

Just Do It!

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Sometimes the most patient and long-suffering educators watch as their students dawdle and find all kinds of things to do instead of just sitting down and doing an assignment. After a while, the teacher says, "Just do it!"

Maybe you have read the newsletter articles, toured the new Nazarene Educators Worldwide (NEW) website, and thought about the benefits, but you keep putting off the action—now is the time to just do it! NEW welcomes you to become a part of our organization. It will benefit you, and you will be encouraging other educators through your membership. In this month (August), we are having a membership drive. We hope many educators who have thought about membership but have been too busy to sit down and do it will take a few minutes to complete that task.

Why Should You Join?

- 1. NEW offers all Christian educators an opportunity to pray for, collaborate with, and support one another. We have six main areas of representation for our members:
 - Christian School
 - o Home School
 - o Public School
 - Preschool/Early Childhood Learning Centers
 - Higher Education Educators and Students
 - Global Educators

We welcome pastors and retired educators. We value our pastors who see the need to care for and educate our children in a Christian setting. Yes, retired educators have much experience and expertise to bring to NEW! We would like to make use of your skills.

- 2. We publish an informative monthly newsletter full of helpful articles for educators. All who contact us will be able to access our current newsletter. Only members can access all our past newsletters for archived articles. For a list of past articles by area of representation, date and month, or by author, hover over our Newsletter tab for the drop-down menu.
- 3. We have a wide variety of professional development (PD) opportunities designed to equip members with the skills and resources they need. Virtual PD will be at no cost to members! To look at our upcoming PD training, click on the PD entry under the resources tab at the top of our website's home page. Members may also take advantage of customized PD for a nominal cost, or they can attend regional training events that will be offered from time to time at a discounted rate.
- 4. NEW will be looking for special projects the members can do to help member schools in their area of need. This will include a grant application process. Be thinking about your own school and how NEW can help.
- 5. Individual members or schools can be nominated for special honors on our website and in our newsletters. Help us celebrate you and the important discipleship work that you do every day.
- 6. Members have access to a professional lending library. See the dropdown under the resources tab for a list of books and materials.
- 7. Other benefits are a job posting page (information handled discretely), a professional coaching program (for teachers and leaders), and an opportunity to work with an experienced consultant for general advice and special projects.
- 8. We will be adding more membership benefits. If you have a need for something we do not currently offer, let us know.

Do not delay! August will be a busy month with schools opening again (we hope) and many things on your to-do list. Write NEW membership at the top of the list. Then just do it!

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