Jefferson County Public Schools 2013 Legislative Priorities Scorecard

- Retain Local Control Over Student Assignment
 - Senate Bill 216 defeated.
- Oppose Charter Schools
 - House Bill 76 introduced. Received hearing in House Education Committee, and defeated.
- Increase Mandatory Attendance Age to 18
 - Senate Bill 97 passed.
- Provide Increased Resources to Improve Early Childhood Education in Kentucky
 - The Governor's recommendation for the 2012-2014 Executive Branch Budget included a \$15 million increase for preschool in the second year of the biennium. No action taken by the General Assembly. Funding for preschool maintained at prior levels.
- Revise Tax Code to Ensure Sufficient State Revenue to Adequately Fund Education
 - HB 440 passed. Generates estimated \$100 million additional General Fund revenue through the adjusting the individual tax credit and closing loopholes. Funding to be targeted to address pension liability problems.
 - The 2012-2014 Executive Branch Budget provides districts with flexibility with regard to spending state funds for Professional Development, Extended School Services, instructional materials, Safe Schools, including their use to supplement the Preschool program.
- Provide Support and Resources for Schools and Districts of Innovation
 - Districts of Innovation created through passage of HB 37 in 2012. Implemented in 2013, with Jefferson County being named a District of Innovation.