

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Action/Discussion Item:

Approval of the 2016-2018 Biennial Budget Request

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS Chapter 48; KRS 156.024

Action Question:

Should the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) approve the 2016-2018 Biennial Budget Request for submission to the Governor's Office in accordance with KRS 156.024?

History/Background:

Biennial Budget Planning. The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) are concluding the development cycle for the 2016-2018 Biennial Budget Request prior to November 2015.

At the April 2015 board meeting, KDE staff provided a general overview of the biennial budget process. In June 2015, KDE staff reviewed the KDE "Baseline" budget in detail. At the August 2015 board meeting, KDE staff discussed prospective "Additional Budget Request" items. During August and September, KDE solicited feedback on the budget priorities from various constituent groups, including KEAT.

At the October 2015 meeting, final KBE review and approval of the proposed 2016-2018 Biennial Budget Request will be requested, in order to permit timely submission to the Governor's Office by November 2015. A PowerPoint presentation that will be available closer to the meeting will guide the discussion and present the proposal the board is being asked to approve.

Staff Recommendation(s) and Rationale(s):

KDE staff recommends approval of the 2016-2018 Biennial Budget Request for submission to the Governor's Office in accordance with KRS 156.024. The submission has been thoroughly reviewed by the board and represents priorities staff is recommending and that have been discussed with the board.

Impact on Getting to Proficiency:

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

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