LEGAL: THE "EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT OF 2015 (P. L. 114-95)" INCLUDES AREAS THAT WILL NEED TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN A DISTRICT DEVELOPS ITS DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: NONE ANTICIPATED

LEGAL: SB 1 CHANGES VARIOUS DATES SO THAT DATES IN THE PLANNING CYCLE SECTION SHOULD BE DELETED.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: NONE ANTICIPATED

LEGAL: THE KDLA RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULE NOW REQUIRES DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLANS TO BE RETAINED PERMANENTLY.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: NONE ANTICIPATED

LEGAL: SB 1 AMENDS KRS 158.649 CHANGING THE BIENNIAL TARGET FOR ELIMINATING ACHIEVEMENT GAPS TO EVERY YEAR. THESE PROPOSED CHANGES ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE AMENDMENTS.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: NONE ANTICIPATED

LEGAL: THE EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT OF 2015 REQUIRES THAT BEGINNING IN 2018-2019, STATES AND DISTRICTS DEVELOP REPORT CARDS THAT INCLUDE TIMELY AND ESSENTIAL INFORMATION TO INFORM THE EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT FOR ALL STUDENTS.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: POSSIBLE COST OF PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTING REPORT CARDS

#### POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

01.111

# **District Planning**

The Board shall establish long-range, District-wide educational goals and objectives to guide the administration's development of annual objectives and budget priorities. The District-wide goals and objectives shall be based on a three to five (3-5)-year cycle, but shall be reviewed for revision every two (2) years.

### DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The Superintendent shall develop annually a Comprehensive District Improvement Plan (CDIP) which shall include, but not be restricted to, statements of the District's goals and objectives, the annual school budget, current educational issues, and evaluation information relative to the major accomplishments of the District and significant changes proposed for the coming year.

### PLANNING

The Superintendent shall present to the Board for review and approval the form and function of the District planning process, including format and timelines.

### PLANNING CYCLE

The District's planning cycle shall <u>follow a process of continuous improvement as data becomes</u> <u>availablerun from August 1 through May 31</u>.

### PLAN REQUIREMENTS

The primary purposes of the CDIP shall be:

- To improve student achievement on state and federal mandated testing/accountability instruments;
- To eliminate achievement gaps; and
- To develop District strategies and services to address deficiencies and/or sustain or strengthen current efforts.

The plan structure shall include the components set out in 703 KAR 5:225, the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA), and KRS 158.649.

The plan shall be updated on an annual basis, provide assistance in reducing physical, mental health, and academic barriers to learning, and address student equity.

Timelines should be reviewed in light of new accountability system.

01.111 (CONTINUED)

# **District Planning**

#### PLAN REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Planning activities shall draw on information from a variety of sources that shall include an opportunity for parents and other citizens of the community to have input into the plan.

As part of the District planning process, the Board shall review District academic performance on the state assessments for various groups of students in compliance with legal requirements.

#### **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

A presentation shall be made by staff members on the plan for the fiscal year under consideration, which shall include priorities, objectives, program plans, and budget implications.

#### PUBLIC REVIEW

The plan shall have public review prior to presentation to the Board for final adoption. Opportunity for public and school staff review shall be provided for a period of at least two (2) weeks and shall be advertised in the newspaper of the largest circulation in the District, or as an alternative, posted on the District web site for electronic review and feedback.

### BOARD APPROVAL

The plan shall be presented to the Board for approval annually. If revisions are needed, the District planning committee shall forward proposed revisions to the Superintendent. Revisions must reflect the requirements of State and Federal Law. All recommendations for revisions require approval by the Board.

The Superintendent shall submit required assurances to the Kentucky Department of Education.

# IMPLEMENTATION

The District shall maintain a copy of each plan for at least five (5) yearspermanently and, consistent with the District's planning cycle, post the current plan on the District's web site.

The plan shall serve as a resource for Board decision making.

### SCHOOL PLANS

The District plan shall be broad enough to allow each school to develop its own plan, within the goals and objectives of the District.

# **DISTRICT REPORT CARDS**

The District shall send a District report card to parents containing information about performance as outlined in KRS 158.6453 and 703 KAR 5:140, and information on electronic access to a summary of the results for the District shall be published in the newspaper with the largest circulation in the county.

