

NPEA MEMBER BENEFITS AND SERVICES

Annual Conference

- Held annually in April, the NPEA conference is our signature activity. Hosted in a different city each year, the two-day conference is open to members and non-members and includes a combination of workshop sessions, keynote speakers, panel presentations, and networking events. A reduced registration fee is available for all NPEA members.

Bell Curves

- NPEA members are eligible to receive select Bell Curves services for free. These services include workshops for middle and high school students on a range of college readiness topics including selecting the right high school courses, choosing a college, creating a winning college admissions plan, and more.

BetterLesson

- NPEA members are invited to participate in an online group for sharing instructional resources and best practices through our partnership with BetterLesson. Designed to help teachers avoid “reinventing the wheel,” BetterLesson is an online forum that connects teachers from diverse instructional and geographic communities and helps them to organize and share lesson plans and instructional resources. Access to BetterLesson is available free to NPEA members.

Center for Student Opportunity Guide

- The Center for Student Opportunity’s *College Access and Opportunity Guide* is an essential guidebook for underrepresented students as they consider college enrollment. The guidebook includes in-depth profiles of over 230 colleges and universities identified for their commitment to serving and supporting students from first-generation, underrepresented backgrounds. Single-issue and bulk discounts are available on this guidebook for all NPEA members.

EqualApp

- NPEA members are eligible for discounts on EqualApp services. EqualApp is an online college admissions counseling program developed by former Ivy League admissions officers that provides students and families with insider knowledge, application tools, and personalized support to improve admission application.

Facebook Fan Page

- Become a fan of NPEA on Facebook and stay connected with twice weekly posts featuring a range of topics including current news and events in the field, news stories on NPEA members, and thought provoking articles and commentary.

Meet and Greets at other conferences

- NPEA staff members attend a range of conferences throughout the year. When possible, we coordinate informal get-togethers for members also attending the conference as a way to catch up and network. We also help facilitate similar meet and greets at conferences if we know several members will be attending, regardless of whether we are attending.

Newsletter

- Our monthly newsletter contains invaluable information including industry related news, upcoming events, current research and best practices, member updates and spotlights, and much more. Each newsletter contains links to current research and journal articles on topics including management, program, student services, tools of the trade, and best practices.

NPEA Connect

- NPEA Connect is an online, members-only forum that allows members to connect with one another, post information, access a membership directory, ask questions, and participate in online discussions. NPEA Connect is also your source for members-only benefits including research briefs, postings on upcoming webinars and conferences, and more.

NPEA Notes

- NPEA Notes is a bi-monthly email summarizing timely information in the field, including new research, best practices, current trends, etc. Brief by design, the Notes provide a snapshot of the information and contain links to relevant resources.

One-on-One Phone Calls

- NPEA staff members are always available for one-on-one phone calls with members. The calls can be used to inquire about services, ask for information related to a specific topic, or for help in making connections and networking with others. We love to hear from members and encourage you to call or email with any questions, comments, or ideas.

Opportunity to present at NPEA conferences

- We encourage all members to submit proposals to present at our annual conference. The call for workshop proposals is distributed to all NPEA members in September. Presenting at the conference is an excellent way to showcase the work you are doing in your school or organization and serves as an excellent professional development opportunity for many.

Opportunity to co-present at other conference

- NPEA staff members present at conferences throughout the year, including in panel presentations. We invite NPEA members to participate in such presentations when they arise. Similarly, we encourage NPEA members to present together and help facilitate such presentations whenever possible.

Princeton Review services discount

- The Princeton Review, a leader in test preparation, offers deeply discounted rates for NPEA organizational members on their SAT, PSAT, and ACT test prep services. They also offer free Roadmap to College Seminars regionally to NPEA members.

Professional Development Phone Calls

- NPEA hosts monthly professional development phone calls on a variety of topics. Typically an hour in length, the calls cover a range of topics and are lead by leaders in their industry, both members and non-members. Recordings are made available to NPEA members for one month following the original call date.

Research Briefs

- NPEA offers 2-3 page research briefs summarizing current access-related research. The briefs highlight key findings and takeaways from lengthier research articles, and are designed to provide members with a snapshot of current research in the field.

TADS

- NPEA has partnered with TADS, a leading provider of admissions/enrollment, financial aid and billing/tuition management technology services for schools and programs, to provide a discount for TADS services. TADS provides end-to-end, affordable services for your school or program's admissions, enrollment, financial aid and tuition management/billing systems.

Website

- The NPEA website offers a host of resources, including member profiles, annual conference information, regional resources, student resources, job postings, and links to topics of interest including best practices, staffing, fundraising, evaluation and more.

WilsonDailyPrep Services

- WilsonDailyPrep is available free to NPEA members through 2011. WilsonDailyPrep is an SAT and ACT test prep service that includes emailed prep questions and regular feedback. Students participate in lessons and have access to quizzes, a live personal coach, interactive vocabulary building games, and much more.

For more information on any of these benefits, please contact Carrie Tate, Member Services Associate, at ctate@tsf.org or 617-423-6300 x. 288. You may also learn more on our website: www.educational-access.org