



School Facilities Construction Commission

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January 5, 2018

Mr. Travis Huber, Superintendent
Gallatin County Schools
75 Boardwalk
Warsaw, KY 41095

Dear Mr. Huber:

Pursuant to KRS 157.622, the School Facilities Construction Commission (SFCC) is hereby making an official Offer of Assistance to the Gallatin County Schools Board of Education. Acceptance of this Offer of Assistance commits the school district to adhere to the statutes and regulations governing this program. This Offer of Assistance is in the annual debt service amount of **\$588** to be used towards proposed construction or major renovation of facilities outlined in your most current approved facility plan. These funds or any of those escrowed for the purpose of receiving this offer must be used only on a priority one project of your district's facility plan. House Bill 303 of the 2016 Regular Session of the General Assembly states:

"Notwithstanding KRS 157.611 to 157.665, the School Facilities Construction Commission is authorized to make an additional \$91,000,000 in offers of assistance during the 2016-2018 biennium in anticipation of debt service availability during the 2018-2020 biennium. No bonded indebtedness based on the above amount is to be incurred during the 2016-2018 biennium."

This means that while the Commission is making this offer now, no bonds may be sold prior to June 30, 2018, which assumes that funding is included in the 2018-2020 biennium. In order for your district to be eligible to accept this offer, it will be necessary for you to verify that your district has transferred to the **SFCC Escrow – Current Offer (Code 8738)** the fund balances remaining in both the **Building Fund** and **Capital Outlay Fund** as of June 30, 2017, plus interest accumulated on these funds. Regulations governing our agency can be found at <http://www.lrc.state.ky.us/kar/TITLE750.HTM>.

In responding to this Offer of Assistance, you must provide this office with (1) an excerpt of your Board Minutes either accepting or rejecting the offer within **thirty (30) days** of receipt of this offer, (2) the page from your District's 2017 Audit verifying the remaining fund balances in both the Building Fund and the Capital Outlay Fund (3) a copy of a General Ledger entry showing the transfer of your fund balances into the Building Fund and Capital Outlay SFCC Escrow Current Accounts, as stated in the preceding paragraph. We look forward to working with you and trust this assistance will be an integral part of a quality educational program in your school district.

Sincerely,

Chelsey Bizzle

Chelsey Bizzle
Executive Director



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KENTUCKY EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY FUNDING PROGRAM
FUND UTILIZATION PLANNING FORM

Name of District Gallatin County

Declaration of Intentions: (Check Only One)

☒ The entire amount of the Offer of Assistance will be matched at the present time.

☐ The entire amount of the Offer of Assistance will be escrowed for up to

☐ 1 year.

☐ 2 years.

☐ 3 years.

☐ The entire amount of the Offer of Assistance is rejected.

☐ A portion of this Offer of Assistance is being matched at the present time in the amount of

\$ _____.

The remaining amount of \$ _____ will be escrowed for _____ years
(maximum of 3 years).

The remaining amount of \$ _____ will be rejected.

We agree to abide by the policies passed by the Kentucky Board of Education, School Facilities Construction Commission, and appropriate State Regulations regarding the use of the funds.

Superintendent's Signature

Date

Please be sure to include with this document:

1. Excerpt of Board of Education meeting minutes (accepting, escrowing, or rejecting offer).
2. Copy of Journal Ledger Proof from MUNIS accounting system demonstrating transfer of funds to **Fund 2, Project 162D**, if amount is being matched at the present time.

Return to:

School Facilities Construction Commission
229 W. Main Street, Suite 102, Frankfort, KY 40601
Attention: Corey Samples
Within Sixty (60) days



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750 KAR 2:010. Education Technology Funding Program guidelines.

RELATES TO: KRS 157.615, 157.650, 157.655, 157.660, 157.665

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 157.615, 157.655(3), 157.660(3)

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 157.617(1) authorizes the commission to promulgate administrative regulations necessary for the orderly conduct of its affairs, which includes the education technology funding program. KRS 157.660(3) requires the commission to promulgate administrative regulations by which a district that receives an offer of assistance but does not have the local match shall be able to accumulate a credit for the state offer of assistance for a period not to exceed three (3) years. This administrative regulation establishes the procedures and guidelines for determining the eligibility and level of participation for a local public school district, for making an offer of assistance to a school district, for verifying a local public school district funding match, and for the accumulation of credits by a local public school district that maintains its eligibility.

Section 1. Sources of Local Matching Funds. A local public school district shall match the state offer of assistance from:

- (1) Available state, local district, and federal funds not otherwise restricted by the appropriate governing agency;
- (2) The proceeds of a revenue bond or note that is:
 - (a) Issued on behalf of a district to purchase technology equipment supported by the district's general fund; and
 - (b) To be retired within three (3) years from the date of issuance;
- (3) A vendor or third party lender lease;
- (4) A grant from a private source;
- (5) Interest earned by a district on a school building construction account, if the interest is not already committed for expenditure on the construction project; or
- (6) Interest earned on the "Education Technology Fund" account.

Section 2. Offers of Assistance.

- (1) Funds available within the Education Technology Escrow Account shall be distributed to a local school district for installation of the Kentucky Education Technology System ("KETS") through the cooperative program established by KRS 157.650 to 157.665, and as provided by this section.
- (2) Upon certification of the rate of participation to the commission, the commission's executive director shall notify an eligible district in writing of:
 - (a) The amount the district is entitled to receive; and
 - (b) The conditions KRS 157.655(1) and 157.660(2) requires the district to meet if it accepts the offer of acceptance.

Section 3: Acceptance of Offers of Assistance.

- (1) The local board of education shall notify the commission in writing whether it accepts an offer of assistance within sixty (60) days after receipt of the offer of assistance. The local board's response shall indicate how much of the amount of the offer the district plans to accept. If a school district does not have local matching funds available when the commission's offer of assistance is received, the district may accumulate credits for up to three (3) years from the date of the offer of assistance. If a district does not respond within sixty (60) days after receipt of the offer of assistance, it shall be deemed to have rejected the offer of assistance and the amount of the offer shall be redistributed to remaining eligible districts. Upon written request received from a district within the original sixty (60) day period, a single thirty (30) day extension in responding to an offer of assistance shall be granted by the executive director.
- (2) The local school district shall provide to the commission a copy of its board's minutes reflecting acceptance of an offer of assistance. Upon acceptance of an offer of assistance, a local school district shall establish an "Education Technology Fund", which shall bear interest on the balance in the fund. The interest received on the fund shall be applied to meet educational technology needs in the school district. The district shall provide the commission evidence certifying that matching funds have been committed.

(20 Ky.R. 716; Am. 967; 1617; eff. 11-4-93; 24 Ky.R. 179; 576; eff. 9-4-97; eff. 2-4-99.)