

Paul Egan is originally from Blackrock, Co. Dublin. He is the eldest of three children of Sean and Joan Egan. He graduated from University College, Dublin with a B.A. in History and Politics and a M.A. in History. He married Maura Castaldo from Stony Point, N.Y. and then emigrated to the United States.

Paul began his teaching career at Immaculate Conception School in the South Bronx and then moved to M.S. 113 in District 11 where he taught Social Studies for 11 years. He began his union activities at M.S. 113 as a union delegate and then in his second year became the chapter leader.

While at M.S. 113, he won a James Madison Fellowship in 1995 and received a degree from St. John's University specializing in the American Constitution. He went on to earn a M.A. and an M.Phil. from the Graduate School (CUNY) in Political Science.

In 2005, he became a Special Representative for the United Federation of Teachers. Two years later he became District 11 Representative. In May of 2009, he became the U.F.T. Director of Legislation & Political Action responsible for the union's political activities.

Paul serves on the U.F.T. Executive Board and on the New York State United Teachers Board of Directors. He is a delegate to the NYSUT, AFT, and the NEA conventions.

Paul kissed the Blarney Stone on a school trip when he was young and in 1988 the power of the stone was evident when he set a World Record for the Longest After-Dinner Speech for which he was acknowledged in the Guinness Book of World Records.