

# BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Benefits of Membership	Local	ARTA
Provides professional development and leadership opportunities	✓	✓
Offers fellowship with retired colleagues	✓	✓
Offers programming and information on topics of interest to retirees and older persons	✓	✓
Community service and volunteer opportunities	✓	✓
Provides a functional and united professional organization for all retired school personnel	✓ statewide	✓ local
Access to public resources such as the ARTA web site and ARTA on social media	✓	✓
Subscription to the INTERLINK quarterly newsletter		✓
Annual State Convention		✓
Maintains a staffed office to coordinate state activities and provide support to local units		✓
Group Travel Opportunities		✓
Member Discount Programs and Consultations		✓
Representation at relevant committee meetings of the Arkansas State Legislature		✓
Advocates for adequate and affordable health benefits for present and future retirees		✓
Maintains cooperative relationships with the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, AARP and other organizations to monitor mutual interests		✓
Advocates for secure and improved retirement benefits for <i>all</i> retirees		✓

