**NYSUT’s Pre-Retirement Workshop**

There will be a pre-retirement workshop on Thursday, April 2nd.  The workshop is open to all in-service NYSUT members in the region who are considering retirement in the near future.  Attached is a flyer with all of the pertinent information.   If you have any questions, contact Florence McCue at fmccue@yft860.org.

**SWSCHP Update**

Be sure to take advantage of the upgrades made to SWSCHP’s wellness plan. Check out the website to sign up. Discounted gym membership and other wellness opportunities are available to all SWSCHP participants. <https://www.swschp.org/>

**Social Justice Committee**

**1/16 @3:45 Staff Development Center**

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**Interested in Political Action?**

Reach out to Ray Drach, Evelyn Santiago, and Tim Veeder if you would like to get involved. We recently had the opportunity to interview candidates seeking NYSUT’s endorsement as they run for Nita Lowey’s Congressional Seat.

**School Funding Advocacy:** NYSUT President Andy Pallotta and State Senator Shelley Mayer will visit the WPCSD on January 16th to hear firsthand how the shortfall in funding impacts our students and our work. The WPTA will continue to work alongside Dr. Ricca and NYSUT to advocate for school funding.

**Certification:** Please check your TEACH account to ensure that your certification is up to date.

<http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/teach/>. Here is info about NYSUT’s certification support. <https://elt.nysut.org/certification>

**Thinking about Nation Board Certification?** Apply for the Albert Shanker Grant to help defray the costs. [http://www.nysed.gov/postsecondary-services/albert-shanker-grant-program?](http://www.nysed.gov/postsecondary-services/albert-shanker-grant-program)

**Please take a moment to read President Randi Weingarten’s end of the year reflections.**

<https://www.aft.org/column/listen-truth-tellers>

**Check out NYSUT’s Year in Review**

<https://www.nysut.org/news/2020/january/2019-a-year-to-remember>

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