



Commonwealth of Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet

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Kentucky State Government to Celebrate Earth Day 2016 *Event open to the public, employees*

Frankfort, Ky. (April 18, 2016) – The public is invited to the 2016 Earth Day celebration Thursday, April 21, at the Thomas D. Clark Center for Kentucky History in Frankfort.

The Energy and Environment Cabinet, the Kentucky Division for Air Quality and the Kentucky Environmental Education Council will host an environmental education event while honoring several nominees for the Kentucky Green Ribbon Schools* program and awardees for the Green and Healthy Schools** program for their accomplishments in energy conservation. The Environmental Quality Commission also will honor the 2016 Earth Day Award recipients.

WHO: Energy and Environment Cabinet Secretary Charles Snavelly
Environmental Quality Commission Chairman Steve Coleman
Kentucky Commissioner of Education Dr. Stephen Pruitt
Kentucky Environmental Education Council Executive Director Elizabeth Schmitz

WHAT: 2016 Kentucky Earth Day Celebration

WHEN: Thursday, April 21, 2016; 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

WHERE: Thomas D. Clark Center for Kentucky History
100 West Broadway
Frankfort, KY 40601

Twenty-five state and local agencies, along with nonprofit organizations, will be represented at the event with educational booths. For a list of agencies, visit the EEC website at <http://eec.ky.gov/Pages/earthday.aspx>.

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Editors: *Kentucky nominees for the 2016 Green Ribbon Schools program are Eastern Elementary, Scott County; Russell Cave Elementary, Fayette County; and Berea College.

**Kentucky awardees for the 2016 Green and Healthy Schools program are Model Schools Virginia Chance School, Jefferson County; Kit Carson Elementary, Madison County; Morton Middle, Fayette County; West Hardin Middle, Hardin County; and Pikeville High School, Pike County.

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