

KEA President's Points

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Dear Member,
September is Public Pension Awareness Month! This week we want to empower others to contact their legislators about our pension concerns. Use the KEA App or call the Legislative Message Line at 1-800-372-7181 and leave a message for your legislators. Ask them to come together and decide on dedicated revenue streams for KY public pension funding before any structural change proposals. Show at least two others in your worksite how to contact their legislators and leave the same message. Let's flood the phone lines, in-boxes, and social media accounts!



PENSION NEWS

1. I appeared on WKYT's KY Newsmakers with Bill Bryant last Friday talking about pensions. If you would like to watch the program or share on social media you can [view it here](#).
2. KEA Vice President Eddie Campbell and I have been crisscrossing the state attending local pension rallies and informational meetings. If your local wants to know more about how to set up a forum about pensions, please contact your local KEA office for guidance. We need to talk to as many public school employees as possible about this issue as soon as possible.
3. [Click here](#) to view this week's pension fact video. Make sure to share on your social media platforms and use the **#APensionIsAPromise**.

NEA Teaching Tolerance School Climate Webinar Series



Building on the school climate member engagement work started last year, the National Education Association Human and Civil Rights Department, in

partnership with Teaching Tolerance, is excited to offer a three-part webinar series beginning on Wednesday, September 20th, to better inform and equip educators on immediate steps they can take to feel better prepared to address school climate issues. The series will cover several topics: assessing a school's climate, creating a plan for incidents of bias and hate, preparing for and engaging in conversations about race, and speaking up in the face of biased remarks. To register for this webinar series [click here](#).

KEA Offers KTIP Trainings to first year teachers

KEA offers training for KTIP teachers and their Resource Teachers (RT). The Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) allows this training material to count as two (2) outside classroom hours if both the KTIP and RT attend together. This training is FREE to KEA members. Non-members may attend for \$50 per person. To register call the KEA Office hosting the training you would like to attend. Space may be limited, so don't delay. [View the updated flyer](#) for dates, locations, and times of trainings across the state and the contact information to register at the nearest KEA office.

Dates to Remember:



Oct. 9 KEHP Open Enrollment begins

Sincerely,
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