

## LONGBRANCH ELEMENTARY

A Leader In Me School 2805 Longbranch Road Union, Kentucky 41091 859-384-4500 Erika Bowles, Principal Stephanie Stambaugh, Assistant Principal Rachel Anderson, School Counselor Meredith Palmer, School Counselor Rachel Wilcox, Instructional Coach

March, 6, 2017

Dear Mr. Ford,

I am writing to request a change for instructional time at Longbranch Elementary School beginning in the 2017-2018 school year. The current staring time/end time for elementary schools in Boone County is 8:55/3:40 for the students. We are requesting the start time be at 8:40 increasing our instructional day by 15 minutes.

This proposal has been approved at the school level through our SBDM in the past and will be on the agenda for the March 7, 2017 SBDM meeting. It also does not conflict with any contractual agreements with the teachers' workday. I have already spoken with the bus garage and it is possible for the buses to arrive 15 minutes earlier to accommodate the earlier start time. The cafeteria will also star serving breakfast earlier to allow students adequate time to eat in the morning

As school we have instructional reasons for this change in time.

- Increased instructional class time to implement Rosetta Stone.
- Increased instructional class time to implement keyboarding and handwriting.
- Increased instructional class time for specific, tiered interventions.

Thank you for taking time to consider this request for the 2017-2018 school year.

Sincerely,

Erika Bowles

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