

WHAT CAN I DO RIGHT NOW?

What can you do? Here are a few suggestions – but you need to respond *quickly*, **BEFORE** the special session of our Kentucky legislator meets! As you take advantage of these forums, remember that your communication should reflect your status as a professional educator representing the Hancock County Public Schools district.

- 1 – Know the facts. Don't allow our message to be diluted or distorted with rumors and misinformation.
- 2 – Go to www.lrc.ky.gov and click the “Who’s My Legislator?” link. Enter your home address, then click on the map to view names and contact information links for your Representative and Senator. **Everyone** is encouraged to contact their elected officials to share your concerns about the pension reform proposal!
- 3 – Call the Legislative Call Center at 1-800-372-7181. Your message will be recorded and shared with elected officials.
- 4 – Write a letter to the editor. Letters should be original (no form letters), 250 words or fewer and must include your name and contact information. Mail or deliver letters to the Messenger-Inquirer at 1401 Frederica St., Owensboro KY 42301 or email to sbartholomy@messenger-inquirer.com
- 5 – Help to educate our community by talking to family, friends and neighbors. Use social media to get our message out! We have posted some talking points at www.hancock.kyschools.us –Click on the Pension Reform news and select the talking points link. Feel free to select one or more of those points as your message on Facebook or Twitter! A copy a PowerPoint will also be posted on our district website.
- 6 – HCSD Faculty and Staff Members – We will continue our commitment to the students of Hancock County Public Schools! There is no better impetus for public support than your excellence as a teacher, educator and support professional. Never forget: Your work *is* important and you *are* making a difference in the world by making a difference in the lives of students.