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## If you DON'T care about...

- ✓ funds for your school
- ✓ keeping your job
- ✓ collective bargaining
- ✓ your pension
- ✓ some politicians demeaning and devaluing the work you do,



## by all means, THROW THIS AWAY...

**X** Just know the trash can is your voting machine for

- ✓ more funding c
- ✓ more program c
- ✓ less job security
- ✓ lower standard of living
- ✓ more attacks on your profession.



## If you do care—and we know you do—then follow these 5 easy steps.

1. Assemble the necessary tools for the job:
 

a. A pen (blue or black ink will work)	d. A desire to change your future for the better
b. Your credit card or checkbook	e. Confidence you can make a difference
c. The PACE return envelope in this Voice	f. Three minutes
2. Fill out the envelope
3. Make a donation using your credit card or a personal check—any amount will make a difference
4. Seal the envelope and mail (no postage necessary)
5. Smile, you just made a difference.





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## Here's why we need your PACE donation (and why you should ask your colleagues to contribute):

- ELECTIONS HAVE CONSEQUENCES
- Like it or not, school funding, vouchers, bargaining, evaluation, pensions, and your job security are determined by political decisions
- Elections are won by votes, but they are fueled by campaign contributions; PSEA-PACE provides this fuel to the campaigns of pro-public education candidates
- PSEA-PACE recommends pro-public education Republicans and Democrats
- All members voluntarily donating to PACE will help ensure PSEA's strength and preparedness for the 2012 elections.

## Can you really afford NOT to make a donation? Consider these facts:

- The anti-public education forces are powerful and have deep pockets. A small circle of billionaires, in a three-week period in April, contributed nearly \$1.3 million to the political action committee of the pro-voucher group, Students First
- And if that's not enough, a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling allows big corporations to directly fund political campaigns
- And let's face it, their contributions won't stop
- We need your donation today.

### Important facts about



- PSEA-PACE is non-partisan
- PACE contributions are strictly voluntary
- PSEA-PACE supports pro-public education candidates
- No PSEA dues money goes to PACE; it is against the law
- PACE decisions and recommendations are made by PSEA members who donate their time and energy in service through PSEA-PACE.

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