

UNIFORM POLITICAL ASSESSMENT AUTHORIZATION

Collier TIGER

Together In Government & Education Reform



Please check your unit:

CCEA CCAEOCAP

Last Name First MI

Address City State Zip Code

Home E-mail Address

School/Work Center Position Employee ID

To: SCHOOL BOARD OF COLLIER COUNTY

I hereby authorize you, according to arrangements agreed upon with the Collier County Education Association and the Collier County Association of Education Office and Classroom Aide Personnel, to deduct from my salary and transmit to said Association, the appropriate Uniform Political Assessment as certified by said Association. I hereby waive all rights and claims to said moneys so deducted and transmitted in accordance with this authorization and relieve the School Board and all its officers from any liability therefor. This authority shall remain in full force and effect for all purposed until revoked by me in writing upon thirty (30) days advance written notice and such notice shall be forwarded directly to the business office of the Association and the School Board.

Employee Signature Date

Recruited By Date

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What is Collier TIGER?

Collier TIGER is the political action committee (PAC) representing Collier County's professional education associations, CCEA and CCAEOCAP.

TIGER is an acronym for Together In Government and Education Reform, and its efforts are exclusively directed towards enhancing public education in Collier County and throughout Florida. Collier TIGER welcomes membership from all public school employees.

Collier TIGER has been established as an independent PAC organization with its own constitution, bylaws, officers, fiscal accounts, goals and programs. Collier TIGER is registered with Florida's Department of State, Division of Elections, as a Committee of Continuous Existence.

Why a Separate Organization?

State law requires the registration of any group which supports political campaigns. Another important reason for creating and maintaining Collier TIGER as a separate organization is that it can more easily pool the efforts and resources of many, making it effective far beyond what could be expected from the contributions of individuals acting alone. Collier TIGER does not and by law cannot use association (union) dues from CCEA or CCAEOCAP to contribute to candidates or political parties.

What is the Primary Purpose of TIGER?

With its commitment to quality education, Collier TIGER's basic goal is to inform all school employees regarding the direct relationship between the election of competent government officials and the improvement of teaching, learning and working conditions within our public schools. TIGER helps coordinate political activities necessary to enhance the quality of education for our students.



School employees should understand that government officials make decisions that directly or indirectly determine the number of students in our classes, the level of our salaries, when we can retire and at what rate, what kinds of benefits will be permitted, and whether we will be given the resources to do an effective job. It is essential for Collier TIGER to seek out candidates for public office who have a sincere interest in the future of public education and its workers.

Why Does Collier TIGER Emphasize Communication?

Once elections are over, communications with elected officials must be maintained. Through telephone calls, e-mails, face-to-face meetings or letter writing campaigns; these political leaders must be informed of our concerns and be provided with information appropriate for making sound decisions.

Is Collier TIGER Nonpartisan?

YES, it represents both Democrats and Republicans. TIGER is interested in securing the best candidates and provides information to help our members become better informed voters--but the choice is always up to the individual.

How Will My TIGER Dues Be Used?

Collier TIGER funds are used to promote the interest of public school employees in the governmental process. TIGER dues also are used to support political candidates who are deemed best qualified for office and who indicate a true concern for public education and public school workers. All expenditures must be approved by the TIGER Executive Board.

What Has Collier TIGER Helped to Achieve?

- Florida's Collective Bargaining Law
- Sick Leave Pool Benefits
- Personal Leave Provisions
- Salary Improvements
- Terminal Pay Provisions
- Retirement Benefits
- Paid Holidays
- Increased School Funding--An ongoing task
- And Much More!



How Can I Help?

- Join Collier TIGER today!
- Participate in the candidate screening process.
- Make sure you, your friends and relatives are registered to vote and become informed voters.
- Volunteer to be a member of TIGER's Executive Board.
- Participate in our lobbying activities associated with the legislative session and other programs of Collier TIGER.
- TIGER Members are invited to participate in TIGER's monthly Round Table Discussions with school board members and the Superintendent. Round Table Discussions also provide TIGER members the opportunity to speak one-on-one with local and state government officials.
- Assist in the elections of our recommended candidates.

Join Now

Become a TIGER Member

*Make a voluntary contribution by check to Collier TIGER
- or -
Complete a TIGER Payroll Deduction Authorization Form **



Annual TIGER Dues

\$20 - Instructional Staff

\$10 - Non-instructional Staff



* One annual payroll deduction at the end of the School Year