



Emergency All-Member MTA Meeting, 3/2/2021

In attendance - 2,500 MTA members

- This MTA meeting was largely about putting pressure on the Governor and Commissioner of Education to vaccinate teachers in anticipation of their April 1 reopening date.
- ABAs won their vaccinations because there were close to 10,000 emails sent to the Governor, Commissioner and Secretary.
- MTA needs to keep the pressure on in the weeks coming up. A month of actions are needed to get all teachers vaccinated.

ACTIONS TO TAKE

1. Take a selfie (Rosie the Riveter style) and post on social media with these hashtags: #ImReady, #COVID19, #COVID19MA

Doing this will help get vaccines for ALL educators and staff and support the right to have safe and healthy working conditions in all MTA schools!



2. Write a letter to all of members on the Board Of Education:

*Personalize your letter and tell state officials why this is important (you can draw from the language below).

*Also send your message to the Governor:

<https://www.mass.gov/forms/email-the-governors-office>

Board of Education Members:

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Example Language -

Let Governor Baker, Marylou Sudders, Commissioner Riley and members of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education know how you feel about the state's plan to force school employees back into the buildings in April, even though the state refuses to commit to vaccinating us any time soon. That plan will be voted on by BESE this Friday, March 5.

The MTA has told state officials that we want a specific date in the very near future when school employees can start getting the vaccine, beginning in high-need districts. We've suggested mid-March, the anniversary of the statewide school closure. We've also asked them repeatedly to support the Last Mile Vaccine Delivery program under which local firefighters and EMTs would oversee the efficient vaccination of all school employees (educators and staff) in their communities. What do you think?

3. Reach out to at least two people (at least one parent) and two colleagues and ask them to write a letter and/or post a picture on social media.

4. Share your commitment with the MTA: [Commitment Form](#)

5. Attend a Standout/Rally:

Acton/Boxborough - Saturday, 3/6/21, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM at Kelly's Corner (Rt. 111 and Rt. 27). Parking at Kmart (252 Main Street, Acton) and Main School Campus (16 Charter Road, Acton).

Worcester - Thursday, 3/4/21, 4:30 - 6:30 PM at City Hall (455 Main Street, Worcester)

Lunenburg - Saturday, 3/13/21, 1:00 - 4:00 PM in center of town (Mass Ave. [2A] and Main Street).

6. Watch MTA's Livestream this Thursday, 3/4/21:

<https://www.facebook.com/massteacher/live>

7. Share this video from MTA's Facebook Page: [Vaccinate Educators Now](#)

8. Attend the next all-member MTA meeting on Tuesday, 3/16 (in 2 weeks)

9. Support St. Vincent Nurses: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/37RPG6W>

In unity, WREA EBoard