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Mr. Roger Marcum, Board Chair
Kentucky Board of Education
500 Mero Street
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Dear Mr. Marcum:

The Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC) met on January 27, 2015 to discuss 703 KAR 5:200, Next Generation Learners; 703 KAR 5:225, School and District Accountability, Recognition, Support and Consequences; and 703KAR 5:240 Accountability Administrative Procedures and Guidelines.

Specific to regulation 703 KAR 5:200, Next Generation Learners, the proposed regulation includes an equal weight of 33.3% for each of the three categories (i.e., Achievement, Gap and Growth) at elementary. The following comments were noted:

- One superintendent advocated percentages at elementary be 40% Achievement, 30% Gap and 30% Growth.
- A second superintendent indicated that discussion on this topic with other superintendents had been mixed.

LSAC members discussed topics related to the assessment and accountability system generally.

- Concerns were expressed about the increasing complexity of the system as new calculations and components (i.e., PGES) are added.
- Several members asked if reporting of percentiles was necessary, since each school has a specific Annual Measurable Objective improvement target and know the overall scores associated with Proficiency.

The LSAC membership offers this letter of support and affirms KDE staff recommendations. The members of LSAC appreciate the opportunity to participate in the discussion and provide a local perspective on issues of concern to the Kentucky Board of Education.

Sincerely,



Ed McNeel
LSAC Chair

cc: Kentucky Board of Education Members