



Information Update

News and Notes for Education Professionals

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Hi Member,

As promised, here is your weekly update on key developments affecting FEA.

ACLU Lawsuit

We want to inform you of an important legal action that directly impacts our shared mission to provide students with a world-class education rooted in truth, inclusion, and the free exchange of ideas.

On April 15, 2025, the ACLU filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, with support from NEA and FEA. The case challenges directives issued by the Administration and Department of Defense that restrict DoDEA curricula, instructional materials, book access, DEI initiatives, and cultural history celebrations.

FEA unequivocally opposes these restrictions on academic freedom. We’ve heard from many of you—your concerns are real, and your stories are heartbreaking. These directives not only conflict with our professional values, but also threaten the quality education our military-connected students deserve and have long received.

These directives have created a chilling effect across schools—limiting educators’ professional autonomy and students’ right to learn.

FEA opposes these harmful measures and will continue fighting for your right to teach truthfully and without political interference. As ACLU attorney Emerson Sykes said:

“This case is about protecting DoDEA students’ right to access information and a quality education. No one cares more about those worthy goals than DoDEA teachers and librarians. We are deeply thankful to NEA and FEA for helping us make this lawsuit a reality.”

You can read the full complaint here: [ACLU Lawsuit: EK v. DoDEA](#)

If you’ve been directly impacted by these restrictions, we want to hear from you. Please share your story with us at feaadmin@nea.org—your voice strengthens our advocacy.

Summer Vacation

To our incredible educators and Education Support Professionals (ESPs):
Thank you.

Your strength, compassion, and commitment this year—especially in the face of continued challenges—have made a lasting impact on the DoDEA community. Now it’s your time to rest, recharge, and enjoy the break however you choose to spend it.

Show us your summer!

Send a photo to feaadmin@nea.org for a chance to be featured in our newsletter or on social media.

Stay informed by checking your inbox every Friday for updates. If important news arises, we may send an additional email during the week—so please keep an eye out.

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