

**Report of the Education Support Professionals Committee
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Education Support Professionals have had a productive and engaging year. Below is a summary of the important work our ESP leaders and members have been engaged in during the year:

- The ESP Committee held discussions around professional development for ESP members and engaging our membership for membership growth and recognition of ESP members.
- ESP organizing meetings have been held with ESP and local association leaders to recruit members across the state.
- ESP members have participated in professional learning opportunities, including the NEA ESP Virtual Conference.
- ESP Chair Travis Vo testified in support of LB641 regarding pay for ESP/support staff during times of epidemic. ESP Vice Chair Jenny Wood submitted written testimony in support of this bill.

The purpose of the Education Support Professionals Committee is to promote respect and understanding of ESPs and advocate for ESPs to be involved in Association activities. The Committee shall plan and implement programs that promote:

- Advocating for the rights and needs of ESPs;
- Recruiting ESP members;
- Recruiting ESP leaders;
- Training ESP leaders; and
- Facilitating communication among ESP members.