

# 2020 Teacher Trustee Election

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*Overview of 2020 Election for CTPF Pension Representatives*



# Introduction



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# Today's Agenda

- Role of CTPF Trustees
- November 2020 Election Process
- Role of Pension Rep in 2020 Election Process
- Pension Representative Election Stipends
- Q & A

# CTPF Board of Trustees

The Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund (CTPF) is governed by a 12-member Board of Trustees. The Board include 6 trustees elected by the active teacher membership, 1 trustee elected by the active principals and administrators, 3 trustees elected by the retired membership, and 2 trustees appointed by the Board of Education.

- Review and approve all benefits
- Make investment decisions
- Hire Executive Director
- Set policy
- Set legislative agenda

# 2020 Teacher Trustee Election



Teacher Trustees are elected to represent the interests of active contributors. CTPF will hold an election to fill **two** open seats on the Board of Trustees. Voting credentials will be distributed by mail this year and the election will take place November 2-6, 2020.

## Certified Teacher Trustee Candidates

Catherine Cunningham-Yee

Mary Esposito-Usterbowski

Tina Padilla

Philip Weiss

*Listed above alphabetically. Names on the ballot will be rotated so that each candidate appears at the top of the ballot an equal amount of times.*

# 2020 Teacher Trustee Timeline



CTPF's Election Agent is YesElections!  
Voting will take place November 2-6, 2020

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| October 9  | Postcard with voting information mailed to all teachers               |
| October 23 | <b>Voting credentials</b> mailed to teachers' homes by election agent |
| November 2 | 8:00 a.m. (CT) Voting Opens   |
| November 6 | 5:00 p.m. (CT) Voting Closes  |
| November 9 | Certified election results posted                                     |

**All voting takes place online at [CTPFTeacherVotes.org](https://CTPFTeacherVotes.org)**

# 2020 Election Process

YesElections serves as the independent agent retained by the Board of Trustees to administer the Elections.

YesElections' duties include:

- Verifying the nomination petitions and providing a list of eligible candidates
- Preparing the election voting website
- Mailing voting credentials to all teachers
- Tabulating election results
- Reporting final election results to the Election Coordinator

# Voting



- Voting credentials will be **mailed** to all teachers on October 23, 2020, by YesElections
- Voting opens at 8:00 a.m. November 2, 2020
- **Vote at [CTPFTeacherVotes.org](https://CTPFTeacherVotes.org)**
- Voting closes at 5:00 p.m. (CT) on November 6, 2020
- Voting credentials will also be emailed to valid email address on file the week of November 2-6, 2020
- Voting can be accessed from any computer or hand-held electronic device.



# Voting Assistance

- If a member doesn't receive voting credentials or needs assistance they should contact YesElections.
- Help will be available by phone or email [CTPFsupport@yeselections.com](mailto:CTPFsupport@yeselections.com) or 1-844-413-2929.

# Online Voting



Welcome to the 2020 Teacher Trustee Election

Voting opens on November 2nd at 8:00 AM CT and ends on November 6th at 5:00 PM CT.

Last 4 digits of your SSN:

Birth Date:  /  /

Voting PIN:

For any assistance with the voting process, please contact YesElections at [CTPFsupport@yeselections.com](mailto:CTPFsupport@yeselections.com) or call (844) 413-2929. Support will be available to all participating voters from 8:00 AM CT to 5:00 PM CT, Monday through Friday, throughout the duration of the election period.



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A voter enters his/her last 4 digits of SSN, birth date (MM/DD/YYYY), and a voting pin included in the voting credentials.

# Online Voting



## Welcome to the 2020 Teacher Trustee Election

To read a candidate's bio, click on the candidate's name.

To make a selection, click in the box to the left of your choice. Then click Submit to review your ballot.

### Official Ballot

#### Active Teacher Trustee

Vote for no more than two.

<input type="checkbox"/>	 <a href="#">Philip Weiss</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	 <a href="#">Catherine Cunningham-Yee</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	 <a href="#">Mary Esposito-Usterbowski</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	 <a href="#">Tina Padilla</a>

Submit

Once validated, the voters' ballot appears.

Bio information is available.

Names will rotate.

Voters check boxes next to their choices (up to two).

Voters will be alerted if they have over/under voted.

