

BEST OF THE BEST

Ted Bleecker Award

Union of Clerical, Administrative &
Technical Staff at NYU

MOMENTUM

Class V – *Summer 2010 issue*

Editor: Stephen Rechner

President: Stephen Rechner

Solidarity Awards

Amityville Teachers' Association

THE SCRIBE

Class II – *January, June, October 2010*

Editor: Jolene Maccarone

President: Carolyn Dodd

Gates-Chili Teachers Association

The Voice

Class III – *No reservations for reserve fund*

Editor: Susan Evans

Author: Erik Johnson

President: Erik Johnson

2011 JOURNALISM AWARD WINNERS

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Community Outreach Using Electronic Media

Cambridge Faculty Association

Cambridge Faculty Association Website

Webmaster: Steve Butz

President: Donna Phinney

Class I

FIRST PLACE

Best Editorial Design

Ilion Teachers' Association

Information - Thoughts - Announcements

Headline: *ITA contract approved*

Designer: Patrick O'Brien

Editor: Tara Raux

Co-Editor: Patrick O'Brien

President: Geoffrey Stegner

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Editorial Design

Homer Teachers' Association

The Tale

Headline: *Chili cookoff*

Designer: Karen Exelby

Editor: Karen Exelby

President: Jim Baldwin

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Editorial Design

Westfield Teachers' Association

WTAttention!!

Designer: Rebecca Huber-Ross

Editor: Rebecca Huber-Ross

President: Karen Belcher

Class I

FIRST PLACE

Best Feature Story

Cambridge Faculty Association

The Blackboard

Headline: *What are you doing right now?*

Author: Colleen McDonald

Editor: Colleen McDonald

President: Donna Phinney

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Feature Story

Deposit Teachers Association

The Hatchet

Headline: *Santa's little helpers*

Author: Shannon Weeks

Editor: Eileen Plunkett

President: Lori Scalise

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Feature Story

Ilion Teachers' Association

Information - Thoughts - Announcements

Headline: *7-8-9-10! What do you do after you have counted to 10?*

Author: Tara Raux

Editor: Tara Raux

Co-Editor: Patrick O'Brien

President: Geoffrey Stegner

Class I

FIRST PLACE

Best News Story

Cambridge Faculty Association

The Blackboard

Headline: *Move over blackboard, the SmartBoards are here!*

Author: Colleen McDonald

Editor: Colleen McDonald

President: Donna Phinney

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

Deposit Teachers Association

The Hatchet

Headline: *DCS happenings: News corner*

Author: Various Reporters

Editor: Eileen Plunkett

President: Lori Scalise

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

Homer Teachers' Association

The Tale

Headline: *Accolades for the brave heroes of Hartnett School*

Author: Alison Mastroe

Editor: Karen Exelby

President: Jim Baldwin

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

Ilion Teachers' Association

Information - Thoughts - Announcements

Headline: *And the "Golden Spoon" goes to ...*

Author: Tara Raux

Editor: Tara Raux

Co-Editor: Patrick O'Brien

President: Geoffrey Stegner

Class I

FIRST PLACE

Best Opinion Writing

Liberty Assistants, Monitors & Aides Association

LAMA Lines

Headline: *Shame on you - I owe my soul to the company store*

Author: Sue Huggler

Editor: Sue Huggler

President: Sue Huggler

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

Homer Teachers' Association

The Tale

Headline: *Budget stress and hassle!*

Author: Gary G. Podsiedlik

Editor: Karen Exelby

President: Jim Baldwin

Class I

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Best Opinion Writing

Ilion Teachers' Association

Information - Thoughts - Announcements

Headline: *Define union...*

Author: Tara Raux

Editor: Tara Raux

Co-Editor: Patrick O'Brien

President: Geoffrey Stegner

Class I

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Liberty Assistants, Monitors & Aides Association

LAMA Lines

Editor: Sue Huggler

President: Sue Huggler

Class I

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Best Publication

Westfield Teachers' Association

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Editor: Rebecca Huber-Ross

President: Karen Belcher

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Best Website

Westfield Teachers' Association

[Westfield Teachers' Association Website](#)

