

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Action/Consent Item:

Amendments to the Kentucky Tech Policies and Procedures Manual (state-operated area technology centers)

Commissioner's Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends that the Board approve the amendments to the Kentucky Tech Policies and Procedures.

Rationale:

To provide policies that guide the work of administrators, teachers, and staff in the 53 state-operated area technology centers. Their purpose is to ensure consistent practice that is compliant with relevant state and federal policy, regulations, and statutes.

Action Question:

Should the Kentucky Board of Education approve the proposed amendments within the Kentucky Tech Policies and Procedures Manual?

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 156.802

History/Background:

Existing Policy: The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) has the responsibility for all administrative functions of the state in relation to the management, control, and operation of state-operated secondary area technology centers. The secondary area technology centers shall be operated in compliance with program standards established by the Kentucky Board of Education.

Summary: In October 2016, the Kentucky Board of Education approved the revised edition of the *KY Tech Policies and Procedures Manual*. The KDE contracts with the Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA) for annual maintenance, revision, and upkeep of these policies and procedures. The changes align with bills passed in the 2017 Regular Session and regulations taking effect within the last year. Proposed amendments and the expected financial impact for the 2017-18 academic year are shown on the attachments.

Note: Only the affected pages of the manual are attached.

Groups Consulted and Brief Summary of Responses:

Kentucky Department of Education (Office of Career and Technical Education and Office of Legal, Legislative, and Communication Services Staff)

Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA)

KDE staff and KSBA support the proposed amendments.

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Commissioner of Education

Date:

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