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Dear Member:

#EmpoweredEducators, have a plan to vote!

Election Day is Tuesday, November 5th, just 20 days from today. We know some school districts are closed on Monday, November 4 and Tuesday, November 5, making it tempting to take a long weekend. But be sure to vote before you go! Anyone that will be away from their polling place on Election Day can vote via absentee ballot at their local County Clerk's office. Contact your local County Clerk or <u>click here</u> for more information about absentee voting.



KEHP Open Enrollment Begins

Open enrollment is now open for KEHP through October 30th, 2019. This is a mandatory enrollment year and each member must enroll in or waive coverage. Open enrollment will again include optional dental and vision plans for active employees. You can find more information on plans and benefits by clicking here 2020 KEHP Benefit Plan Book.

Halloween Resources

Did you know that the tradition of carving pumpkins began in Scotland and Ireland with the carving of turnip lanterns? Halloween can be a fun and exciting time for students. Educators can help kids celebrate safely and understand the hazards of the holiday through a variety of diverse lessons. <u>Click here to see a variety of lessons, activities, and resources</u> for students of all ages P - 12.

#DifferenceMakers

Any public school student in grades P-12 is invited to submit one entry to our annual student art contest. The theme for the contest is *#DifferenceMakers*. Students are asked to create a PORTRAIT of a public school employee that has made a difference in their life. All entries must be accompanied by an <u>entry form</u>. All entries must arrive at KEA, 401 Capital Ave. Frankfort, KY 40601 by 5:00 p.m. eastern on Friday, January 17, 2020. Please write "*#DifferenceMakers Entry*" on the outside of the envelope. One student in each grade span will win \$50 and their teacher will also win a \$50 prize. The *#DifferenceMaker* will receive the students' original framed artwork.

Member Benefits

Your KEA membership can save you money every day. Visit <u>www.neamb.com</u> and explore the discounts that are available to you and your family members. You can save on things like: movie tickets; clothes, shoes and other items through "Click n' Save," with more than 700 retailers all in one place; personal loans; and your next new car. There are also student loan forgiveness programs and much, much more. <u>Click here and take some time to explore the savings and</u> <u>benefits your membership provides.</u>

Save the Date



October 20-25	School Safety Week
October 25	Perkins V Performance Goals Feedback/Comments Due - email comments or feedback to <u>octestinfo@education.ky.gov</u>
November 5	ELECTION DAY!
November 15	Last day for Nominations for KEA Ethnic Minority Director Vacancy

Sincerely, Eddie Campbell

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