

Make an Appointment with Your Legislator

One of the most important parts of our Rally Day is YOU & YOUR FAMILY! Tennessee home school family groups, friend groups, support groups, arranging meetings with your state Senator and state Representative is so important! Call now and make a 10-15 minute appointment with each of your lawmakers. See below guidelines on how to reach them. The best times to schedule your meeting will be after the Rally ends, between 11:30 and 4:30 p.m.



Call their office and make an appointment to meet them on Tuesday, April 5th. Bring your children, have them write a letter to their legislators thanking them for their service to our state, take pictures of your family or group with your lawmakers. Request an autographed copy of the "Tennessee Blue Book", which is a great resource of Tennessee history! Be sure to ask them to sign their "Blue Book".

Remember these are your representatives in a republican, representative form of government, dependent on your vote to hold office and therefore accountable to you. Don't be afraid to do this!

When you meet face-to-face with your legislators you are putting a face on homeschooling for them, so that when they vote on legislation which will impact us, they will think of you and your family! This is a crucial part, perhaps the MOST important part, of our Day on Capitol Hill!!! We very much encourage homeschooling Dads and Moms to bring your children and plan a visit to your legislators, represent Tennessee home educators and count this as a civics lesson for your children!

To "**Find Your Legislator**" go to this web site: <http://www.legislature.state.tn.us>, click on the **Find My Legislator** link on the right side of the page, on the next page type in your street address and city, hit search & up will come your two legislators, your state Senator & Representative with their names, pictures, email addresses & the Districts they represent. Then go back a page, click on *Members* under the Senate and Representatives to find their office location and their office phone numbers. Place a call to their office for your appointment on Rally Day. They are always glad to meet their constituents!

Deliver Cookies to your lawmaker's offices! Cookies will be prepared for you by the WTHERA Chapter of THEA to take with you when you visit your legislators. The Cookies, in our signature red gift bags, are our gift to the legislator's staff. The staff cannot wait to get their cookies. Delivery begins when the program is over and continues through the afternoon. The ladies at the cookie table keep up with which offices have received cookies and which need a special delivery! The Cookie Table is on the lowest level, the underground Legislative Plaza office complex, near Speaker Beth Harwell's office.

One more thing...we continue to hear from the majority of legislator's and their staff that they love Rally Day, they love seeing family groups in their hallways and offices, that there is no other day on Capitol Hill like Rally Day!! AND that is because of you!! Plan to be there with your family!!

**Be a Watchmen on the Wall building and strengthening our message,
our impact as a community on our Tennessee lawmakers!!**