KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Review Item:

Status Update on State Management in Breathitt and Menifee Counties

Purpose:

To inform the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) of progress made in state-managed school districts.

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 158.780, KRS 158.785 and 703 KAR 3:205

History/Background:

Existing Policy: The history/background on school districts in state management is as follows:

1. On December 5, 2012, the KBE approved the Breathitt County School District as being designated a state-managed district. On October 7, 2014, the KBE approved the final order to continue state management in Breathitt for another three (3) years.

2. On July 10, 2015, the KBE approved the Menifee County School District as being designated a state-managed district.

Summary: Status updates are attached to this staff note relative to progress in each district since the August 2017 state board meeting. The following dates are potential state management exit dates, pending a KDE management audit:

1. Breathitt County – This district is currently undergoing a management audit.

2. Menifee County – July 2018

Budget Impact: There is an ongoing fiscal impact on the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE), based upon the assignment of personnel and resources from the Office of Continuous Improvement and Support, to support the work in these districts. Resources also are assigned from the Office of Finance and Operations on an as needed basis. The estimated budget impact to KDE is approximately $1.5 million annually in staffing related costs.

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