

---

**From:** mcsandy77@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 14, 2022 5:23 PM  
**To:** Office State Actuary, WA  
**Subject:** FW: TRS 1 COLA

**CAUTION:** External email.

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

---

**From:** [mcsandy77@gmail.com](mailto:mcsandy77@gmail.com)  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 14, 2022 12:21 PM  
**To:** [www.state.actuary@leg.wa.gov](mailto:www.state.actuary@leg.wa.gov)  
**Subject:** TRS 1 COLA

Dear Committee on Pension Policy,

I am a teacher who began my 34 year teaching career in 1975. I loved my job and was lucky to work with so many students throughout the years.

I think you would be surprised at the amount of money I and many other teachers took out of their paychecks to:

- Enhance the curriculums
- Make sure all the kids had a school pictures to take home
- Purchase materials to make the special art projects so kids had special gifts to give to family members
- Provide birthday treats for the kids
- Buy coats, mittens, gloves, socks, and school supplies for disadvantaged children

We gave a lot to the education of the state's children. Maybe now its time for the legislature to give a little back to the thousands of teachers who have given so much.

It is no secret that that the cost of living is out of control. We can't do anything to change it, but with help from you, some of the sting can be taken away.

I would like to thank you for the 3% COLA we will be receiving this July. It is a good beginning. However, I do not understand why our COLA is not consistent with other Washington pension plans. Your effort to secure a continuing TRS Cola plan would be much appreciated. When you do approve the new COLA plan in the 2023 legislative session, and I believe you will, please think of all the teachers that made a difference in your life.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sandra McCaw

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside of the Legislature. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

