



# The MRTA Facts

**MRTA is a 501 (c)(4) not-for-profit corporation.** This tax status mandates that MRTA represent ALL educators and support staff statewide whether they are MRTA members or not. We are proud to do so!

**Many MRTA members are members of Superintendents, Principals, AFT of Missouri, MSTA-R and MNEA-R organizations.** Joining MRTA does not have to be an either/or choice. Please join both and invest in your pension protection and help our active colleagues. An MRTA membership is an inexpensive "pension insurance policy" at only \$35 per year, so please join now at [www.mrta.org](http://www.mrta.org). **THERE IS STRENGTH AND SAFETY IN NUMBERS.** MRTA is 22,000 strong and growing.

**MRTA is Independent.** MRTA is not affiliated with any active teacher/educator association or political party.

**MRTA is Nonpartisan.** We do not endorse candidates. We educate members on the feelings and positions of candidates. We have both Democrats and Republicans as MRTA Leaders. This makes us quite effective at the Capitol in Jefferson City.

**MRTA's NUMBER ONE PRIORITY IS THE EDUCATION RETIREE.** An example is the 2007 tax cuts (HB 444) for education retiree pension income. These tax exemptions were an MRTA priority. ALL other education associations opposed or were silent on these exemptions for retired educators, veterans, and Social Security pensioners.

**MRTA Membership is \$35 per year** and you have a choice to purchase MRTA Classroom Liability Insurance at \$17.25 per year. A BARGAIN if you need Classroom Liability Insurance. MRTA has many other benefits and discounts. See Membership Benefits at [www.mrta.org](http://www.mrta.org).

