

KEA President's Points

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Dear Member,
Beginning with this issue of President's Points, I will begin giving weekly updates on activities related to pension advocacy. Our public school employees must be educated about what's being talked about in our state and nation around defined benefit pensions. Please share these weekly pension facts with all of your colleagues. This includes your classified employees as well.

Pension News



Monday night, I was a part of a panel discussion around pensions on the KET program Kentucky Tonight. Please find the [link here](#) to watch the program.

KEA joins AG lawsuit over Governor's reorganization of education boards

Good news came on Tuesday, as we learned that a judge agreed not to grant the Governor's plea for dismissal in the recent lawsuit filed by Attorney General Andy Beshear. KEA joined this lawsuit because it directly impacts the certification processes of so many of our members. You can [read more about the decision here](#).

KDE Seeking Teachers of ELA and Mathematics to serve on Standards Review and Development Committees (RDCs) and Advisory Panels (APs)

Senate Bill 1 (2017) calls for the review and revision of Kentucky's Academic Standards to occur every six years. This year, standards for Reading/Writing and Mathematics will be reviewed and revised based upon the processes outlined in SB1 (2017). The Kentucky Department of Education is seeking English/language arts and mathematics teachers of all grade levels to apply to participate in this work. **Applicants will be required to meet in Frankfort for 3 to 5 days during the 2017-18 school year.** Selected team members will receive reimbursement for travel expenses. Substitute teacher expenses will be reimbursed to the teacher's school district. Potential

applicants are asked to verify the willingness of their school or district to release them for work dates throughout the school year. The [application is here](#).

Applications will be accepted through Friday September 1, 2017. Selected team members will be notified on or before September 20th. Feel free to contact karen.kidwell@education.ky.gov or leann.pickerill@education.ky.gov with any questions.

KEA VACANCY NOTICE- State JUNIOR ETHNIC MINORITY DIRECTOR

KEA has a vacancy in the position of State Junior Ethnic Minority Director. This position was vacated by Lucretia Starnes who recently had to move out of state and relocate. An election will be held at the August 25-26 KEA Board meeting in Frankfort. Those interested in running for the position should send nomination to: KEA President, Stephanie Winkler swinkler@kea.org by **COB Monday, August 21, 2017**. Self nominations are accepted. Candidates will need to be prepared to give a 3 minutes speech to the board. Nominators are allowed 2 minutes to speak, and seconders are given 1 minute. Only active, ethnic minority members of the KEA are eligible to run for this position.

Dates to Remember:



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| Aug 21 | Solar Eclipse |
| Aug 28 | Public Pension Oversight Board Meeting,
Capitol Annex 1:00 |
| Sept 4 | Labor Day Holiday |

Sincerely,

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