# Welcome to MEPA

## MEPA Discounts

Local establishments sponsor MEPA with discounts for each member.

You will receive a membership card and gift. Present your membership card and/or mention "MEPA" to a sponsor and receive their discount. It ranges from free drinks, food or percentages off purchases.



Check out the MEPA website for listing of sponsors.

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## DREAM WORK

Thank you for joining an awesome organization!

**Upcoming events:** 

September 26- MEPA meeting

November —MEPA meeting

December 10 - MEPA Holiday Bazaar

February 21- MEPA meeting

MEPA Banquet – April (date TBD)

### Membership Information Why Join MEPA?

#1 reason – to support the profession you are in! Other reasons - paraprofessional staff development, guest speakers, MEPA membership gift, banquet, and so much more. Plus, paraprofessionals who are MEPA members are eligible for the STAR award: Stellar Teammate Award Recipient. Monthly STARS are nominated by your peers at your campus/location. STAR of the year is nominated by the principal.

#### **Fund Raisers**

Fund raisers benefit our **STUDENTS** with scholar ships, as well as our membership.

Please participate in the fund raisers as well as volunteer for the Theme Basket Auction.

MEPA Holiday Bazaar! Great opportunity to shop with local vendors for a variety of items.



#### MEPA Theme Basket Donations

This year we ask each campus to have fun and be creative in building a theme basket from their campus for the MEPA Holiday Bazaar. The basket that receives the most tickets earns their members a pizza lunch delivered to their campus. The second place earns dessert for their members.

#### **Door Prize list**

Each campus donates door prizes for a specific meeting. There is no set dollar amount for the prizes,

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just be creative and make it fun! Everyone loves to win a gift.

See your liaison or check the MEPA website to see when it is your turn to donate a gift.

#### **Calendar of Events**

This year MEPA will host three meetings and a banquet, which we urge our members to attend.

These events offer members an opportunity to grow personally and professionally, to network with support personnel from around the district, and to benefit our students and support staff through the scholarship program.

#### PSP/STEM

Your Certified Educational Office
Employee (CEOE) gives you more \$
on your paycheck. If you earn your
Certified Educational Office
Professional (CEOP), you receive a
\$500 one-time lump sum payment.
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more information.

#### **MEPA Scholarships**

Student and Paraprofessional Scholarships are available and awarded each year.

**MEPA** is an associate member of the following state and national associations.



Texas Educational Support Staff Association (TESA )

www.tesatexas.org



National Association of Educational Office Professionals (NAEOP) www.naeop.org