Board Resolutions

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Board Resolutions

A RESOLUTION
OF THE
BARDSTOWN CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Bardstown City Schools has the desire for all our students to be globally competitive; and,

WHEREAS, we recognize each student has unique skills, aspirations, capacities, and dreams and we believe learning must be personalized to meet individual needs; and,

WHEREAS, we believe together we can provide students in our district more opportunities to succeed in life; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to provide a broader continuum of learning options to facilitate ALL our students becoming College and Career Ready upon graduation; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to set high expectations for ALL students; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to provide ALL students with choices on how and where they will learn; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to foster a greater college-going, work-ready culture throughout our region; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to work to drive gains in ALL students' academic knowledge and preparation for life beyond high school graduation; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to provide students with enhanced opportunities to earn college credits while in high school to make pursuit of postsecondary education more affordable and attainable for them; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to align our educational programs with the workforce needs and industry standards of our regional employers to support economic development and job growth in the region; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to providing our students with the skills necessary to be employable and competitive in the workplace; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to making learning more relevant to our students to reduce the number of students who drop out or fall behind; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to expand our students' knowledge of specific career options, exposure to the world of work, and understanding of relevant work certifications and postsecondary studies; and,

WHEREAS, we commit to engage with partners in our community to facilitate the provision of adequate opportunities for our graduates to live, work, and contribute to the future growth and prosperity of our community and Commonwealth; therefore,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Bardstown City Schools resolves to:

1. Cooperate toward the planning of a Regional Career Academy that expands career pathways studies available to students in our school districts; and,

2. Explore ways to align and develop educational programs in our schools to provide rigorous and connected learning opportunities from which students may choose; and,

3. Explore and plan how to create and participate in a Regional Career Academy in collaboration with the Kentucky Department of Education with funds provided by the New Skills for Youth Grant, and,

4. Work to build partnerships with regional business and industry partners, postsecondary representatives, economic developers, regional Workforce Investment Boards, other school districts, and representatives of our parents and students; and,

5. Ensure New Skills for Youth planning grant funds are used in strict compliance with the terms of the grant.

ENTERED INTO ON THIS DAY MARCH 20TH by the Bardstown City Schools Board of Education.

Superintendent	3/20/18 Date
Board Chair	3-20-18 Date

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Board Resolutions

A RESOLUTION
OF THE
LARUE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the LaRue County Schools has the desire for all our students to be globally competitive; and,

WHEREAS, we recognize each student has unique skills, aspirations, capacities, and dreams and we believe learning must be personalized to meet individual needs; and,

WHEREAS, we believe together we can provide students in our district more opportunities to succeed in life;

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WHEREAS, we commit to engage with partners in our community to facilitate the provision of adequate opportunities for our graduates to live, work, and contribute to the future growth and prosperity of our community and Commonwealth; therefore,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the LaRue County Schools resolves to:

1. Cooperate toward the planning of a Regional Career Academy that expands career pathways studies available to students in our school districts; and,

2. Explore ways to align and develop educational programs in our schools to provide rigorous and connected learning opportunities from which students may choose; and,

3. Explore and plan how to create and participate in a Regional Career Academy in collaboration with the Kentucky Department of Education with funds provided by the New Skills for Youth Grant,

4. Work to build partnerships with regional business and industry partners, postsecondary representatives, economic developers, regional Workforce Investment Boards, other school districts, and representatives of our parents and students; and,

5. Ensure New Skills for Youth planning grant funds are used in strict compliance with the terms of the grant.

ENTERED INTO ON THIS DAY March 19, 2018, by:

Sam Sanders
Superintendent

Price Smith
Board Vice Chair

755 East Main Street
Lebanon, Kentucky 40033

MARION COUNTY
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Taylora Schlosser
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Michael Abell
Personnel Director

Jennifer Wheeler
School Nutrition Program
Director

Scott Spalding
Transportation &
Maintenance Director

BOARD
Robert Cecil
Kaelin Reed
Carrie Truitt
Brad Cox
Peggy Downs

March 19, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

The Marion County Public School District would like to partner with Nelson County on the "Skills for Youth" Planning Grant. Please accept this letter as our intent to participate. A board resolution regarding this grant is scheduled to be signed at the April 12, 2018, board meeting after approval.

