KEAT Candidate Forums

November's Mid-term Elections are coming. Be informed. Know where your state house representative stands on Public Pensions, Public Schools and more.

Two forums are happening next week. The opportunity for voters to hear candidates discuss the major issues in a political campaign is one of the most important and lasting parts of our democracy. The Kentucky Education Action Team (KEAT) made up of Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA), Kentucky Association of School Administrators (KASA), Kentucky Association of School Superintendents (KASS), Kentucky Retired Teachers Association (KRTA), Kentucky PTA (KYPTA), Kentucky Association of School Councils (KASC) and Kentucky Education Association (KEA) are sponsoring the event.

Be there to show support for your financial future and public pensions.

**Tuesday, October 2, 2018**

**Daviess County High School Auditorium**

6:00 pm - 7:30 p.m.

The Kentucky Education Action Team KEAT is inviting you to attend a Candidate Forum, Tuesday October 2, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm at Daviess County High School in the Auditorium. Shaelie Clark with Evansville Channel 14 will moderate the forum. Candidates from House District 7 (Daviess, Union, Part of Henderson County), House District 11 (Part of Henderson and Daviess), House District 12 (Webster, McLean, Part of Hopkins and Daviess), House District 13 (Part of Daviess), House District 14 (Ohio, Part of Daviess and Senate District 8 (Daviess, McLean, Hancock).

**Thursday, October 4, 2018**

**McCracken County High School C-Plant Performing Arts Center**

6530 US Highway 60 West

6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

The Kentucky Education Action Team KEAT is inviting you to attend a Candidate Forum, Thursday, October 4, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm at McCracken County High School C-Plant Performing Arts Center, 6530 US Highway 60 West, Paducah, KY 42001. All Candidates and Incumbents from the McCracken County area have been invited.

NRTA ANNOUNCES THE 2018 WITH OUR YOUTH! AWARD WINNERS

Retired Educators in Kentucky, Mississippi and Virginia Honored for Outstanding Work with America's Youth

Washington, D.C., August 31, 2018 - NRTA, AARP's Educator Community, announced today the winners of its With Our Youth! award, a national recognition of the outstanding volunteer work of retired teachers to improve the lives of America’s youth. This year’s winners include retired teachers from Kentucky, Joanne Ashby and Betty Hill. See the complete story in the upcoming November issue of KRTA NEWS arriving in your home the first of November.
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HEALTH & INSURANCE

Where do we go legislatively from this day forward?

THE KEY: “One on one” work with legislators

Kentucky Employees' Health Plan

Under Age 65 & Not Medicare-Eligible
2019 Retiree Open Enrollment
October 8-26, 2018

The 2019 KEHP Open Enrollment is upon us once again. Packets are being mailed to the under age 65 retirees giving all the details about Open Enrollment. The Department of Employee Insurance (DEI) began mailing these packets this week to TRS membership. When you receive your letter, save it because if contains your KHRIS User ID and other important Open Enrollment information. All Open Enrollment information can be found at trs.ky.gov. If you do not have internet access, you can enroll online at your local library, at a benefit fair or by visiting the TRS office.

The KEHP Open Enrollment Hotline is 502-564-6534. Service is only available during Open Enrollment October 8-26, 2018.

Hours for Assistance (Eastern Time)

Monday, October 8 - Friday, October 12
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Monday, October 15 - Friday, October 19
8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 20
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Monday, October 22 - Friday, October 26
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

NO OPEN ENROLLMENT
For 65 and Over
MEHP
(Medicare Eligible Health Plan)

TRS Workshops

Retiring Sooner or Later

Upcoming

Oct. 27 in Bowling Green (Greenwood High School) for employees of any school district — Registration open

Dec. 4 in Elizabethtown (Early College and Career Center) for employees of any school district.

Preregistration is required. Register through Pathway at mss.trs.ky.gov or, if you haven't registered for Pathway, call TRS at 800-618-1687. Registration opens two months prior to event date.

A seminar for anyone anywhere on the career spectrum. Session topics include: understanding your defined benefit retirement plan, retirement eligibility, understanding what can impact your retirement benefit, health insurance in retirement and the importance of staying informed about retirement. Sessions are geared toward a specific type of member (school district, university or state agency employee).

TRS On the Road

Upcoming

Nov. 3 in Corbin (The Corbin Center) —
Registration open

Preregistration is required for individual counseling and presentation attendance. Separate registrations for each part are required. Register through Pathway at mss.trs.ky.gov or, if you haven't registered for Pathway, call TRS at 800-618-1687. Registration opens two months prior to event date.

TRS On the Road brings an office visit to your town, allowing members who are retiring within three years to sit down with TRS counselors and receive individual estimates through 20-minute sessions. TRS On the Road also offers a retirement presentation, which is open to anyone at any point in a career, but is tailored to employees of school districts.
## DISTRICT AND LOCAL MEMBERSHIP PERCENTAGE REPORT

**August 23, 2018**

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MEMBERS ARE THE KEY TO OUR SUCCESS:
What Should We Do to Recruit/Retain Members?

- Encourage Involvement
- Emphasize Value
- Communicate Appropriately
- Survey Former Members
Wanda B. Goines is a precious 92-year-old woman who shares great wisdom through a poem she wrote and recited to her caretaker, Kathryn Clausnitzer Wilson. Kathryn loved the poem so much that she recorded Wanda reciting the poem and shared it on Facebook. With over 4.5 million views and 187,000 shares, Wanda's sweet poem went viral!

“I looked in the mirror and what did I see, but a little old lady peering back at me. With bags and sags and wrinkles and wispy white hair, and I asked my reflection, how did you get there? You once were straight and vigorous and now you’re stooped and weak. When I tried so hard to keep you from becoming an antique. My reflection’s eyes twinkled as she solemnly replied, you’re looking at the gift wrap and not the jewel inside. A living gem and precious of unimagined worth. Unique and true, the real you, the only you on earth. The years that spoil your gift wrap with other things more cruel, should purify and strengthen and polish up that jewel. So focus your attention on the inside, not the out, on being kinder, wiser, more content, and more devout. Then when your gift wrap is stripped away, your jewel will be set free to radiate God’s glory throughout eternity.”

Wanda B. Goines

To watch the video of Wanda Goines reciting the poem, go to: https://www.faithtap.com/4222/92-year-old-woman-writes-beautiful-poem-that-goes-viral/