Webmaster: Lynn Manzella

President: Karen Belcher

Class I

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Solidarity Award

Deposit Teachers Association

The Hatchet

Headline: *The bottom drawer*

Editor: Eileen Plunkett

President: Lori Scalise

Class I

AWARD OF MERIT

Solidarity Award

Ilion Teachers' Association

Information - Thoughts - Announcements

Headline: *Did you forget your pen Mr. President?*

Editor: Tara Raux

Co-Editor: Patrick O'Brien

President: Geoffrey Stegner

Class II

FIRST PLACE

Best Community Outreach Using Electronic Media

Amityville Teachers' Association

[Amityville Teachers' Association Website](#)

Webmaster: Shannon Reilly

President: Carolyn Dodd

Class II

FIRST PLACE

Best Editorial Design

Beacon Teachers Association

Between Assignments

Designer: Dawn Clemens

Editor: Dawn Clemens

President: Kim Atwell

Class II

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Editorial Design

Tonawanda Education Association

TAB

Designer: Elizabeth Randell

Editor: Elizabeth Randell

President: Ron Sesnie

Class II

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Editorial Design

United Teachers of Seaford

U.T.S. Newsletter

Designer: Curtis Tripoli

Editor: Curtis Tripoli

President: Lori Fritsch

Class II

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Editorial Design

Wallkill Teachers' Association

IMPACT

Headline: *Albert Shanker award*

Designer: Lisa Bender

Editor: Lisa Bender

President: Donna Carr

Class II

FIRST PLACE

Best Feature Story

Tonawanda Education Association

TAB

Headline: *Hello friends*

Author: Jennifer Miranda

Editor: Elizabeth Randell

President: Ron Sesnie

Class II

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Feature Story

Beacon Teachers Association

Between Assignments

Headline: *Football helps students pay tribute*

Author: Dawn Clemens

Editor: Dawn Clemens

President: Kim Atwell

Class II

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Best Feature Story

Wallkill Teachers' Association

IMPACT

Headline: *Jeans for Jackie*

Author: Lisa Bender

Editor: Lisa Bender

President: Donna Carr

Class II

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Best News Story

Wallkill Teachers' Association

IMPACT

Headline: *Social responsibility*

Author: Lisa Bender

Editor: Lisa Bender

President: Donna Carr

Class II

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Best News Story

Beacon Teachers Association

Between Assignments

Headline: *From the president*

Author: Kim Atwell

Editor: Dawn Clemens

President: Kim Atwell

Class II

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Best News Story

Tonawanda Education Association

TAB

Headline: *Advice for the grieving: Coping with loss*

Author: Maryanna Fezer & Joel Labert

Editor: Elizabeth Randell

President: Ron Sesnie

Class II

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Tonawanda Education Association

