

TIPS, TRICKS, AND GUIDANCE FOR NEW EDUCATORS

CTA and NEA are dedicated to helping educators at every stage of their career. The new **School Me** series is made specifically with new and early educators in mind. We know those first few years can be extremely challenging, so we're sitting down with accomplished educators to discuss their unique techniques and best practices, and to get their invaluable advice in the form of blogs, podcasts, and tip videos.

Take a look around: neatoday.org/school-me



PODCAST

New to education? This podcast brings you advice from educators who have been there, done that. Get classroom management tips, lesson plan ideas, and other life-hacks to help inspire your career.



VIDEO

From classroom management to crafting how-tos, the School Me videos offer tips and tricks to try out in your classroom.



BLOG

The School Me blog series is a collection of blogs written by NEA members and experienced educators with advice and tips on how to thrive in your first few years as an educator.



WEBINARS

Join us for monthly webinars where experienced educators share training and resources across education topics.









TIPS TO FUND YOUR CLASSROOM

Did you know teachers spend more than \$500 each year on school supplies? Of course you did!

Try these tips on securing small dollar contributions to help out.

Crowdfunding is an easy way to get small dollar support for your students.

Visit donorschoose.org to create an account.

Then just follow these guidelines for maximum results.



Focus on your students and not supplies. What do they need to succeed?



Skip jargon. Funders aren't educators - describing your need in clear language increases your impact and success.



Keep it simple. Start with a goal of about \$100-\$200 dollars.
Build the momentum with successful outcomes.



Catch the eye. "Bring nature into class" is better than "we really need \$". Help potential funders make a connection.



Spread the word and keep it going. Make success your starting point. Follow-up with another proposal and share your success with others!



