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Date: July 11, 2016

**Consider/Approve:** South Floyd School requests approval for the Kentucky Blood Center to host two blood drives throughout 2016 – 2017.

Applicable State or Board Policy: Policy 0.1.11 General Powers and Duties of the Board of Education

Background: Many years ago, hospitals were responsible for blood supplies. The common practice for collecting blood for transfusions was to collect donations from patients' family and friends or even the from the hospitals own staff. In some cases, family members were required to recruit donors before their loved ones could have surgery. In 1968, a group of concerned Lexington doctors decided blood should be collected, tested and distributed from a central location to give every hospital an equal chance to get needed blood without worrving if there would be enough to go around.

With the help of volunteer blood donors, Kentucky Blood Center (KBC) provides blood products to nearly 70 Kentucky hospitals and clinics in more than 60 Kentucky counties.

Alternative Action: Request additional information

Recommended Action: Approve the request

Rationale: Approving these blood drives will benefit the lives of many students throughout the United States and especially in Kentucky.

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