If you have questions, don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Taylora Schlosser

Taylora Schlosser
Superintendent

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KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Board Resolutions

A RESOLUTION OF THE NELSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the **Nelson County Schools** has the desire for all our students to be globally competitive; and,

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WHEREAS, we commit to engage with partners in our community to facilitate the provision of adequate opportunities for our graduates to live, work, and contribute to the future growth and prosperity of our community and Commonwealth; therefore,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Nelson County/Independent Schools resolves to:

1. Cooperate toward the planning of a Regional Career Academy that expands career pathways studies available to students in our school districts; and,

2. Explore ways to align and develop educational programs in our schools to provide rigorous and connected learning opportunities from which students may choose; and,

3. Explore and plan how to create and participate in a Regional Career Academy in collaboration with the Kentucky Department of Education with funds provided by the New Skills for Youth Grant,

4. Work to build partnerships with regional business and industry partners, postsecondary representatives, economic developers, regional Workforce Investment Boards, other school districts, and representatives of our parents and students; and,

5. Ensure New Skills for Youth planning grant funds are used in strict compliance with the terms of the grant.

ENTERED INTO ON THIS DAY 2/20/18, by:

Letters of Commitment

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March 5, 2018
Mr. Tom Brown
Interim Superintendent
Nelson County Schools
288 Wildcat Lane
Bardstown, KY 40004

Dear Mr. Brown:

Elizabethtown Community and Technical College (ECTC) is pleased to be the postsecondary partner for the New Skills for Youth Planning Grant being submitted to create and/or enhance career pathways. We are committed to allowing one health science and one advanced manufacturing/robotics faculty member pay for extra classes to do the following:

1) Meet with area secondary faculty and school leaders as well as the project coordinator to ascertain curricular needs, equipment needs, creating a seamless transition pathway between secondary and postsecondary education in each career pathway, and other related tasks.
2) Meet with up to ten area employers in each career pathway jointly with secondary faculty, school representatives, and the project coordinator, to ascertain specific low employer needs as well as equipment needed to deliver training, and other information critical to the project success.
3) Attend planning meetings to ensure a coordinated effort between Elizabethtown Community and Technical College and our project partners.
4) Travel to career academies as well as visit their postsecondary partners to learn more about the College's role in making our career academy a success.
5) Other activities, as needed.

We also recognize that ECTC's role in an eventual implementation grant may include:

1) Accepting more dual-credit, high-school students into on-campus programs.
2) Allocating more space on campus for all-day, high-school seniors.
3) Providing classroom space for high-school teacher to teach high-school English and Mathematics on campus.
4) Providing a career counselor or advisor for high-school students.

In addition, the following staff will be involved as members of the steering committee for this project:

Dr. Tiffany Evans, Provost and Chief Academic Officer
Dr. Tiffany McFalls-Smith, Chair Biological and Health Sciences Division
Mr. Mike Hazzard, Chair Technical Division
Dr. Shawn Kellie, Interim Chair Physical Sciences and Related Technologies
Dr. Tom Davenport, Dean Workforce Development and Continued Education

Mr. Paul Sturgeon, Dean of Retention
Faculty Member Health Sciences (to be selected)
Faculty Member Advanced Manufacturing/Robotics (to be selected)

We look forward to the working collaboratively, during the planning grant, to ensure that students have viable career pathways and a seamless transition between secondary and postsecondary education.

Sincerely,

Juston C. Pate, Ph.D.
President/CEO

Fuji Seal
American Fuji Seal, Inc.

Nelson County School District
Tom Brown
288 Wildcat Lane
Bardstown, KY 40004

March 23, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

American Fuji Seal writes this letter of commitment supporting the New Skills for Youth partnership with Nelson County Schools. This letter establishes a partnership for the 2018-19 school year.