In addition to the above requirements, beginning the 2018-2019 school year and annually thereafter, the District shall post the District report card on its website, as required by ESSA. District report cards shall be widely accessible to the public, in an understandable and uniform format, and when possible, written in a language that parents can understand.

# POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

01.111 (CONTINUED)

# **District Planning**

# REFERENCES:

<sup>1</sup>KRS 158.649 KRS 156.500; <u>KRS 158.6453;</u> KRS 160.290; <u>KRS 160.340;</u> KRS 160.345 <u>703 KAR 5:140;</u> 703 KAR 5:225; 704 KAR 3:390 P. L. 114-95, (Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015)

# RELATED POLICIES:

02.44; 02.441; 02.442; 04.1; 09.21

LEGAL: BEGINNING IN 2018-2019, THE EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT OF 2015 REQUIRES THAT STATES AND DISTRICTS DEVELOP REPORT CARDS THAT INCLUDE TIMELY AND ESSENTIAL INFORMATION TO INFORM THE EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT FOR ALL STUDENTS. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: POSSIBLE COST OF PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTING REPORT CARDS

ADMINISTRATION 02.442

# Comprehensive School Improvement Plan

#### RESPONSIBILITY

Each school council, or Principal, in a school without a council, shall develop, monitor, and annually update a Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP).

In an SBDM school, the school council shall organize a planning process, consistent with District's established planning process.

In a school without a council, the Principal shall appoint a School Planning Committee comprised, at a minimum, of four (4) teachers, four (4) parents, and a community representative. The high school(s) shall include a student on the committee. The community representative shall not be a teacher, spouse of a teacher, or a parent of child(ren) attending the District schools.

The primary purposes of the CSIP shall be:

- To improve student achievement on state and federal mandated testing/accountability instruments; and
- To eliminate achievement gaps among groups of students.

### **FORM**

Unless the school planning committee requests and is granted a waiver by the Board, the school committee shall use the platform provided by the Kentucky Department of Education. The CSIP structure shall include the components set out in 703 KAR 5:225, Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA), and the elements required by KRS 158.649.

In addition, the school council, or school planning committee appointed by the Principal if there is no council, shall review annually the school's disaggregated student data and revise the school's improvement plan, as required by applicable statute and regulation, to address any gaps between various groups of students.

The plan shall also address reduction of physical and mental health barriers to learning, student equity, District safety and student discipline assessments, and District goals established by the Board.

The school plan shall serve as a resource for school/council decision making and shall be posted.

# PUBLIC REVIEW

The Principal shall convene a public meeting at the school to present and discuss the plan prior to submitting it to the Superintendent and Board.

02.442 (CONTINUED)

# **Comprehensive School Improvement Plan**

### SCHOOL REPORT CARDS

Each school shall send to parents a school report card containing information about school performance as outlined in KRS 158.6453 and 703 KAR 5:140, and information on electronic access to a summary of the results for the District shall be published in the newspaper with the largest circulation in the county.

In addition to the above requirements, beginning the 2018-2019 school year and annually thereafter, each school shall post its school report card on its website as required by ESSA. School report cards shall be widely accessible to the public, in an understandable and uniform format, and when possible, written in a language that parents can understand.

#### BOARD REVIEW

The school's plan for eliminating achievement gaps among various groups of students shall be shared with the Board for its review and comment. The Board may share its comments, in writing, with the council.

## REFERENCES:

KRS 158.645; KRS 158.6451; <u>KRS 158.6453</u>; KRS 158.649 KRS 160.290; KRS 160.345 703 KAR 5:140; 703 KAR 5:225 P. L. 114-95 (Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015)

RELATED POLICIES:

01.111; 02.432

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RECOMMEND: THE 2013 GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDED KRS 159.010 TO ALLOW DISTRICTS TO SET THE DROP-OUT AGE AT 18 NO LATER THAN THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR. BEGINNING WITH THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR, DRIVER'S LICENSE REVOCATION WILL ONLY APPLY TO THOSE WHO ACCUMULATE NINE (9) UNEXCUSED ABSENCES FOR THE PRECEDING SEMESTER. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: NONE ANTICIPATED

**STUDENTS** 

09,4294

# **Driver's License Revocation**

Students who are sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years old who become academically deficient or deficient in attendance shall be reported to the Transportation Cabinet for driver's license, permit or driving privilege revocation.<sup>1</sup>

#### ACADEMIC AND ATTENDANCE DEFICIENCIES

Academic and attendance deficiencies for students age sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) enrolled in regular, alternative, part-time, and special education programs shall be defined as follows:

- 1. They shall be deemed academically deficient if they have not received passing grades in at least four (4) courses, or the equivalent of four (4) courses, taken in the preceding semester.
- 2. They shall be deemed deficient in attendance when they drop out of school or accumulate nine (9) unexcused absences for the preceding semester. Suspensions shall be considered unexcused absences.

