

July 2026 - Election Ballot Enclosed



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PEI Professional Educators of Iowa

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LIMITED TIME CHANCE!!
July 1-September 30

RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS
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PEI's all new Get 1 Give 1 Recruitment Incentive Program will run from July 1 through September 30, 2026. During this limited-time promotion,

current PEI members will receive a \$50 Amazon Gift Card for each new Professional or Support-level member they refer to PEI. There is no cap or limit to how many gift cards you can receive! Recruit 10 members and you and the members will receive a cumulative \$1000 worth of incentives.

VOTE NOW

PEI Board of Directors Candidates

PEI currently has **two open seats** on the Association Board of Directors and **two outstanding candidates**. The following candidates are running for the board and will serve a three-year term. Please read their bios and vote using [the Google form](#) or mail in your selections by USPS.

The final day to vote is **Wednesday, July 30, 2028**.

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My Name is **Erin Cook**. I will begin my 19th year teaching at Pleasantville High School this fall. This is the same school that I graduated from, as did my husband, my parents, and that my kids attend. I am also involved with the FFA, student council, and MTSS at PHS. I graduated from Iowa State University with an agricultural education endorsement, and later



My name is **Aaron Pals** and I've been working in schools for over 20 years., I was fortunate to hold roles as a special education teacher, general education teacher, soccer coach, adjunct professor, and administrator. Currently, I serve as an elementary principal at Grand View Christian School in Des Moines. I hold a BA in elementary education from Upper Iowa, an MAT

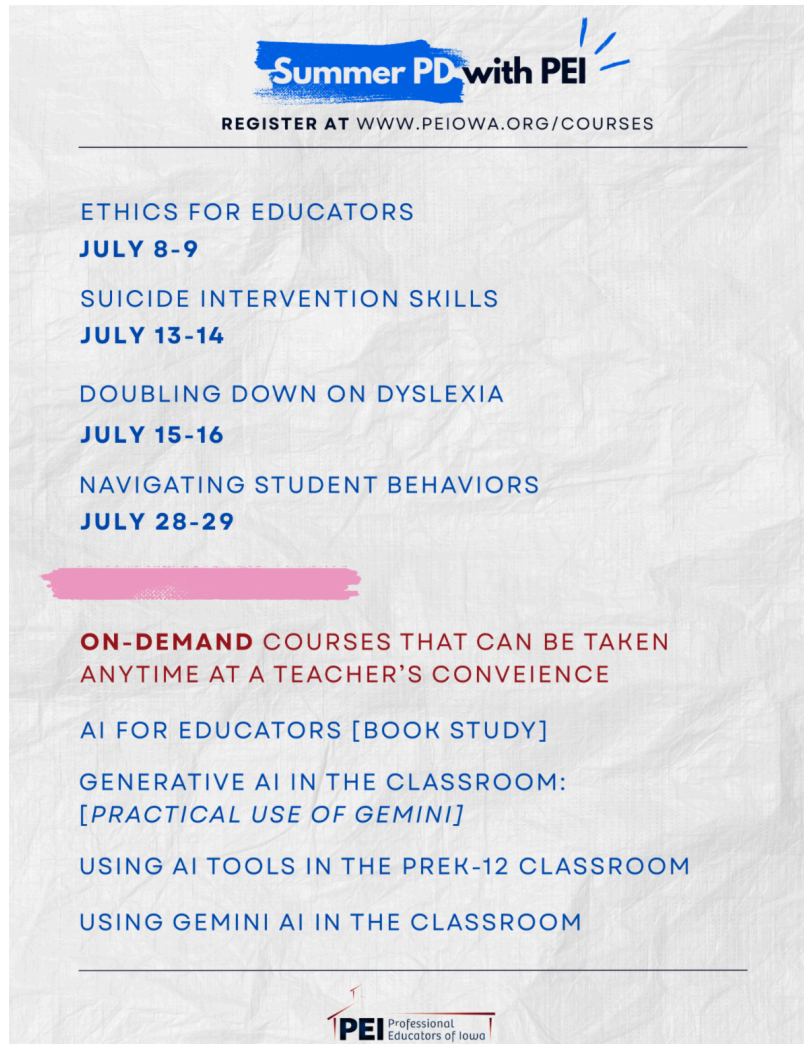
from Morningside College with my Masters of Ed with a special education endorsement. I am passionate about preparing students for life after high school.

My husband Todd, and children Jake and Emmy, reside on an acreage outside of Pleasantville with our horses and dogs. We are active in following the kids' athletics, 4-H/FFA, and with our church. This will be my 16th year as a PEI member. During my time on the Board I have provided the perspective from a rural high school.

in teaching from Morningside, and an M.Ed. in administration from Iowa State University. I am married to Laura, a 4th grade teacher, and we have two children.

It would be an honor to continue to serve the members of PEI as a board member. PEI gives teachers and staff the voice and the protection they need to do their jobs well. Seeing how PEI has handled tough situations with patience and grace only bolsters my confidence in the value of what this organization provides.

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JULY 8-9

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JULY 15-16

NAVIGATING STUDENT BEHAVIORS
JULY 28-29

ON-DEMAND COURSES THAT CAN BE TAKEN
ANYTIME AT A TEACHER'S CONVEINENCE

AI FOR EDUCATORS [BOOK STUDY]

GENERATIVE AI IN THE CLASSROOM:
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AUG 1 (8AM) SAT
AUG 10 (11:59PM) MON

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