KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Review Item:

Status Update on State Management in the Breathitt County School District

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 158.780, KRS 158.785 and 703 KAR 3:205

History/Background:

Existing Policy. On December 5, 2012, the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) approved the Breathitt County School District (Breathitt) as being designated a state-managed district. On August 26, 2014, the KBE voted to continue state management in Breathitt for another three (3) years.

Recent updates from the district include:

- Efforts continue to improve student access to technology with Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Wireless growing to over 1,500 student and staff devices.
- Board approved Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract with Harshaw Trane.
- Board approved Tobacco-Free Schools' Policies (February 24, 2015).
- Board is beginning an extensive training effort with KSBA representatives. The initial meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2015.
- Breathitt district staff and Jackson Independent staff have had initial meetings and are working to correct coding issues with students attending Jackson Independent (approximately 40 incorrectly coded).
- March 1 SBDM allocations have been shared with schools with an emphasis on meeting individual school needs to improve math/reading results and enhanced personalized learning.

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