## NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE IN SCHOOLS

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Dear Member,

KENTUCKY EDUCATION GROUPS ASK STUDENTS AND SCHOOL EMPLOYEES TO JOIN IN NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE APRIL 20

The Kentucky Education Association, The Kentucky Association of School Superintendents, the Kentucky Association of School Administrators, the Kentucky School Boards Association, and the Kentucky PTA ask all students and staff in Kentucky Public Schools to participate in a National Day of Action Against Gun Violence in Schools on Friday, April 20.

KEA President Stephanie Winkler has invited KEA members and their colleagues to join NEA and its three million members across America, the American Federation of Teachers and other organizations to take action together on April 20, in a way that will send a strong message to policymakers that #enoughisenough.

"KEA wants all students and school employees in the Commonwealth to stand together on April 20 by wearing blue and orange in honor of Marshall County High School," Winkler said. "We ask that before you start your school day you gather outside your schools and observe two minutes of silence in honor of Bailey Holt and Preston Cope, the children who were killed at MCHS-and then walk in to school together, #marshallcountystrong!"

Winkler said, "We all have prayed for the children and families of Marshall County and of Parkland, Florida. And we have remembered the children and families who lived this horror before, at Sandy Hook, and Columbine, and Heath, and East Carter, and Westside Middle School. They all are in our thoughts and

prayers.

"But thoughts and prayers will not make our schools safe, and they cannot make certain that no parent will ever have to send their child to school and pray that they come home. Only action can do that. It is time to act."

Stephanie Winkler

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