

# Help elect OEA's endorsed candidates to the STRS Board



## **ROBERT MCFEE**

- **Math teacher at Willoughby-Eastlake Schools**
- **OEA Board of Directors member**

## **JEFFREY RHODES**

- **Technology education teacher at North Royalton High School**
- **OEA Board of Directors member**

## **Vote for Robert McFee and Jeffrey Rhodes for the STRS Board**

**Ballots will be mailed in early April. Votes must be received by **May 7, 2018**.**

**#SecureOurPension**

**#Jeff&Rob4STRS**

## How to Vote

Ballots for the STRS Board election will be mailed in **early April 2018**. There are two contributing member seats on the STRS Board up for election. Our endorsed candidates are **Robert McFee** and **Jeffrey Rhodes**.

### Members will have three voting options:

1. **Mail:** Fill out the enclosed ballot and return it in the postage-paid envelope.
2. **Phone:** Call the toll-free number included with your ballot. You will need your PIN number included with your ballot.
3. **Online:** Go to the web address included with your ballot. You will need your PIN number included with your ballot.

**Please note** that STRS is not releasing the voting phone number or web address prior to ballots being mailed.

If you do not receive your ballot or misplace it, you will need a new ballot. Call the STRS Member Services Center toll-free at 1-888-227-7877.

**The deadline for voting is Monday, May 7, 2018.**

## Talking Points

### Summary Message

- Robert McFee and Jeffrey Rhodes are dedicated to ensuring we have secure, reliable pensions and access to health care benefits in retirement.
- They have the training and knowledge to advocate for teachers as our representatives on the STRS Board.

### Background and Experience

- Robert McFee is a math teacher for Willoughby-Eastlake Schools.
- Jeffrey Rhodes is a technology education teacher for North Royalton Schools.
- Both candidates have received extensive training on pension and health care issues.
- They have advocated for their fellow teachers on the local, state and national level.
- Both candidates screened with OEA members and were endorsed by the OEA Board of Directors.

### Priorities

- **Secure Pensions**—The STRS Board must ensure that pension benefits are secure and reliable for all its members.
- **Restoring the COLA**—They will work to re-establish cost-of-living allowance for members as financial conditions improve.
- **Health care**—There is no secure retirement without access to affordable health care. The STRS Board must continue to provide access to health care for current and future retirees.