

## Part of the PSEA Family

The May 1984 House of Delegates voted overwhelmingly to establish a PSEA retired membership category for all retired school employees. This new membership category is open to all public school employees who are no longer actively involved in the public schools by virtue of their retirement.

This membership category creates an opportunity for all retired school employees to maintain an active role within our organization. It makes sense for PSEA to seek opinions and views of its members who have dedicated many years to the advancement and promotion of the profession and public education. Obviously, retired school personnel possess a wisdom which this organization must seek out and incorporate into its operation.

PSEA-Retired has accomplished a great deal in its short history. Membership has grown to more than 30,000, now has two (2) voting representatives on the PSEA Board of Directors, and is represented on all statewide standing committees.

We owe this growth in large part to our local associations. Many local associations purchase memberships for their retirees. Our goal is to add 100% of our retirees to the PSEA-Retired membership roles and to have a retiree representative sit on every local's executive board or rep. council. This will insure a close relationship between the active school employees and the retired members.

PSEA-Retired offers a comprehensive Member Benefits package. Most importantly, PSEA-Retired has a legislative task force which monitors state and national legislation of concern to retired school employees.

The purpose of PSEA-Retired is to protect and advance the interests of all public school retirees, support the general educational welfare of the state, and to support educational standards.

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