TAB

Headline: *What exactly is shared decision making?*

Author: Elizabeth Randell

Editor: Elizabeth Randell

President: Ron Sesnie

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Best Opinion Writing

Beacon Teachers Association

Between Assignments

Headline: *National Board Certification*

Author: Dawn Clemens

Editor: Dawn Clemens

President: Kim Atwell

Class II

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

Nyack Teachers Association

The Bridge

Headline: *President's message*

Author: Donna Ramundo

Editor: Sheri Viggiano

President: Donna Ramundo

Class II

FIRST PLACE

Best Publication

Beacon Teachers Association

Between Assignments

Editor: Dawn Clemens

President: Kim Atwell

Class II

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Best Publication

Nyack Teachers Association

The Bridge

Editor: Sheri Viggiano

President: Donna Ramundo

Class II

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Publication

Schalmont Teachers' Association

STATIC

Co-Editor: Kelly Healy

Co-Editor: Carol Carelli

President: Mary Beth Flatley

Class II

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Publication

Wallkill Teachers' Association

IMPACT

Editor: Lisa Bender

President: Donna Carr

Class II

FIRST PLACE

Best Website

Amityville Teachers' Association

Amityville Teachers' Association Website

Webmaster: Shannon Reilly

Editor: Shannon Reilly

President: Carolyn Dodd

Class II

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Solidarity Award

Nyack Teachers Association

The Bridge

Headline: *President's message*

Editor: Sheri Viggiano

President: Donna Ramundo

Class II

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Solidarity Award

Tonawanda Education Association

TAB

Headline: *Sam's the man with a plan (Which you'd better scan while you can)*

Editor: Elizabeth Randell

President: Ron Sesnie

Class III

FIRST PLACE

Best Editorial Design

North Babylon Teachers' Organization

Partners in Education

Headline: *Spotlight on Robert Moses Middle School*

Designer: Patricia Caraway

Editor: Patricia Caraway

President: Selina Durio

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Editorial Design

Farmingdale Federation of Teachers

CLASSROOM POINTERS

Headline: *We're singing their praises*

Designer: Barbara Lieberman

Editor: Barbara Lieberman

President: Claire Zatorski

Class III

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Best Editorial Design

Gates Chili Teachers' Association

The Voice

Headline: *Know your contract: Sick leave*

Designer: Susan Evans

Editor: Susan Evans

President: Erik Johnson

Class III

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Best Editorial Design

North Colonie Teachers' Association

NCTA NEWS

Designer: Brian Murray

Editor: Brian Murray

Co-Editor: Pam Burns

President: Bob Bedell

Class III

FIRST PLACE

Best Feature Story

Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers

SPEAK OUT

Headline: *Fifty Years! Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers - 2nd series*

Author: Tony Segelski

Editor: Michael Scholz

President: Paul Pecorale

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Feature Story

North Babylon Teachers' Organization

Partners in Education

Headline: *Bria Hartley: Scholar and All-American athlete*

Author: Mike Scottaline & Pat Caraway

Editor: Patricia Caraway

President: Selina Durio

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Feature Story

West Genesee Teachers' Association

The Member Ship

Headline: *West Genesee music teachers: A class act*

Author: Ellen Miller

Editor: Ellen Miller

Co-Editor: Lynn Davis

President: John Christian

Class III

FIRST PLACE

Best News Story

Whitesboro Teachers Association

WTA Record

Headline: *Two Deerfield teachers publish book*

Author: Heather Freiberger

Editor: Denise Hoffman

President: Julie Venezia

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

Gates Chili Teachers' Association

The Voice

Headline: *GCTA scholarship awards*

Author: Susan Evans

Editor: Susan Evans

President: Erik Johnson

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

North Babylon Teachers' Organization

Partners in Education

Headline: *NB football team wins Suffolk championship*

Author: Terry Manning & Pat Caraway

Editor: Patricia Caraway

President: Selina Durio

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers

Connection

Headline: *Clavin Brothers bring pride to Patchogue-Medford*

Author: Chris Paino

Editor: Michael Scholz

Co-Editor: Ellen DiFazio

President: Paul Pecorale

Class III

FIRST PLACE

Best Opinion Writing

Central Islip Teachers Association

CITation

Headline: *Dear Arne Duncan*

Author: Barbara Leshinger

Editor: Tammy Walsh

Co-Editor: Jennifer Brand

President: Robert Molinaro

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

Gates Chili Teachers' Association

The Voice

Headline: *Sue's sidebar*

Author: Susan Evans

Editor: Susan Evans

President: Erik Johnson

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

Rondout Valley Federation of Teachers and School Related Professionals

The Union Sound

Headline: *Race to the Top: What an Obamination*

Author: Geoff Miller

Editor: Diana Zukerman

President: Sheryl Delano

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

Whitesboro Teachers Association

WTA Record

Headline: *For the record*

Author: Julie Venezia

Editor: Denise Hoffman

President: Julie Venezia

Class III

FIRST PLACE

Best Publication

Port Jefferson Station Teachers Association

PORTAL

Editor: Beth Shapiro

President: Beth Dimino

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Publication

Gates Chili Teachers' Association

The Voice

Editor: Susan Evans

President: Erik Johnson

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Publication

Mahopac Teachers' Association

MTA Chalkboard

Editor: Trish Huestis

President: Michael Hunt

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Publication

Niagara Wheatfield Teachers Association

The Agenda

Editor: Darla Bubar

President: Kevin Rustowicz

Class III

FIRST PLACE

Best Website

Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers

Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers Website

Webmaster: Kathy Bucaria

President: Paul Pecorale

Class III

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Rondout Valley Federation of Teachers and School

