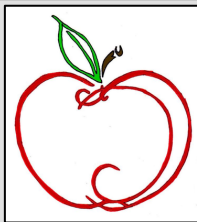


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Don't Be Left Out!

All members are encouraged to set up a
profile with the NYS Teachers Retirement System.
Sign up at nysters.org

There are only 3 weeks
left to utilize your
vision benefit!

Time is
Running
Out



- Eye exams
• Prescription glasses, sunglasses, or
lenses
• NON-prescription sunglasses/blue
light glasses

Any eye care services, or products must be
completed or purchased with a receipt by
December 31, 2022.

SAVE the DATE!
FFT Night with the
NY Islanders: 1/21/23



ISLANDERS VS HURRICANES
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 | 7:30PM

The Islanders are excited to welcome the Farmingdale Federation of Teachers with a special
night of Islanders hockey. We can't wait to see you at UBS Arena! Tickets start as low as \$70.

For more information, email Denis Rice at Denis.Rice@newyorkislanders.com



DID YOU
KNOW?



FFT members are given the
opportunity to advance on the
salary schedule through
continued education. Salary
increases are given in
September and February.

- 60% must be graduate
credits
(9 of the 15 needed) and the
rest maybe in-service
credits.
• Courses must have District
prior approval through
MyLearningPlan.
• Approved 3-credit NYSUT
courses will be weighted to
4.5 credits for the purpose of
salary advancement.
• Courses must be completed
in person.

Contact Mary Rogers with any specific
questions concerning an increase.

Know Your Contract
It's Your Right!

## Still Time to Register for Weighted Courses:

**NYSUT** classes that are **weighted** for the **2022-2023** school year are:

### **Toolbox for the Inclusion Classroom: Practical Strategies for all Students**

SUNY Empire State College: Curl 6531

Instructor: Kim Wagner

Location: Farmingdale High School Library

Time: 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM

Dates: 2/18, 3/4, 3/18, 4/1, 4/22

### **Making Thinking Visible**

SUNY Empire State College: CURI 6562

Instructor: Kira Martelli

Location: Saltzman East Memorial Library

Time: 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Dates: 1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16



Check the course availability through [mylearningplan.com](http://mylearningplan.com) and complete the prior approval form from the district.

## The 2023 NYSUT Convention

Remember to **VOTE** for the NYSUT and AFT Convention Delegates on December 15, 2022.

Voting will take place in each building at the end of the school day.



## What's Happening?

*We need stories! Please submit a short blurb and any photos to share what you are doing in your schools. Our newsletter reaches every resident who lives in Farmingdale.*

*Let them know the excellence that is the FFT!*

*Submit stories to building reps or email*

*Kathie Gaghan at the FFT Office*

*[fft2ndvp@gmail.com](mailto:fft2ndvp@gmail.com)*

## FFT Sponsorship 2023

The FFT will once again sponsor one Farmingdale Baseball or Softball League team for the Spring 2023 Season.