

I am a Korean American non-traditional student from Virginia, where I attend college at Shenandoah University working toward a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. As an active Aspiring Educators leader for the last five years, I have had the honor to serve as my chapter president and state AE president, as well as a member of the NEA Advisory Committee on Aspiring Educators and the NEA Resolutions Committee. Currently, I serve as the NEA Asian Pacific Islander Caucus Aspiring Educator Representative and a NEA Board Director for Aspiring Educators.

Through my experiences, I have found my voice and gained a passion for advocacy. In my present role as a NEA Board Director, I have continued to lift up aspiring educator stories and help lead our collective fight for paid student teaching. I have also worked tirelessly to ensure that aspiring educators have access to culturally responsive pedagogy resources not offered in our teacher prep programs. Most importantly, I have embraced my role as a leader and stepped up to bring racial and social justice issues to the front of every conversation and lift up our BIPOC members.