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Protect Our Students' #FreedomToLearn!

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#FreedomToLearn

A hundred of your coworkers came to the Emergency Meeting last night to talk about how to protect our students'

#FreedomToLearn in the face of some terrible legislation and a terrible budget from the North Carolina General Assembly.

**Take Action!**

Campaign leaders across GCS are taking action together NOW to protect kids'

#FreedomToLearn:

1. GET A TEAM - Ask a coworker or a team of coworkers to help make a plan for how to directly ask a majority of your coworkers to sign onto the petition.

2. MOVE THE [PETITION](#) for OCTOBER 17 - Ask coworkers to sign on to the petition with a **#FreedomToLearn** selfie before the next Board of Ed meeting - bit.ly/FTLGCAE
 3. [STAND TOGETHER](#) NOVEMBER 7 - Ask coworkers & community members to sign up for the November 7 **#FreedomToLearn** Rally & show our community will fight for our public schools - bit.ly/FTLRally
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How to Plug In & Build YOUR Union, GCAE:

Are you ready to roll?? We are building something big together, and it's **a strike-ready majority union**. We're not there yet, but moving the petition in your building is a way to build the muscles we need for the long haul!

Having a strike-ready majority union means that we need you, and me, and all of our coworkers in it. Because when all of us move together, that's power. That's how we win in the face of opposition.

We build a strike-ready majority union by **organizing** to move **majorities**.

Can you get the **majority** of your building to sign the [#FreedomToLearn Petition](#)? If you'd like support, be sure to reach out to GCAE leadership at gcaenc@gmail.com or contact your NCAE staff organizer directly.

*Western Guilford High has 21 petitions signed so far, just since this morning! **Go Western!***

Get ready for Phase 2 of the #FreedomToLearn Campaign at our next [Mass Meeting](#) and [Organizing Bootcamp](#)! Register today!

THURS, OCT 12,	GCAE Mass Meeting	Register
5:30 - 7:30 pm,	We'll feed you, take care of your kids,	
Smith HS	and get you and your team ready to win!	
SAT, OCT 28,	**DATE CHANGE!!!**	Register
9:00 am - 4:00 pm,	GCAE Organizing Bootcamp	
Greensboro	This in-person 1-day organizing conversation bootcamp is open to all	

GCS staff who are NCAE members. It is especially encouraged for building team members ready to level up to organize their worksite.

Ways to Plug In with NCAE:

GCAE is the local affiliate of our state union, NCAE. The following opportunities are available for all NCAE members ready to learn one more thing, take one more step, or dig just a little bit deeper.

- **NCAE Local Strength Cohort Meeting**
 - Thursday, Oct 5, 6:00-8:00 PM, virtual
 - open to member leaders wanting to build their organizing skill set
 - Register: link.ncae.org/Local-Strength-Cohort
- **All Member Call: Budget Deep Dive**
 - Tuesday, October 10, 6:00-7:00 PM, virtual
 - Register: link.ncae.org/AMC
- **From Bills to Advocacy: Understanding School Budgets**
 - Wednesday, Oct 11, 6:00-7:15 PM, virtual
 - Register
- **Leading in Our Locals and Our Lives: What is (My) Leadership?**
 - Saturday, Oct 21, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, Raleigh
 - Register: link.ncae.org/Landscape
- **Learning the Landscape: Why Are They So Scared of Public Schools and Our Unions?**
 - Monday, Oct 23, 6:00-7:30 PM, virtual
 - Register

FREE Children's Books for NEA Members

As part of its year-round celebration of Read Across America, NEA is partnering with author Mary Pope Osborne, Random House Children's Books and First Book to help educators bring FREE books to children in Title 1 schools or programs that serve low-income families. Books are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Educators must sign up for a free account with First Book. Use promo code NEAMAGICTREEHOUSE to get \$75 worth in free Magic Tree House titles (approximately 25 books).

Sign up

Great Public School's Fund First PAC Drive!

NCAE's new Strategic Plan calls on us to "Restore the Promise of Public Schools & Our Democracy." As we launch the Great Public Schools Fund, we plan to fulfill our strategic goals by 1) putting education on the ballot, 2) by identifying education voters, and 3) by putting forth a vision for "What's Possible for Students." To accomplish all that, we must increase our PAC donations. [Please join today.](#)

To join the PAC Drive, running from NOW through October 31, 2023, you can:

SIGN-UP USING OUR DIGITAL PAC: If you sign up at a minimum of \$8 a month as a Great Public Schools Sustainer, you will receive an exclusive 'Created by Public Schools' shirt.

RECRUIT NEW PAC CONTRIBUTORS: When you recruit new contributors to the Great Public-School Fund you will receive 10% of the total dollar amount you raise. To receive your gift you must ensure new donors list your name in the 'Recruited By' field on the digital PAC sign-up.

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