

Resolution in Support of Senate Bill 1 (2009)
by the
Kentucky Board of Education

- Whereas,*** The Kentucky Board of Education, pursuant to KRS 158.645, and charged with the responsibility to do so, has for many years established minimum standards for academic achievement that prepare students for college or a career; and
- Whereas,*** During the 2009 legislative session, outstanding collaboration occurred between the General Assembly, Governor Steven L. Beshear, the Commissioner of Education, the Kentucky Board of Education, and other education partners resulting in the adoption of Senate Bill 1; and
- Whereas,*** Senate Bill 1 requires the creation of new, rigorous, and internationally benchmarked academic standards using input from teachers, postsecondary faculty, and other education partners with consideration of nationally-developed standards where available; and
- Whereas,*** Over three hundred and forty teachers and education professionals participated in discussions and negotiations to revise Kentucky's academic standards; and
- Whereas,*** Senate Bill 1 requires the Kentucky Board of Education to consider standards that have been adopted by national content advisory groups and professional education consortia; and
- Whereas,*** After the passage of Senate Bill 1, the National Governors Association and the Council of Chief State School Officers produced evidence-based Common Core State Standards that align with college and career expectations, consider international benchmarks, focus on the capacities needed for college and career success, clearly communicate expectations to teachers, parents, students, and citizens, and follow the mandates of Senate Bill 1; and
- Whereas,*** The Kentucky Board of Education, the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Education Professionals Standards Board jointly adopted these Common Core Standards, known in Kentucky as the Kentucky Core Academic Standards, in February 2010, and in so doing continued decades of support to provide Kentucky's students with critical knowledge and higher order thinking skills.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Kentucky Board of Education declares its continued support of Senate Bill 1 and the Kentucky Core Academic Standards and their vital role in ensuring that every student graduates college- and career-ready.

***Done in the city of Frankfort, this 5th day of June, in the year
Two Thousand and Thirteen.***

David Kareem, Chair
Kentucky Board of Education

Terry Holliday, Commissioner
Kentucky Department of Education