Related Professionals

The Union Sound

Editor: Diana Zukerman

President: Sheryl Delano

Class III

AWARD OF MERIT

Solidarity Award

Whitesboro Teachers Association

WTA Record

Headline: *Teachers being challenged*

Editor: Denise Hoffman

President: Julie Venezia

Class IV

FIRST PLACE

Best Editorial Design

Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College

THE WORD

Headline: *FA membership: Priceless*

Designer: Cynthia Eaton

Editor: Cynthia Eaton

Co-Editor: Joyce Gabriele

President: Ellen Schuler Mauk

Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Editorial Design

Valley Central Teachers Association

VC ECHOES

Headline: *Child of the universe*

Designer: Meghan Rilley

Editor: Meghan Rilley

President: Timothy Brown

Class IV

FIRST PLACE

Best Feature Story

Oceanside Federation of Teachers

OFTimes

Headline: *A bond between sisters*

Author: Chris Sartory

Editor: Chris Sartory

President: Richard Roschelle

Class IV

FIRST PLACE

Best Feature Story

Smithtown Teachers' Association

FACULTY FOCUS

Headline: *Fair Trade delegation to Nicaragua*

Author: Kathleen L. Martin

Editor: Joanne McEnroy

President: Rich Forzano

Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Feature Story

Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College

THE WORD

Headline: *Professors on wheels: Helping those who need it most*

Author: Adam Penna

Editor: Cynthia Eaton

Co-Editor: Joyce Gabriele

President: Ellen Schuler Mauk



Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Feature Story

Valley Central Teachers Association

VC ECHOES

Headline: *Turkey-cow union cooperation is not without consequences: Are chickens being targeted?*

Author: Tim Brown

Editor: Meghan Rilley

President: Timothy Brown

Class IV

FIRST PLACE

Best News Story

Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College

THE WORD

Headline: *Keeping elderly loved ones healthy, safe, & wise*

Author: Cynthia Eaton

Editor: Cynthia Eaton

Co-Editor: Joyce Gabriele

President: Ellen Schuler Mauk

Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

Capital Region BOCES Faculty Association

TRIAD

Headline: *Sleep matters because sleep matters!*

Author: Cathrine Jakway

Editor: Susan Kusalonis

Co-Editor: Lois Leonard

President: Harold Douglas Harple

Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

Smithtown Teachers' Association

FACULTY FOCUS

Headline: *You're not in Tier 5, but is your pension safe?*

Author: Max Strieb

Editor: Joanne McEnroy

President: Rich Forzano

Class IV

FIRST PLACE

Best Opinion Writing

Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College

THE WORD

Headline: *Uncommon indicators, or telling tales out of school*

Author: Ellen Schuler Mauk

Editor: Cynthia Eaton

Co-Editor: Joyce Gabriele

President: Ellen Schuler Mauk

Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

Smithtown Teachers' Association

FACULTY FOCUS

Headline: *Want to be my friend?*

Author: Rich Forzano

Editor: Joanne McElroy

President: Rich Forzano

Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

Valley Central Teachers Association

VC ECHOES

Headline: *Sacred cow to the slaughter*

Author: Meghan Rilley

Editor: Meghan Rilley

President: Timothy Brown

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Smithtown Teachers' Association

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Valley Central Teachers Association

VC ECHOES

Editor: Meghan Rilley

President: Timothy Brown

Class IV

FIRST PLACE

Best Website

Valley Central Teachers Association

Valley Central Teachers Association Website

Webmaster: Tim Brown

President: Timothy Brown

Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Website

Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College

Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College Website

Webmaster: Kevin McCoy

President: Ellen Schuler Mauk

Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Solidarity Award

Faculty Association of Suffolk Community College

THE WORD

Headline: *Multitudinous voices in modernist marble:*

Stop cuts to community colleges

Editor: Cynthia Eaton

Co-Editor: Joyce Gabriele

President: Ellen Schuler Mauk

Class IV

AWARD OF MERIT

Solidarity Award

Smithtown Teachers' Association

FACULTY FOCUS

Headline: *Why do fish swim in schools?*

Author: *Max Strieb*

Editor: Joanne McElroy

President: Rich Forzano

Class V

FIRST PLACE

Best Community Outreach Using Electronic Media

Middle Island Teachers Association

The Lion's P.A.W.

