

California Teachers Association (CTA) - Role Profile

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Part 1: Individual/Organization Profile

Name of organization:

California Teachers Association (CTA)

Lobbying expenses over the past few years

- Total Org Contributions to legislators
 - 2024: **\$1,931,972.00**
 - 2023: **\$578,252.94**
 - 2022: **\$1,321,953.07**
 - 2021: **\$53,400.00**
 - 2020: **\$646,300.00**

General positions on economic, social, and environmental issues (as applicable)

Economic/Education:

- Supportive of Collective Bargaining/Unions
- Belief in Quality, Free Public Education for All
- School Safety: Students must be safe from physical, verbal, and psychological violence. Supportive of smoke-free, drug-free, and weapon-free campuses
- Charter Schools: Helping Charter schools to Unionize, Ensuring Charter schools face the proper oversight/transparency
- Community Schools: Advocating for the creation of more Community schools where Children are not just taught academics, but learn in environments that make them feel safe, valued, engaged, challenged, healthy, and connected.
- Smaller Class Size

- Access to Preschool for all students
- Retirement Security for Teachers
- Increase/retention of School Funding
- Improvement in Special Education, Adult Education & Early Childhood Education:
- Alternative/Restorative Discipline

Social:

- Racial Justice
- Ethnic Studies
- Families Belong Together (Immigration)
- Creating Safe Zones: Ensuring schools remain a safe space for all students (Bullying, Harassment, & Slurs will not be tolerated)
- Students' and Educators' Civil Rights
- LGBTQ+ Students: Advocate for the safety and protection of expression for LGBTQ+ students, including taking a gender affirming stance regarding Transgender Athletes and the use of gendered spaces.
- Equity for Girls and Women
- Stopping Hate and Bias
- Confronting White Nationalism
- Restorative Justice Practices
- Economic Justice
- Mental Health and Self-Care
- Immigration Reform: Ensuring Schools remain safe havens from ICE agents/immigration authorities.

Environmental:

- Not Applicable

Identify constituents

- CTA represents approximately **310,000** Teachers within the state of California (Approximately **82.2%** of all California teachers)
- Map of 2023-2024 TK/K-12 Certificated staff counts by county according to CA Department of Education: **377,026** total

- **Race/Ethnicity (2023-2024):**
 - White (**53.7%**)
 - Hispanic (**26.6%**)
 - Asian (**6.2%**)
 - None Reported (**5.4%**)
 - Black or African American (**4.2%**)
 - Filipino (**1.8%**)
 - Two or More Races (**1.2%**)
 - American Indian or Alaska Native (**0.6%**)
 - Pacific Islander (**0.3%**)

Politics:

Voter Registration Party information for the top 5 counties with the most teachers (As of February 10, 2025):

Los Angeles- 90,326 Teachers

- Registered Voters: 5,802,795
 - Democratic: 2,995,275 (51.62%)
 - Republican: 1,086,686 (18.73%)
 - American Independent: 191,612 (3.30%)
 - No Party Preference: 1,328,588 (22.90%)

San Diego- 31,522 Teachers

- Registered Voters: 2,017,421
 - Democratic: 817,845 (40.54%)
 - Republican: 560,400 (27.78%)
 - American Independent: 90,514 (4.49%)
 - No Party Preference: 483,118 (23.95%)

Orange- 27,423 Teachers

- Registered Voters: 1,892,572
 - Democratic: 689,027 (37.61%)
 - Republican: 603,158 (33.07%)
 - American Independent: 67,667 (3.71%)
 - No Party Preference: 424,286 (23.27%)

Riverside- 25,012 Teachers

- Registered Voters: 1,331,201
 - Democratic: 538,385 (40.44%)
 - Republican: 416,415 (31.28%)
 - American Independent: 60,389 (4.54%)
 - No Party Preference: 270,162 (20.29%)

San Bernardino- 24,547 Teachers

- Registered Voters: 1,166,438

- Democratic: 478,260 (41.00%)
- Republican: 341,581 (29.28%)
- American Independent: 55,436 (4.75%)
- No Party Preference: 246,578 (21.14%)

5 Issues important to my constituents:

- Better Pay
- Smaller Class Sizes
- Strengthen discipline policies for disruptive behavior
- Better Staffing, more manageable workload
- More supportive services for students

Constituents' general positions on...

Education & Economic Issues:

- Increase in teacher pay & retirement security
- Decrease in school class size
- Better funding for schools
- Other Education & Economic issues have more differing opinions among teachers

Social Issues:

- Creating Safe Zones: Ensuring schools remain a safe space for all students (Bullying, Harassment, & Slurs will not be tolerated)
- Most other Social issues are more highly debated among teachers; many agree with the CTA's positions, however, others believe that the CTA's positions are too extreme

Sources:

- California Teachers Association Membership Numbers & General Positions: [California Teachers Association](#)
- Total Organization Contributions: [Digital Democracy - Cal Matters](#)
- Demographics Data: [California Department of Education](#)