We stand in solidarity with NEASO and its members and urge NEA to end this lockout and bargain a fair contract.

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