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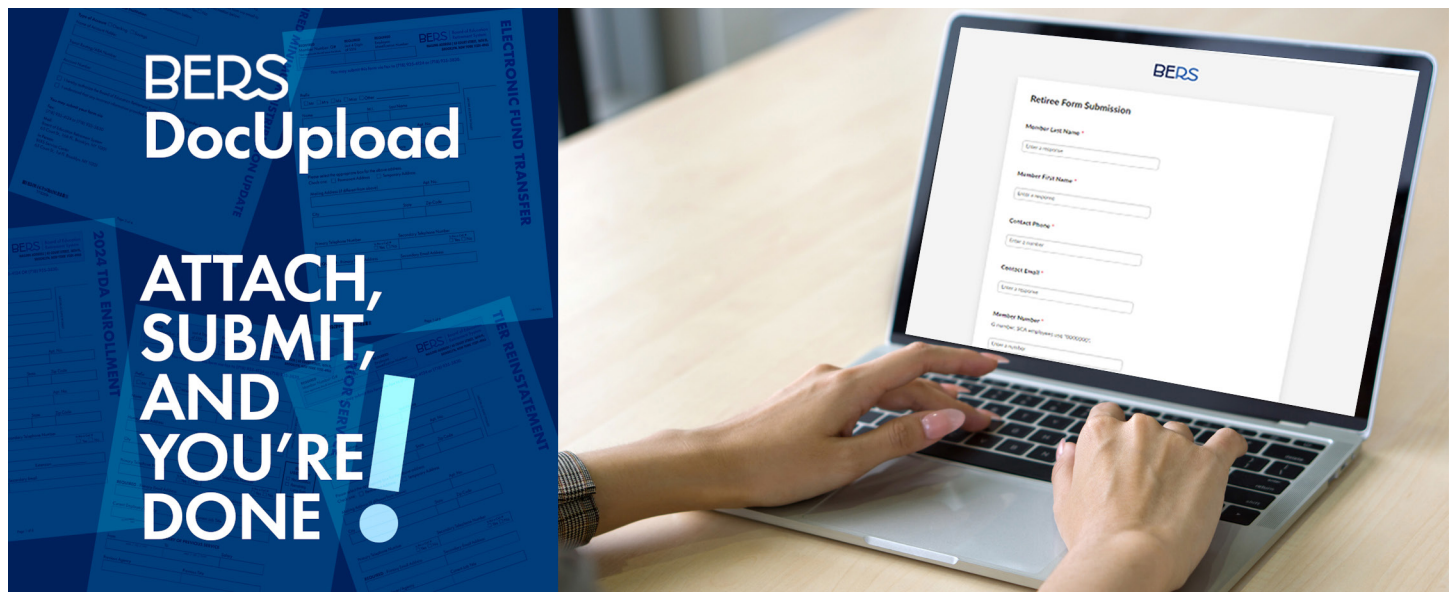
Say goodbye to the hassle of email attachments! With our new BERS DocUpload, the form submission process becomes easy! Members can now click on this [link](#) to upload their forms and required documentation for processing.

Before you upload, check that all your documents have been filled out properly and have them ready to upload. You must upload one document at a time and select the matching name for the document from the Document Type drop-down list. A document is all the pages that belong to

a form and should be combined in one PDF file. Please do not upload one page at a time. If a document has multiple pages they should all be combined before you upload.

This new method ensures a smoother experience for you. Thank you for adapting with us as we embrace this more efficient approach.

As always you can continue to email us at brespon@bers.nyc.gov for any questions and inquiries you have. ■



MEMBER SERVICES WEB PAGE UPDATES

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BERS RETIREE

Welcome BERS Retirees!

Congratulations BERS Retiree! You've worked hard and now is your time to enjoy life in retirement. As you enjoy this next stage of your career, BERS is still here to support you in retirement. On this page, you will find resources that will help to answer questions you may have regarding your Pension, TDA, and Health Benefits.