# Online Voting



## Welcome to the 2020 Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund Teacher Trustee Election

Please review your ballot. To make a change, click Return. To cast your vote, click Vote. Once you cast your vote, you cannot change or withdraw it.

### Official Ballot

<b>Active Teacher Trustee</b>
Vote 1
Vote 2

Return

Vote



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Voters receive a chance to review their choices and then can either continue to submit the vote or return to make a different choice.

# Online Voting



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**Thank you for voting!**

**Your vote was successfully submitted on October 15, 2020 at 3:51 p.m. CDT**

[Return](#)



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Once final selection is made and a vote is submitted, it cannot be changed or redone.

# Who is Eligible to Vote

Eligible voters include all certified teachers who contribute to CTPF, which also includes:

- Counselors
- Librarians
- Psychologists
- Citywide teachers

# Pension Reps:

## Who is NOT Eligible to Vote?

- Administrators/Principals, Assistant Principals, Chiefs of Schools, and other positions that **require** a type 75 certificate.
- Retired teachers
- Educational Support Personnel (PSRPs)

If a member has not received credentials but believes they are eligible to vote, they should contact the support desk for assistance at: [CTPFsupport@yeselections.com](mailto:CTPFsupport@yeselections.com) or 1-844-413-2929.


# Replacement Voter Credentials

- Voting credentials will mail on October 23, 2020.
- Credentials will be emailed to teachers November 2-6.
- Teachers who do not receive their credentials by October 30 should contact [CTPFsupport@yeselections.com](mailto:CTPFsupport@yeselections.com) or 1-844-413-2929.
- The Election Agent can email credentials to teachers who do not receive credentials by U.S. mail.




# Pension Rep Participation

- CTPF is asking Pension Reps to share election information with teachers.
- Please use all means possible including:
  - Sending school Email blasts or other announcements
  - Other communications options
- CTPF has made digital tools available at [www.ctpf.org/2020-election-central](http://www.ctpf.org/2020-election-central)



## NOTICE OF TEACHER TRUSTEE ELECTION



### CTPF ELECTION DETAILS

November 2-6, 2020, CTPF will hold elections for:

- Two (2) Teacher Trustees to serve three-year terms from November 2020 - November 2023 (voting November 2-6, 2020)

### COVID-19 VOTING CHANGES

Teachers cast votes by secure electronic ballot. Voting credentials will be mailed to teachers' homes in October. Email reminders will be sent from the election agent when voting opens. Voting will open November 2 and closes at 5:00 p.m. (CT), November 6, 2020.

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### CANDIDATE ELIGIBILITY

Individuals who wish to run for office must meet the following criteria as of October 1, 2020:

#### TEACHER TRUSTEE CANDIDATES MUST:

1. Be a CTPF Member, other than a Principal/Administrator, as defined by the Illinois Pension Code (40 ILCS/17-106);
2. Have been assigned on a regular certificate for at least 10 years in the Chicago Public Schools or Charter schools within District 299 (this includes anyone who is licensed and has worked in the Chicago Public Schools or Charter Schools for at least 10 years on a regular certificate, including as a substitute); and
3. Be nominated by a petition with 200 legible handwritten signatures or validated digital signatures from contributors who are not Principal/Administrators, as provided in 40 ILCS 5/17- 139(1).


### ELIGIBILITY FOR VOTERS

Voters must obtain voter eligibility status, as defined in Illinois Pension Code sections 17-138 and 139, on or before October 1, 2020.

### NOMINATION PACKETS NOW AVAILABLE

Due to the pandemic Members can choose to gather signatures using a traditional paper petition, electronic collection, or a combination of the two methods. Contact Gail Davis, Election Coordinator, Elections@ctpf.org, by September 15, 2020, to request a nomination packet.

- Completed nomination packets must be returned to CTPF on or before close of business at 5:00 p.m. (CT), October 1, 2020.



### VOTING PROCESS

Voting shall be by secure electronic ballot. Since teachers will not be in schools this fall, voting credentials will be distributed by mail to teachers' home addresses. Election reminders with voting credentials will also be emailed by the voting agent to all teachers with valid email addresses on file with CTPF.

ALL online voting must be completed by 5:00 p.m. (CT), on November 6, 2020.