#### REINSTATEMENT OF DRIVING PRIVILEGE

Students whose driving permits are revoked, but later meet the statutory standards for reinstatement, must then apply to the Director of Pupil Personnel to have their standing confirmed. The District shall make the required report to the appropriate agency.

### REFERENCES:

<sup>1</sup>KRS 159.051, KRS 186.470 601 KAR 13:070<del>; 704 KAR 7:050</del> -Student Discipline Guidelines -OAG 77-419

## RELATED POLICIES:

08.221 09.123 RECOMMENDED: THIS CLARIFIES THAT A STUDENT'S PARENT IS NOT TO BE NOTIFIED IF A COURT ORDER PROVIDES TO THE CONTRARY (FOR EXAMPLE IN AN EMERGENCY ABUSE SITUATION). FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: NONE ANTICIPATED

LEGAL: HB 33 CREATES A NEW SECTION OF KRS 620 DETAILING THE CABINET'S NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS WHEN IT IS AWARDED CUSTODY OF AN ABUSED, NEGLECTED OR DEPENDENT CHILD.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: NONE ANTICIPATED

**STUDENTS** 

09.1231

### **Dismissal from School**

#### RELEASE OF STUDENTS

At any time students are dismissed from school, they shall be released according to the written instructions provided by the custodial parent/guardian. The instructions, which shall be requested at the time the student registers/enrolls for the school year, shall include the student's regular mode of transportation at the end of the day and a list of persons, in addition to the custodial parent/guardian, who are authorized to pick up the child from school. Any deviation from the authorized release process must be approved by the Principal/designee prior to the student departing school in another manner.

It shall be the responsibility of the custodial parent/guardian to notify the school in writing if release instructions are to be revised. If written instructions are not provided to the school, the student shall only be released pursuant to the original written instructions provided by the parent/guardian.

Unless the school has been informed and given evidence of a state law or court order concerning the status of the student, both parents shall have the right to release of the student under their care.

Any student who leaves the school grounds at any time without proper authorization shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

### RELEASE PROCESS

If the student is to be picked up early, the custodial parent/guardian or designee shall report to the Principal's office and sign for the student's release.

Each school shall maintain a daily entry and exit log of students signing in late or signing out early and shall require proof of identification from individuals (visual identification by an employee, driver's license, picture identification, etc.) to assure that they are authorized to pick up the student.

Those students who are not on record as being under the care or control of a parent/guardian may sign for their own dismissal.

# EXCEPTIONS

A student may be released to a person with lawful authority to take custody of the student, e.g., a police officer with a warrant or the person authorized by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services when the student is committed to the Cabinet or when the Cabinet is granted custody of the student by a court order. In such case, the student's parent shall be notified at the earliest opportunity except as otherwise provided by a court order or law.1

09.1231 (CONTINUED)

# **Dismissal from School**

### **EXCEPTIONS (CONTINUED)**

When custody of a student is granted to the Cabinet by a court order as a result of dependency, neglect, or abuse, the Cabinet shall notify the Principal, Assistant Principal, or Guidance Counselor of the names of persons authorized to contact the child at school or remove the child from school grounds.

The notification shall be provided to the school by the Cabinet:

- a) Verbally and documented in writing by the Principal, Assistant Principal, or Guidance\*
  Counselor on the day that a court order is entered and again on any day that a change is
  made with regard to persons authorized to contact or remove the child from school The
  verbal notification shall occur on the next school day immediately following the day a court
  order is entered or a change is made if the court order or change occurs after the end of the
  current school day; and
- b) By written document within ten (10) calendar days following a change of custody or change in contact or removal authority.

In addition, the Board authorizes emergency release of students for illness or other bona fide reasons, as determined by the Principal.

REFERENCES:

10AG 85-134: OAG 92-138 KRS 620.146 \_702 KAR 7:125

RELATED POLICIES:

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