

# **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

## **STAFF NOTE**

### **Review Item**

Budget Update on the Addition of Career and Technical Education to the Kentucky Department of Education

### **Applicable Statute or Regulation:**

KRS Chapter 48

### **History/Background:**

*Existing Policy.* Executive Order 2012-737, effective on October 16, 2012, overhauled Kentucky's Career and Technical Education (CTE) system by uniting the state's two high school/secondary CTE systems under the guidance of the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and created the Office of Career and Technical Education within the KDE. This merger was the result of the new accountability model based on 2009's Senate Bill 1, which elevated the focus on career and technical education through a measure called college and career readiness.

The Office of Career and Technical Education has a personnel complement of 615 permanent full time positions. Most are located across the state in the 53 Area Technology Centers. 37 positions are located in the Frankfort central office. The Fiscal Year 2013 funding for the Office of Career and Technical Education is \$23,971,900 in general funds, \$19,979,800 in restricted funds and \$12,121,900 in federal funds.

### **Impact on Getting to Proficiency:**

Sufficient funding for education programs is essential for all students to achieve academic proficiency.

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