#### **NYSUT ERS Consultants**

NYSUT ERS Consultants help NYSUT members who belong to the NYS & Local Employees' Retirement System (ERS) navigate the system. Consultants also provide forms and assist members in contacting the ERS. Have questions? Call or email one of our consultants:



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### **NYSUT ERS Consultants:**

- Provide general information about the ERS benefits and plans
- Serve as a contact between the member and the ERS where appropriate
- Assist individual members in framing questions that need to be asked when contacting the ERS
- Provide informational ERS pamphlets about the plans, tiers and benefits
- Review and explain your annual ERS statement
- Assist in filling out ERS forms



NYSUT ERS Consultants do not provide financial calculations nor make recommendations about a person's decision regarding retirement benefits or the decision to retire. NYSUT recommends you make an appointment with a NYS ERS representative before retiring. Call 1-866-805-0990 www.ocs.state.ny.us/retire

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## NYSUT ERS Consultants can help you!

It's never too early to start planning for your retirement! START NOUL



## Who is covered by the ERS?

The New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System covers School-Related Professionals, \* municipal healthcare workers and other municipal employees who work in school districts or public institutions in New York state outside of New York City. This includes teaching staff in 4201 Schools.

**Full-time** school employees are required to join the retirement system.

**Part-time** workers have the option to join and are encouraged to do so.

Whether full-time or part-time, you must fill out an ERS application in order to be eligible to receive a pension.

School-Related Professionals include teacher aides and monitors, clerical titles, food service, custodial, maintenance, transportation and healthcare workers and other support staff titles.

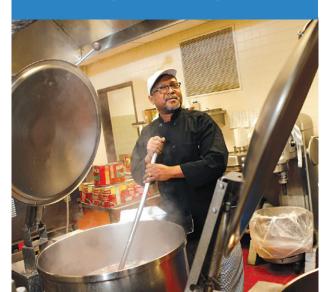
\*Teaching assistants are in the NYS Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) *www.nystrs.org* 

#### ERS workshops for your members

Keep your NYSUT SRP members up to date with the retirement system's benefits and information. Bringing members together for an ERS informational workshop is a great way to receive the tools needed to begin planning for retirement. It is your future! Start planning now! Consider adding a short segment about retirement and ERS as you onboard your new unit members.

## **NYSUT** can help

If you are a local president or chapter leader, contact the appropriate consultant on the back panel to schedule an informational workshop date. If your region is not listed specifically, please contact your regional staff director or labor relations specialist. ERS consultants can lead small informational ERS workshops for NYSUT members at the request of a NYSUT local president or chapter leader.



## ERS quick tips

The date you join the retirement system determines your tier:



- **Tier 1**: Before July 1, 1973
- **Tier 2**: July 1, 1973 July 26, 1976
- **Tier 3**: July 27, 1976 Aug. 31, 1983
- **Tier 4**: Sept 1, 1983 Dec. 31, 2009
- **Tier 5**: Jan 1, 2010 March 31, 2012
- **Tier 6**: April 1, 2012 –

# SAVE your annual ERS statements!

All members of the ERS receive a statement in June explaining their tier and benefits. If you don't receive one, check with your district business office to be sure you are a member. If not, JOIN NOVV!!

#### Notify the ERS

Be sure to notify the ERS of a change of address, name or beneficiary.

#### Learn more about:

Timetables, contributions, service credit, COLA, final average salary, vesting, disability retirement, beneficiaries and retirement options.

## **Contact:**

The NYS & Local Employees' Retirement System: 1-866-805-0990 www.osc.state.ny.us/retire