

Dear members.

Since the original inception of NCLB we have seen a direct attack on our profession and on our national and state unions that have worked to protect the ideals of that profession. In the past few years, the grassroots movement of people that have come together to fight against such agenda has grown and become an integral part of the pushback against the corporate education reform movement that seeks to destroy our public school systems and our union organizations.

On July 8th, many grassroots organizations under the heading of Save Our Schools Coalition, including Save Our Schools March, the Badass Teachers Association, the Network for Public Education, NCUEA, NEA Ethnic/Minority Caucuses, NEA, AFT, and many others will be converging upon WASHINGTON DC for #ThePeoplesMarch16 to demand that legislators make choices for what is right for our children, our students, our teachers, and our public schools.

I invite you to join them for a day that will celebrate our public school systems and expose the agenda of corporate interests that seek to privatize what is a right of all children in our country - the right to a free and appropriate education.

An amazing list of speakers have agreed to join these groups in front of the Lincoln Memorial, including Diane Ravitch, Brother Jitu Brown, and Reverend Barber. In the afternoon, a march will be led to the White House in solidarity to stand for the schools that our children deserve.

On July 9th, Save Our Schools Coalition will be hosting a forum at Howard University that will include many conversations about organizing and discussions about what direction our pushback against corporate reform needs to take next.

Please consider joining us as we stand together to unite for our schools!

<http://saveourschoolsmarch.org/event/save-our-schools-coalition-for-action/>

<http://saveourschoolsmarch.org/2016-sos-activists-conference-program/>

