

WHAT IS TIGER PRIDE?

TOTAL INVOLVEMENT in GOVERNMENT & EDECATION REFORM

I have stated publicly on many occasions, **PUBLIC EDUCATION SHOULD NOT BE POLITICAL**, however, politics directly affect your union and your profession. What comes out of Tallahassee as a result of the Legislative Sessions, are laws that impact how we work, how we get paid and how we are expected to impact students.

USEP's Political Action Committee, **TIGER Pride**, consists of members who advocate for Public Education and its employees. We support candidates and statewide officials who support our causes locally and in Tallahassee and Washington. Support of our issues is largely a result of our political influence.

Salaries, certification, school safety, education reform, health care, retirement and individual rights are important to us. With your collective support, TIGER Pride can make a difference on these and other pertinent issues by electing and supporting true friends of education and holding them accountable.

Only **TIGER Pride** dues go towards these political endeavors. **NO USEP DUES ARE USED FOR POLITICAL CAUSES.** **TIGER Pride** is non-partisan. Political party affiliation is not considered for endorsement, only voting records and stance on Public Education concerns. **TIGER Pride** does not tell union members how to vote but does make recommendations based on candidate records and stance on Public Education concerns. Being a USEP member does not make you a **TIGER Pride** member.

HOW DO I JOIN? You can join by completing the attached card and either checking the box for payroll deduction (you can have as little as \$1 per payroll deducted) or by making a cash payment (minimum payment of \$10). By making this commitment, you are helping our voice become **LOUDER** when we advocate on behalf of all Public Education employees throughout the state. This is the only means we have to stand up for our profession and educate the legislators in Tallahassee on the issues.

Please seriously consider becoming invested in our profession! Join **TIGER Pride** today!

Join with your **PERSONAL EMAIL** as USEP cannot communicate political information using DSBPC email!