

# KEA President's Points

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Dear Member,

### ***Take Action Now!***

This week, the Kentucky state House Education Committee is poised to hear new legislation to create charter schools. **Call your legislator today at 1-800-372-7181** and ask them to support our public schools and vote no on [HB 520!](#)

KEA believes Kentucky should support **ALL** Kentucky children rather than diverting taxpayer money to an unproven strategy that eliminates oversight and accountability. Moreover, this legislation would have a devastating impact on public schools by allowing the creation of charter schools across the state including virtual charter schools.

Kentucky educators know that, to close achievement gaps, we must have well-resourced public schools, and access to educational opportunity should not depend on a lottery number. KEA believes that all of our students deserve to be met in the classroom with innovative opportunities and a high standard for quality, accountability, and equity. - Charters are not the answer.

Click [HERE](#) to find the members of the House Education Committee.

For more details on the specifics of HB 520, click [HERE](#).

Sincerely,

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