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### SCHEDULE OF ELECTION EVENTS

Feb 18, 2020	Nomination packets are available.	Nov 2-6, 2020	Online voting available through November 6 at 5:00 p.m. (CT).
Sept 15, 2020	Last day to request nomination packets. Packets must be requested by 5:00 p.m. (CT)	Nov 6, 2020	Voting closes at 5:00 p.m (CT).
Sept 16, 2020	First day for Teacher Trustee candidates to submit completed nomination petitions.	Nov 19, 2020	Trustees sworn in during CTPF Board of Trustees meeting.
Oct 1, 2020	Last day to submit nomination packets. Completed nomination packets due to CTPF at 5:00 p.m. (CT).		
Oct 23, 2020	Unique voter identification numbers to be sent to all teachers by U.S. mail.		

The CTPF Election Policy can be found at Election Central at [ctpf.org/2020-election-central](http://ctpf.org/2020-election-central)

425 S. Financial Place, Suite 1400 | Chicago, Illinois 60605-1000 | T 312.604.1400, ext. 402 | F 312.641.7185 | [www.ctpf.org](http://www.ctpf.org)

# Pension Rep: Stipends

- For viewing a webinar AND sharing information with teachers at your school, you will receive a \$100 stipend.
- Complete an Attestation Form and return by November 20 to receive your stipend in December.
- Late forms will be held for a second round of payments to occur in the new year.
- Return forms by email to ensure prompt processing to [elections@ctpf.org](mailto:elections@ctpf.org).
- Links to forms are included in weekly Email and available at [www.ctpf.org/2020-election-central](http://www.ctpf.org/2020-election-central).

CTPF		PENSION REPRESENTATIVE ATTESTATION FORM		2020	
<small>Pension Representatives receive \$50 for viewing an election webinar and an additional \$50 for distributing digital election information to their colleagues if an election is held. Pension Representatives will receive \$50 for completing only one of these activities.</small>					
<small>Please return this form to CTPF NO LATER than Friday, November 20, 2020, to receive your stipend check in December. Attestation forms received after November 20, 2020, will be held for a second round of stipend payments to occur in the new year.</small>					
<b>PENSION REPRESENTATIVE INFORMATION*</b>					
Name: First		M.I.	Last		
School Name: (full school name)					
School Address: Street		City	State	Zip	
Home Phone: (with area code)		Mobile Phone: (with area code)		Email Address:	
Home Address: Street		Apt. or Unit No.	City	State	Zip
<small>*NOTE: Stipend checks will be mailed to your home. Please enter your full name and home address.</small>					
<b>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> I attest that I viewed a 2020 CTPF Pension Representative Election Webinar on or before October 31, 2020			<input type="checkbox"/> I attest that I distributed digital election information for the 2020 CTPF Board of Trustees Teacher Trustee Election		
Signature			Date		
<b>RETURN THIS FORM</b> via email to <a href="mailto:elections@ctpf.org">elections@ctpf.org</a> , via fax to 312.641.7185, or via U.S. Mail to: Chicago Teachers' Pension Fund 425 S. Financial Place   Suite 1400 Chicago, Illinois 60605-1000					
<small>Note: During the pandemic electronic submission is highly encouraged. U.S. Mail processing may be delayed.</small>			<small>If you have any questions, please contact <a href="mailto:elections@ctpf.org">elections@ctpf.org</a></small>		
<small>425 S. Financial, Suite 1400   Chicago, IL 60605-1000   Members: 312.641.4464   General: 312.604.1400   Fax: 312.641.7185</small>					

# RESULTS

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Election results will be posted at  
*www.ctpf.org* by November 9, 2020

# Final Notes

- If you have not already done so, complete your Credentials Form and return it to [pensionreps@ctpf.org](mailto:pensionreps@ctpf.org).
- For questions at any time leading up to the election you can email Gail Davis at [Elections@ctpf.org](mailto:Elections@ctpf.org).
- If teachers do not receive their voting credentials by October 30, 2020, they should contact YesElections at [CTPFsupport@yeselections.com](mailto:CTPFsupport@yeselections.com) or 1-844-413-2929.
- Visit Election Central [www.ctpf.org/2020-election-central](http://www.ctpf.org/2020-election-central) for information.



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