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Dear NSTA Member:

Last week you may have been one of the thousands of teachers nationwide who received misleading teaching information from a questionable source.

According to the Washington Post, "Twenty-five thousand science teachers opened their mailboxes this month and found a package from the [Heartland Institute](#), a libertarian think tank that rejects the scientific consensus on climate change." The package also contained their propaganda on global warming.

We understand that the Heartland Institute is planning to send the material to teachers every week, until "every public-school science teacher in the nation has a copy."

First, scientists don't disagree about climate change or its causes.

Second, labeling propaganda as science does not make it so.

Third, science teachers are the critical bastion in the war against reason. And the special interests know it.

NSTA will support you as you resist this unprecedented attack. Just teach science in your classroom. We invite you to take advantage of the multiple resources below from NSTA and the scientific community about climate change.

- NSTA resources on climate change are [here](#).
- [Here](#) are resources from the North American Association for Environmental Education.
- Download National Wildlife Federation's [resources](#) and Climate Classroom [lesson plans](#).
- AAAS curriculum materials are [here](#) and [here](#).
- Resources from the National Center on Science Education are [here](#).
- The CLEAN Network provides a [collection of 650, ready-to-use](#) and rigorously reviewed resources for educators.
- Read the Washington Post article [here](#) and the PBS article [here](#).

As always, we appreciate the work you do and for standing with us at this critical time for science and science education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David L. Evans".

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NSTA has joined as a partner with the March for Science, April 22, learn more [here](#)