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June 29, 2017

Mr. Victor Zimmerman, Superintendent Livingston County Schools P.O. Box 219 Smithland, KY 42081

Dear Superintendent Zimmerman:

On behalf of the board of directors and staff of your Kentucky School Boards Association, I am writing to thank you for your district's 2016-17 membership and to invite your continued membership in the upcoming school year.

As an advocate for public education, KSBA supports all 173 board member/ superintendent teams and their districts. This work requires prudent use of the association's resources. As we plan for new opportunities and the means to serve districts, our board of directors has approved a 2017-18 dues schedule reflecting a 2 percent increase. Your district's dues for the upcoming year are \$3,865.59. The average increase is \$93.38 per district. Enclosed please find an invoice for your dues.

A few examples of how KSBA used its resources to aid districts this past year include:

- Invested significant resources in upgrading our digital security that protects services such as the policy service and the unemployment program. Such upgrades involved encryption of data stored on your behalf and the migration of associated software programs to a secure, compliant server environment.
- Enhanced our eMeeting electronic board meeting service in response to user requests, including an improved agenda template, easier access from Mac computers and updates to the discussion box and meeting archiving options.
- Intervened successfully in another utility rate case, cutting the increase school districts will face and gaining funds for districts through the School Energy Managers Project (SEMP). In seven years, SEMP has assisted districts in reducing costs by over \$123 million, a net savings of roughly \$90,000 per year per district. In FY 2016-17 and 2017-18, your KSBA board covered a combined \$84,000 SEMP operating shortfall, resulting from the end to state funding, because they strongly valued the cost savings districts realize through SEMP.
- Expanded training on Medicaid reimbursement rules to administrators through our School Based Health Service, improving the ability of school personnel, including special education teachers, to both gain reimbursement for services provided by the district and track those services as they assist students.
- Streamlined the operation of KSBA's unemployment program, whereby we project a program savings of nearly \$20,000 in the coming year. These savings will directly benefit unemployment program participants.