

KEA President's Points

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Dear member,
Important Information

Make sure to reach out to the KEA members who are classified employees and also those learning to be teachers and inform them about the benefits of becoming a KEA member. Some ideas are listed in the articles below. To those lucky enough to be on fall breaks this month, take some time for yourself- you deserve it!

Professional Development for ESP members

Kentucky School Plant Managers - 27th Annual State Conference October 26-28, 2016

The KSPMA annual State Conference is coming up FAST and will feature over 15 breakout sessions related to facility management issues. This is Kentucky's only facility management conference that is dedicated to the caretakers of the educational environment. Over 80 Vendors (Roofing, Plumbing, Flooring, Custodial, Electrical, HVAC, LED, Architects, Design Build, Document Management, Pavement, and General Contracting) will be present with an anticipated 300+ of attendees.

Don't miss the speaker lineup:

- Dr. Stephen L. Pruitt, Kentucky Commissioner of Education: Opening Session on Wednesday October 26th, 2016.
- Greg Dunbar and Paige Patterson-Wright "New Kentucky Facility Inventory and Classification System (KFICS) Initiative."
- For a complete lineup of speakers/breakouts click on [Conference Agenda](#). To register for the conference click on [Register Now](#).

Scholarship Opportunity for Pre-Service Teachers

Do you have a student teacher or know a student who could use a scholarship? The 2017 MARVIN DODSON-CARL PERKINS KEA SCHOLARSHIPS sponsored by the Kentucky Education Association are for members of the KEA Student Program who are juniors, seniors, MAT candidates or post baccalaureate students seeking a first-time teaching endorsement in a Kentucky college or university during the 2016-2017 school year. **The deadline to apply is December 16, 2016.** Applications

can be accessed [here](#).

SB 119 "Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect"

The first, approved child abuse and neglect training has been posted to the [SB119 web page](#). Developed by the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, the "[Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect](#)" training is free-of-charge and may be viewed in video or PowerPoint format. Additional vendor training materials will be added as approved; please check the website often for updates. As a reminder, all current school administrators, certified personnel, office staff, instructional assistants, coaches and extracurricular sponsors who are employed by the school district shall complete the training and post-assessment by January 31, 2017. For questions, please contact Joyce Richards by email at joyce.richards@education.ky.gov or by phone at 502-564-1479, ext. 4532.



Also, to help support this initiative, KEA mailed in August to every public school in KY, a poster to display. This new law requires the posting of the Child Abuse Hotline in every public school building. We hope that you have seen these posters in your buildings. Please know that KEA supports any effort to stop the abuse of our state's most precious resource, our children. Thanks for all you do to support and protect Kentucky kids every day! If your school would like to request an additional poster, please contact Jeanine Scott at jscott@kea.org.

Sincerely,

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