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## December 18, 2019

Dear Member:

As we head toward winter breaks this week, Joel and I would like to extend warm wishes to you and yours during this holiday season. Please take time during this winter break to love one another, rest and rejuvenate for the new year. Thank you for all you do for the students of our great Commonwealth. Happy Holidays! We will see you in the new year!

Presidents Points will be suspended during the holiday break. The next edition of KEA Presidents Points' will be on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>.

# KEA Office Shutdown

KEA offices will be shutdown on Thursday, December 19 <sup>th</sup> to allow staff to attend funeral services for Joyce Dotson, past president of KEA. Regularly scheduled winter break will begin Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup> and will extend through Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>. KEA offices will reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2020.

## New Day for KEA President's Points

As we begin the new year and the 2020 Legislative session, KEA Presidents' Points will be moving from Wednesday mornings to Monday. This will allow us to keep you better informed about what to expect from the hill in Frankfort. Special alerts will be sent out as needed during the session.

### 2020 NEA Representative Assembly Delegate Nominations

The 2020 NEA Representative Assembly will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, July 2 to 6. Any active member of KEA (teacher or ESP) is eligible to run as a state delegate and may selfnominate by completing and submitting the <u>NEA</u> <u>Representative Assembly Delegate Nomination form at this</u> <u>link</u>.

Forms must be submitted to KEA by 5:00 p.m. (EST) on Wednesday, January 15, 2020. Forms may be emailed to <u>CCC@kea.org</u>, faxed to 502-227-9002, or mailed to KEA, 401 Capital Avenue, Frankfort, KY 40601. No other means of submission will be allowed. Late nomination forms will not be accepted.

<u>Statewide delegates are elected regionally</u>; the region in which you are elected and in which you can vote is based on the county in which you work. The election for statewide

delegates to the NEA RA will be held during the month of March. For more information about being an NEA Representative Assembly delegate <u>click here</u>.

#### KEA Statewide Officer Elections

Delegates at the 2020 KEA Delegate Assembly will be electing three statewide officers. Any eligible KEA member may be nominated for the open seats. The officers to be elected this year are:

- KEA Ethnic Minority Director at Large (Seat 1) Term begins July 1, 2020 and ends June 30, 2023
- KEA Ethnic Minority Director at Large (Seat 2) -Unexpired term begins on date of election and ends June 30, 2021
- KEA State Director to the NEA Board (Seat 1)\* Term begins September 1, 2020 and ends August 31, 2023. \*Note that all candidates must have been a member of KEA/NEA for two years immediately preceding the election.

KEA members who are interested in running should complete the <u>candidate filing form at this link</u> and email the form to <u>CCC@kea.org</u>. Deadline to declare for these offices is 5:00 p.m. (EST), January 15, 2020.

### Winter Break and Seasonal Savings

Looking for a quick get-a-way during winter break to relax, Dollywood is currently hosting their annual "Smoky Mountain Christmas" celebration with special shows, lighting displays and much, much, more. KEA members receive a discounted rate for tickets. **Please contact Valerie Leather at 1-800-231-4532 or 502-878-2889.** Dollywood's "Smoky Mountain Christmas" ends January 4<sup>th</sup>.

Don't forget to check out other discount ticket saving at area attractions such as Kings Island, Kentucky State Parks, Newport Aquarium, Louisville Zoo, and more. Tickets may be purchased online. <u>Please contact Valerie Leathers at 1-800-231-4532 or 502-875-2889 for the discount code before</u> <u>purchase.</u> These discount benefits have been exclusively developed KEA members and are not available to the general public. <u>Click here to let the Winter Break Savings begin!</u>

# Save the Date



December 20-January 1	All KEA offices will be closed for the holidays
January 1	Happy New Year!
January 2	KEA offices reopen
January 7	2020 legislative session begins
January 15	Nominations for statewide KEA offices and proposed constitutional amendments for the 2020 Delegate

January 15 NEA RA nominations due	
(EST)	5 p.m.
January 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. [	Day

Sincerely, Eddie Campbell KEA President 401 Capital Ave Frankfort, KY 40601 1-800-231-4532 www.kea.org