Make sure to stay on top of all Retiree-related news by checking out our Retiree Newsletter here.

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Check out our new Active Member, [Retiree](#), Beneficiary, and New to BERS webpages. Everything that pertains to your BERS journey is now in one convenient place. You will spend less time hunting for what you need on the website and more time enjoying the web pages we created just for you. ■

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PENSION PAYROLL DATES
CHECKS MAILED
April 27
EFT DEPOSIT
May 2

get your
FLU SHOT
Today!

Protect Yourself
Schedule an appointment

BERS
TAX DEFERRED ANNUITY

UNIT VALUE
February • \$145.531

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What will you do with it?

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Are you waiting on the phone to get in touch with us? Good News we are only one click away! Search NYCBERS in the search bar of [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), and [LinkedIn](#), and hit that follow button to keep up to date or communicate with your retirement system. ■

National Twin Day

Just like twins look out for each other, the **BERS' TDA Program*** is the perfect compliment to your pension plan. Enroll today for additional retirement savings

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Did you know it's possible to file your taxes for free?

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REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION (RMD)

If you are a retired BERS Member turning 73 this year you will receive a letter and Required Minimum Distribution Form from BERS. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) established rules that require members to begin taking withdrawals from their retirement plans (including your Tax Deferred Annuity or TDA Program) by a specified time. These rules are known as the Required Minimum Distribution rules.

If you are no longer working, you must begin receiving amounts from your TDA Program by April 1 of the year following the calendar year in which you attain age 73. The following distributions must be made annually by December 31.

Once you receive your letter and RMD form, you will have 60 days to return the application to BERS. The letter will include a return envelope for you as well. If you do not return your RMD Form within 60 days, BERS will process your RMD based on the default tax withholding and EFT account associated with your pension check.

WHERE DO I SEND IN MY PAYMENT?

Checks payable to BERS should be sent to the following address:

**Board of Education Retirement System
P.O. Box 21269
New York, NY 10087-1269**

Please include your member number on the check and a brief description of the purpose of the payment (e.g. loan number) in the memo line located on the check or money order. This will ensure that your payments are processed efficiently and accurately.

If you are a member who is older than 73 years old and we do not have an RMD Form for you on file, we will also send you a form to complete and submit to BERS.

Forms can be submitted to BERS by:

- Uploading it to [BERS Doc Upload](#)
- By Faxing the form to 718-935-4124 or 718-935-3830
- Dropping off the application to our Walk-in Center on the 1st floor of 65 Court Street in Brooklyn
- Mailing the form via postal mail to:

**NYC Board of Education Retirement System
65 Court Street, 16th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201**

The RMD form must be notarized. Any form not completed properly could result in it being rejected. So please make sure to review and complete the form properly. ■



For quick processing, please write a separate check for each loan. If BERS receives one check to cover more than one loan, it will cause a delay in processing your payments. BERS bank information can be found here: [Send in a Payment Notice.](#) ■



OFFICE CLOSED DATES

Our Walk-In Center at 65 Court Street will be closed on the following dates:

March:

- Good Friday: Friday, March 29

April:

- Easter Monday, Monday, April 1
- Eid al-Fitr: Wednesday, April 10
- First Day of Passover: Tuesday, April 23
- Second Day of Passover: Wednesday, April 24

May:

- Memorial Day: Monday, May 27

June

- Eid al-Adha: Monday, June 17
- Juneteenth: Wednesday, June 19

DFTA – ACTIVITIES FINDER

With the weather turning nicer, are you looking for some fun things to do? Check out the Department for the Aging Activities Finder! You can browse various activities and events happening all over the city. From book clubs to Zumba and Friday Socials with a DJ you will be sure to find something fun to enjoy.

For more information or to check out the Event Details check out: [Activities Finder](#). ■



Service Center

65 Court Street, 1st Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Mailing Address

65 Court Street, 16th Floor, Brooklyn, New York 11201

Executive Office

55 Water Street, 50th Floor, New York, NY 10041

Call Center hours

Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
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