Headline: *Using e-mail groups for community and entire district outreach*

Webmaster: Donna Roenbeck

President: Doug Roenbeck

Co-President: Donna Roenbeck

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Community Outreach Using Electronic Media

BOCES Educators of Eastern Suffolk

THE BEACON

Webmaster: Nancy Rosati

President: Thelma Shaw

Class V

FIRST PLACE

Best Editorial Design

Sachem Central Teachers' Association

Speak Out

Headline: *NYS teachers are angry*

Designer: Mary Jane Maione

Editor: Lori Pritchett

President: John Heslin

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Editorial Design

BOCES Educators of Eastern Suffolk

THE BEACON

Headline: *You gotta go down and join the union*

Designer: Dr. Thomas Rosati

Author: Jim Beck

Editor: Dr. Thomas Rosati

President: Thelma Shaw

Class V

FIRST PLACE

Best Feature Story

Union of Clerical, Administrative & Technical Staff at NYU

Momentum

Headline: *Art show success*

Author: Chris Crowe

Editor: Stephen Rechner

President: Stephen Rechner

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Feature Story

Sachem Central Teachers' Association

Speak Out

Headline: *Randy Reader bids farewell to Waverly*

Author: Susan Hart

Editor: Lori Pritchett

President: John Heslin

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Feature Story

United University Professions - Stony Brook Health Sciences Center Chapter

Bridges

Headline: *Stony Brook home*

Author: Ian Hu

Editor: Pam White

President: Kathy Southerton

Class V

FIRST PLACE

Best News Story

Union of Clerical, Administrative & Technical Staff at NYU

Momentum

Headline: *NYU 2031 overview*

Author: Kerissa Ward

Editor: Stephen Rechner

President: Stephen Rechner

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

Buffalo Teachers Federation

PROVOCATOR

Headline: *BTF is proactive in fight for flu prevention procedures in schools*

Author: Chris Salamone

Editor: Barbara Bielecki

President: Philip Rumore

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best News Story

United University Professions - Stony Brook Health Sciences Center Chapter

Bridges

Headline: *President's Message*

Author: Kathy Southerton

Editor: Pam White

President: Kathy Southerton

Class V

FIRST PLACE

Best Opinion Writing

Buffalo Teachers Federation

PROVOCATOR

Headline: *Can they really be this ignorant? Or are they intent on destroying public education? Or are they blindly drinking Kool-Aid? Or all of the above.*

Author: Philip Rumore

Editor: Barbara Bielecki

President: Philip Rumore

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

Sachem Central Teachers' Association

Speak Out

Headline: *What's going on?*

Author: John Heslin

Editor: Lori Pritchett

President: John Heslin

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

Union of Clerical, Administrative & Technical Staff at NYU

Momentum

Headline: *Exploiting a crisis, NYU manufactures misery*

Author: Stephen Rechner

Editor: Stephen Rechner

President: Stephen Rechner

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

United University Professions - Stony Brook Health Sciences Center Chapter

Bridges

Headline: *Flu vaccines: The choice is now yours*

Author: Kathy Southerton

Editor: Pam White

President: Kathy Southerton

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Buffalo Teachers Federation

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Sachem Central Teachers' Association

Speak Out

Editor: Lori Pritchett

President: John Heslin

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Best Publication

United University Professions - Stony Brook West Campus Chapter

INSIGHT

Editor: Pamela Wolfskill

President: Arthur Shertzer

Class V

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BOCES Educators of Eastern Suffolk

BOCES Educators of Eastern Suffolk Website

Webmaster: Nancy Rosati

President: Thelma Shaw

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United University Professions - Stony Brook Health Sciences Center Chapter

United University Professions - Stony Brook Health Sciences Center Chapter Website

Webmaster: Bruce Kube

President: Kathy Southerton

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Solidarity Award

BOCES Educators of Eastern Suffolk

THE BEACON

Headline: *Unions matter - Thelma Shaw's president's report*

Editor: Dr. Thomas Rosati

President: Thelma Shaw

Class V

AWARD OF MERIT

Solidarity Award

Buffalo Teachers Federation

PROVOCATOR

Headline: *Cuts to education budget are "immoral" Rumore tells state finance committee*

Editor: Barbara Bielecki

President: Philip Rumore

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Sachem Central Teachers' Association

Speak Out

Headline: *You put the you in union*

Editor: Lori Pritchett

President: John Heslin

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