

What Your Co-Workers Say About The 403(b)

"I have been saving for retirement since the day I started teaching 21 years ago. Ten years later I was much more familiar with WEA Member Benefits and what they had to offer for me as a school employee so I switched from my current large corporation retirement service to WEA's 403(b) Tax Shelter Annuity. I was skeptical about the paperwork and fees involved in transferring my funds. I had a one-on-one meeting with one of their consultants who came right to our school to meet with me and help take care of everything. The consultant was professional, but personable and had my best interest in mind. Worry free and hassle free! And Free!"

~ Brenda Bestor, High School Teacher

"When I first started teaching 14 years ago in the district, I was advised by a colleague to sign up for a 403(b) to get started on my retirement. Since the district allows you to have this directly deducted from your check, it was a quick and painless way to get this process moving. When I first started out after college, I wasn't able to contribute very much at first, but it was also money I probably wouldn't have saved had it not come directly out of my check. As the years have gone by, I have been able to easily raise this amount to my current needs. Although, I have many years until retirement, I feel very fortunate to have been given that advice at a young age. It isn't usually one of your first thoughts as a brand new teacher, but I am still very grateful for the advice!"

~ Kaycee Templin – Middle School Teacher

"I started a 403b tax sheltered annuity the year I started teaching. It has been effortless to save money in this way. I get quarterly updates that let me know how my tax sheltered annuity is doing. I have also contacted WEA with questions regarding my tax sheltered annuity and they have been very helpful. I have been able to save money over these past 21 years and not even had to think about it. WEA is a great company to work with!"

~ Erica Gronley – Middle School Teacher

"I knew there was more I could be doing for my retirement but did not know what that was. I met with a WEA Member Benefits representative and we talked through the options I had with the 403(b) plan. It was so easy for me to enroll and the representative opened my eyes to the importance of saving for my retirement. There is no such thing as starting too early. Starting early is the key to being able to retire in the comfort level that you feel you need."

~ Mechelle Thompson – Human Resource Specialist