DEFEND PUBLIC EDUCATION!

RALLY AND CALL TO ACTION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30TH
* 6 PM * OLD COURTHOUSE, ST. LOUIS

“Education Builds Democracy and Changes Society”

Join local and national educators for a rally in defense of public education!

Wednesday, April 30th at 6 pm at the Old Courthouse, St. Louis
11 N. Fourth Street St. Louis, MO 63102

Free, public education is the cornerstone of a democracy. Public education is under siege by those seeking to privatize it for a profit. Together, we will call for a more equitable system of public education for all and ensure literacy as a basic civil right.

Organized by Acting for a Better Community Committee & Literacy for Social Justice Teacher Research Group www.umsl.edu/~lsjtrg/

DEFEND DEMOCRACY!
Defend Public Education Rally!

PROGRAM

Wednesday, April 30th 6pm

Old Courthouse, St. Louis

Thunderheart, traditional Native American drummers

WELCOME:
Rebecca Rogers, Literacy for Social Justice Teacher Research Group, Acting for a Better Community Committee, Professor of Education, UMSL

Ora Lewis-Clark, YMCA Literacy Programs, Advocate for Adult Literacy Education

Donna Jones, Parent, member of the Elected School Board, St. Louis Public Schools

“Democracy Anthem” performed by Terrell Payne (graduate of SLPS) & Charles Murphy, Teacher at Roosevelt High School

Chad Beffa, parent, public school advocate, and candidate for Missouri State Representative 67th District—endorsed by Dr. Diana Bourisaw

Byron Clemens, Regional Vice President, AFT Missouri

Declaration: Jessica, ABC's of Literacy Intern

Literacy President: Jackie Taylor, Literacy President Group

Chuc Smith, Instead of War and Retired SLPS Math Teacher

Cynthia Peters, World Education and The Change Agent

CLOSING: Posting of protest signs

Thunderheart, traditional Native American drummers

Organized by the Literacy for Social Justice Teacher Research Group (www.umsl.edu/~lsjtrg/) & The Acting for a Better Community Committee