Dear Member,

It's just 14 days until we all REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER to vote on Election Day. Make sure that your family and friends have developed a plan to make the voting process easy on November 6th. Anyone that will be out of town on Election Day can vote via absentee ballot at their local county clerk's office. Contact your local County Clerk for more information.

Halloween Safety Tips

Halloween can be a fun time for students during the fall semester. Educators can help kids celebrate safely by understanding the hazards of the holiday. Please look at the resources from NEA along with lesson plans and activities for students of all age ranges from P-12.

KEA invites students to participate in the 2nd Annual #DifferenceMakers Art Contest

Any public-school student in grades P-12 is invited to submit one entry to our annual student art contest. The theme again this year is #DifferenceMakers. Students should depict a PORTRAIT of a public-school employee that they view has been a difference maker in their life. All entries must be accompanied by an entry form. All entries must arrive at KEA 401 Capital Ave. Frankfort, KY 40601 by Jan. 23, 2019 COB 5pm ET Please write “#DifferenceMaker Entry” on the outside of the envelope. Artwork winners and submissions will be displayed in the Capitol Annex Tunnel the week of January 28, 2019 as space allows. Not every submission may be displayed. 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.
The KY Center for School Safety wants our help in promoting kids to get involved in taking the pledge to stop bullying. To begin, please just take a moment and open the Pledge. Then discuss it vociferously with as many students in school as possible. Let's try to make it the main topic of discussion in our schools around the state throughout October, but particularly during America's Safe Schools Week being observed October 21-27. Given the public's general perception of school safety today, this is the perfect time to make this a robust team effort. Some high school kids will think this is too trite and perhaps more appropriate for younger kids...but the truth be known, they need to take this pledge as much as many of their younger school peers. The goal is to have every student in KY take this pledge. You can track the state's progress on the KCSS's website.

Save the Date

| OCT 8-26  | KEHP OPEN ENROLLMENT |
| OCT 21-27 | AMERICA'S SAFE SCHOOL WEEK |
| OCT 23-31 | RED RIBBON WEEK |

Sincerely,

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