***Draft, email from local leaders to MEMBERS: Reminder email on Jan. 19 action***

Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

Tomorrow—Thursday, Jan. 19—please join me and thousands of AFT members, parents, students and community allies all over the country to demonstrate against the president-elect’s agenda to dismantle public education, and to ensure that all students have the opportunity to live their lives and pursue their dreams free from fear. We will be part of the Alliance to Reclaim Our Schools national day of action to protect our schools, colleges and universities, communities and students.

***I hope you’re planning to join us tomorrow. Please ask your colleagues to be there too! [insert your local’s event information here].***

This is not about partisan politics. It's about the threat posed to public education as we know it, and to our profession, by the policies of President-elect Trump and his nominee for secretary of education, Betsy DeVos.

You and I believe that all children have the right to an education that helps them reach their full potential. We believe our leaders should commit to first-class public education for all—with schools that welcome students of all backgrounds, identities, origins and abilities. That’s the vision of opportunity and democracy our public schools stand for.

TOMORROW IS OUR CHANCE TO STAND UP FOR THAT VISION. Tomorrow, we’ll be: Calling on the Senate to reject anti-public-education billionaire Betsy DeVos as secretary of education…telling policymakers to invest in our public schools (including Title I funding)…and demanding that schools and campuses be sanctuary spaces from the threat of deportation, racism and bullying.

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In October, 100,000 people in 200 communities (including dozens of AFT locals) took part in our last day of action. Let’s make tomorrow’s action even larger!

If want a Secretary of Education who will be a champion for public schools, then join us tomorrow. If you want schools that are safe, empowering spaces for all children, join us tomorrow. If you think it’s time America invests in our children’s future, join us tomorrow. We’ll tell Washington—on the day before the presidential inauguration—that we’re standing strong with our students, our schools, and our communities.

I look forward to seeing you at [place] at [time]! When we join in raising our voices to defend our vision of great public schools for all children, we will be heard.

In unity,

[local president]