

# WHY MPE?

## OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2011 - 2012

2011 - 2012 DUES	MPE	OTHER ORGANIZATIONS
Professional w/liability insurance	\$120	\$429* - \$492*
Couples w/liability insurance	\$200	-NA-
Non-Cert or Part-time w/insurance	\$60	\$232* - \$264*
Student Teacher w/insurance	\$14	\$10* - \$21*
Retired Educator w/o insurance	\$10	\$60*

\*May not include local dues

### And the benefits continue.....

PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY PROTECTION OF \$2,000,000

LEGAL ASSISTANCE RELATED TO EMPLOYMENT OR PROFESSIONAL MATTERS PER MPE POLICY

\$10,000 ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT

\$2,500 ASSAULT RELATED PROPERTY DAMAGE

IDENTITY THEFT COVERAGE

GRADUATE & UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED ANNUALLY

BRIGHTVIEW CREDIT UNION

MEMBER DISCOUNT PROGRAM

ENHANCED WEBSITE - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CLASSROOM RESOURCES

OPTIONAL LONG TERM CARE COVERAGE AT A DISCOUNTED RATE

GROUP DISCOUNT ON AUTO/HOME INSURANCE WITH LIBERTY MUTUAL

OPTIONAL DENTAL & VISION BENEFITS

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**MPE** is the premier organization for professional educators in Mississippi. MPE offers a premium package of services and benefits for the best price. MPE is the state's largest organization for professional educators with over 10,000 teachers, administrators, and support personnel, serving members in pre-K through graduate education.

### A Message from our President, Sonya Swafford

It is time to reclaim teaching as a professional career. Educators give of themselves tirelessly and many times, without any thanks. They are worthy to be honored. Educators shape minds, transform lives and inspire children to change the world.

The Mississippi Professional Educators (MPE) believes very strongly that educators should act as professionals and be treated as professionals. In today's world of technology, economic struggles and lawsuits, educators need liability insurance and employment rights protection to free them from the worries of job security so that they may concentrate on performing and growing as a professional. It is important that educators belong to a professional association not only to keep up with the most recent events in the education profession, but to have a voice in the education policy process.

MPE encourages our members' professional growth and provides scholarship opportunities for such growth. Our Board of Directors is comprised of primary and secondary teachers, administrators, and university and community college faculty, as well as retired teachers. MPE is an educator's "best buy," as we provide twice the amount of liability coverage provided by other educational associations for less than one third of the cost.



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*Sonya Swafford*

# MPE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Dr. Mr.  
Mrs. Ms.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DOB \_\_\_\_\_ LAST 4 OF SOCIAL SECURITY # \_\_\_\_\_ HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OF MPE?  YES  NO

SCHOOL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL DISTRICT (students: college or university attending) \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT/GRADE(S) TAUGHT \_\_\_\_\_ HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT MPE?  INTERNET SEARCH  NEWSPAPER  MPE JOURNAL  REPRESENTATIVE AT SCHOOL  MPE MEMBER  POSTCARD

RECRUITED BY \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMBER CATEGORY

- ADMINISTRATOR
- ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
- ASSISTANT TEACHER
- CLERICAL
- LICENSED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER
- LIBRARIAN/COUNSELOR
- PART-TIME TEACHER
- PRINCIPAL
- PROFESSOR
- PROGRAM COORDINATOR/DIRECTOR
- RETIRED EDUCATOR
- STUDENT TEACHER
- TEACHER
  - PE
  - REG
  - SPED
  - VOC
  - OTHER
- OTHER/CERTIFIED
- OTHER/NON-CERTIFIED

## METHOD OF PAYMENT

- PROFESSIONAL \$120
- COUPLES \$200
- NON-CERTIFIED OR PART-TIME \$60
- STUDENT TEACHER \$14
- RETIRED EDUCATOR w/o INSURANCE \$10
- CHECK/MONEY ORDER  
Make payable to MPE
- MONTHLY BANK DRAFT  
Please enclose VOIDED check (no deposit slips please)  
Professional.....\$10.50  
Couples.....\$17.00  
Non-cert or Part-time.....\$5.25
- CREDIT CARD  
 DISCOVER  MASTERCARD  VISA  
# \_\_\_\_\_  
EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

“THANKS MPE!  
While teachers are  
in the classrooms  
teaching, MPE has  
our backs!”  
-MPE member  
since 1992

MPE's liability insurance and employment rights protection package helps free you from worries about job security so you can concentrate on performing and growing as a professional. No one ever expects to face legal problems as a professional educator, but it happens. The staff and attorneys that serve you through MPE have many years of experience and are just a toll free call away and stand ready to serve you.

### What happens if I have an employment related problem?

Simply pick up the phone and call our office at (800) 523-0269 to speak with your Executive Director. If you have problems or questions about employment that involve salary, dismissal, contract non-renewal, or actions involving suspension, cancellation, or revocation of licensure by the State Board of Education, you should speak with the Executive Director to confirm that an attorney is needed and appropriate at the time. Since most educators do not use attorneys very often, we can recommend an attorney that has extensive experience with problems like the one you face. With the Executive Director's approval, you may use your own attorney and the appropriate forms will be faxed or emailed to

him or her. Failure to provide advance or timely notice could result in denial of benefits.

### What activities are covered by the insurance policy that covers eligible MPE members?

MPE's policy covers activities of eligible members in the course of their duties of employment with an educational institution or activities in an accredited teacher education program. This includes assigned duty outside the regular school day or term.

### Who is covered by the policy written for MPE members?

Covered members include eligible professional and non-certified members in their employment by an accredited educational institution. Covered also are student teacher members or interns enrolled in an educational preparation program in an accredited college or university engaged in student teaching and/or field experience.

EVERY  
DOLLAR OF  
YOUR DUES STAYS  
IN MISSISSIPPI  
FOR YOUR BENEFIT!  
MPE DOES NOT  
UTILIZE DUES TO  
SUPPORT POLITICAL  
CANDIDATES.