

# WHAT IS THE ASSOCIATION?

## **It's You!**

- Know your rights and responsibilities.
- Become familiar with your contract.
- Participate in Association PD.
- Ask questions and share your ideas.
- Ask for support in your concerns & issues.

**You are your best advocate.  
Be informed & active!**

## **It's your local association:**

### **Lake Washington Education Association (LWEA)**

2,200 members strong, providing building & district representation and advocacy, contract maintenance, and professional development classes.

[www.lakewashingtonea.org](http://www.lakewashingtonea.org)

**President - Howard Mawhinney  
Vice President - Katie Badger**

## **It's your state association:**

### **Washington Education Association (WEA)**

Statewide representative of 85,000 PK-12 and college professionals, Washington's largest public employee labor organization. WEA's mission is to make public education the best it can be for students, staff, and communities.

**President - Larry Delaney  
Vice President - Janie White**

## **It's your national association:**

### **National Education Association (NEA)**

The NEA is the nation's oldest and largest organization committed to advancing public education, representing 3 million members in every facet of education, in every state. NEA promotes public education issues and provides support and benefits to its members.

**President - Becky Pringle  
Vice President - Princess Moss**