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Dear CASA, AFSA Local 20 Member,

We hope this communication finds you and your family safe, healthy, and well.

We are writing this communication to remind you that as a member of CASA, you are also a member of the American Federation of School Administrators (AFSA) AFL-CIO. As a member of AFSA, you are entitled to a number of benefits that are only offered to dues paying union members.

As a union member you are entitled to many benefits. Today, we would like to highlight one benefit in particular – tuition free college for Union members and their families. Yes, as remarkable as it may seem, this union member benefit provides the opportunity for free college for full dues paying members and their families. FREE COLLEGE, HARD TO BELIEVE BUT TRUE!

Recently, this free college benefit has become available to union members through AFSA's and AFL-CIO's **Union Plus** program. The benefit is available to Union members and members of their families. Family members are defined as children (or stepchildren), grandchildren (or step-grandchildren), spouses, domestic partners, financial dependents, siblings, and parents.

Below are two links regarding the free college benefit. The first link will take you to a fact sheet on the free college program. The fact sheet does a wonderful job in describing the details of this remarkable program. The second link will direct you to a Webinar, which will be held next week. This Webinar will further explain details of the free college benefit. We encourage you to set aside a few minutes this weekend to review the information in the links below. With the cost of college today, and the new virtual world that many of us are living in, this free college benefit for union members is a wonderful opportunity for you and the members of your family.

Fact Sheet on the Union Plus Free College Benefit

http://www.unionplusfreecollege.org/faqs/

Upcoming Webinars on the Union Plus Free College Benefit

https://freecollege.unionplus.org/

The Free College program described above is just one of the many benefits you are entitled to as a union member. Be on the lookout for future communications from AFSA regarding other benefits to which you are entitled. If you have any questions after examining and reviewing the information in the links above, please call the CASA office at 973-743-2272.

Thank you for all that you do every day on behalf of our students, families, and communities. We wish you a very sincere and Happy Holidays!

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