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Hello,

My name is Mike Gowans, President of the Alpine Education Association (AEA), representing approximately 1950 educators, including teachers, counselors, speech language pathologists, social workers, psychologists, and occupational and physical therapists.

The AEA works closely with the Alpine School District (ASD) to provide an excellent education for each and every student, and is the only employee organization authorized to represent all educators in the ASD. The AEA works collaboratively and as a team with the ASD in revising policies, negotiating benefits and salary, and in advocating for and improving the working conditions for all educators. The AEA provides many benefits that supports our educators, including the following:

- A one-million-dollar liability policy.
- A “United Voice” with approximately over 1950 other educators.
- The AEA is the only association that has the right to negotiate benefits and salary, along with working with the ASD on policy, our evaluation system, contract hours and much more.
- Members qualify for our exclusive Member-Benefits Programs, where they save money on mortgages, personal loans, credit cards, insurance, restaurants, hotels, rental cars, and other services.
- UEA legal services for employment challenges, and members may also be assisted and given support by the Alpine UniServ full-time professional staff.

It is also important to point out that the AEA provides the dental program for ASD educators; enrollment is voluntary. The major medical health insurance program is provided through the ASD.

Please take a moment to review our AEA website, which provides a comprehensive overview of the role the AEA plays in providing a quality education for our students and in supporting our educators. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me, or you can contact the AEA office at 801-224-2055. We would be happy to take your call and answer your questions.

Sincerely,

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“The AEA – Supporting Educators in Alpine School District”

# TOP 10 REASONS TO JOIN the



**1 Advocacy and Representation**  
We are a highly-respected organization that promotes the highest standards and ethics. We recognize that educators' working conditions are students' learning conditions – we work hard to protect both.

**2 Professional Development**  
Members have access to a wide variety of professional development training opportunities including: classroom management, Praxis preparation, advocacy, collective bargaining, classroom discipline, political action, human and civil rights, the opportunity to earn licensure points and more.

**3 Your Lifeline**  
The educator's best source of accurate, timely information is the Association. We are on top of all current laws, regulations and policies impacting public education. Between the UEA's website (myUEA.org) and Association publications, you will get an in-depth focus on current issues and late-breaking news on the education front.

**4 Legal Services for Your Professional Life**  
Our Association provides comprehensive legal assistance for a wide range of employment matters such as: performance evaluations; discipline; non-renewals; lay-offs and dismissals and daily problems among faculty and staff or with the administration. This job protection is backed by professional liability insurance, paid for with your NEA dues.

**5 Your Voice**  
Educators must take an active role in promoting and protecting public education because no one cares as much about our students, our profession or our needs as we do. We speak as a unified voice to influence reform and progress.

**6 Your Classroom, the State and the Nation**  
The Association continually promotes quality public schools, quality teachers, modern and up-to-date learning tools and smaller class sizes so educators can spend one-on-one time with students.

**7 Discounts**  
Your membership entitles you to discounts on special services like auto, homeowners, renters and life insurance. In addition, we provide reductions for entertainment events, computers, books, magazines, travel and restaurants in Utah and throughout the nation. Many UEA members save more than their annual dues by utilizing Association discounts.

**8 Networking**  
Members have numerous opportunities to get together and network. You can connect with other education professionals from across the state who may be dealing with the same issues you are.

**9 Relationships**  
We reach the public with members' views and build the image of public school employees through media relations, television and radio advertising, special events and other public relations activities.

**10 Professional Association**  
We are educators, united to make a positive difference in education and to support each other. These ideals are what the Association is all about!



## What Does Membership Buy In The Alpine Education Association?

- Professionals join their organizations (AMA-Doctors, ADA Dentists, ABA – Lawyers)
- The majority of Alpine teachers join. Educators unite for a strong voice for education (national, state, and local issues)
- A “United Voice” with other educators
- Full time education lobby efforts (National, State, and Local)
- \$1,000,000 legal protection
- Full time staff to help you
- Access to member benefits (credit cards, loans, insurance and car discounts, and Access card)
- Local negotiations for salary and benefits
- Professional training and workshops
- You are part of the Professional Team!
- You are never alone!

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# Welcome!

Being a member with UEA doesn't cost, it pays!



Membership in the UEA entitles you to many ongoing discounts and benefits, including:

- Development, resources and support
- Money-saving programs
- Legal protection and advocacy

Offset the cost of your membership dues by using the UEA Access to Savings program. With your Access benefit, save hundreds of dollars at over 5,000 Utah merchants and 350,000 merchants nationwide!

## How do I get started?

### Online:

Register on myUEA.org and create a member login and password, then click on Access Member Discounts.

### Mobile:

1. Search for the My Deals Mobile® app.
2. Already have an account?  
Enter your Access email and password to log in.
3. New user? SETUP ACCOUNT and enter Program ID 8478. Provide your email address and if prompted, your 10-digit UEA ID Number.



Featured discounts on the Access program include:



And many more!