As a representative of Advanced Manufacturing and IT, American Fuji Seal will:

- Provide meaningful insight into career fields needed in growing occupations
- Advise and provide feedback on career pathways offered
- Provide guidance surrounding recognized credentials and opportunities students need in the form of certifications, trainings, licensing, diplomas, etc.
- Provide notifications of job opportunities

We are willing to be at roundtable discussions during the planning phase to give data and provide our knowledge surrounding the employer's needs.

Regards,

Edmund Becherer / pjr

Edmund Becherer
HR Director

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LG&E

Magnolia Gas Storage

March 9, 2018

To Whom It May Concern,

Magnolia Gas Storage of Louisville Gas & Electric Company in Magnolia, KY supports the New Skills for Youth Planning grant. We feel this grant will help students in meeting their career readiness goals that are truly needed in this community. We look forward to partnering with LaRue County Schools is this endeavor.

Sincerely,

John W. Skaggs
Manager Gas Storage – Magnolia
650 LG&E Road
Magnolia, KY 42757
(502) 364-8791

NPR OF AMERICA, INC
680 Wilson Parkway • Bardstown, Kentucky 40004
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Nelson County School District
Tom Brown
288 Wildcat Lane
Bardstown, KY 40004

Re: New Skills for Youth

March 21, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

NPR of America is writing this letter of commitment supporting the New Skills for Youth initiative. This letter establishes a partnership with Nelson County Schools for the 2018-19 school year. NPR of America currently participates in career focused initiatives and will continue to do so to increase opportunities for students leading to high-skill, high-demand occupations in the sector of Advanced Manufacturing.

As part of the New Skills for Grant planning phase, NPR of America will provide insight into career fields needed in growing occupations, advise and provide feedback on career pathways offered to high school students, provide guidance surrounding recognized credentials-degrees and certificates, contribute to the plan for Advanced Manufacturing pathways and courses, be at roundtable discussions and/or attend visits, if available, to programs that align to our needs.

Thank you for your consideration,

Robert Cecil

Robert Cecil
Secretary and Treasurer

NPR of America, Inc.

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Nelson County School District
Tom Brown
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March 23, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

ORBIS Corporation writes this letter of commitment supporting the New Skills for Youth partnership with Nelson County Schools. This letter establishes a partnership for the 2018 - 19 school year. ORBIS Corporation has been a supporter of the Nelson County Schools and the local workforce initiatives.

As a representative of Manufacturing and Skilled Technical Trades, ORBIS Corporation will:

- Provide meaningful insight into career fields needed in growing occupations
- Advise and provide feedback on career pathways offered
- Provide guidance surrounding recognized credentials and opportunities students need in the form of certifications, trainings, licensing, diplomas, etc.
- Provide notifications of job opportunities

We are willing to support this initiative and commit to continuing our partnership with the Nelson County Schools.

Sincerely,

Beth Bruch

Beth Bruch, HR Manager
ORBIS Corporation

Letter of Commitment

I. Statement of Purpose

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This **Letter of Commitment (LOC)** establishes a partnership between the Marion, Nelson, Larue, Bardstown City, and Washington County and TG Ky for the 2018-19 school year.

II. Mutual Commitments

By signing this LOC, partners indicate a commitment to the work of NSFY by serving on the Planning Team for the development of a Regional Career Academy. Additional involvement may include the following:

1. Providing guidance and oversight to the regional career academy upon receipt of grant funds.
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4. Providing dual or articulated credit opportunities as well as diplomas, certificates, certifications, occupational licensing and other benefits to students.
5. Assisting in the convening of key shareholders.

III. Contact information

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Toyoda Gosei Kentucky (TGKy)
Nathan Shewmaker
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IV. Agreement

The parties agree to the principles and commitments described above and agree to work together in good faith to advance the same. This agreement is effective for the 2018-19 year with the intent that this work will be sustained and scaled over the longer term. It is mutually understood that this agreement in no way restricts either party from participating in similar activities with other organizations.

Amendments to these commitments may be made at any time by agreement of the parties, who may terminate the agreement through written notice.

Required Signatories

Christine McRay — 3-19-18

Participating District, Superintendent/Designee — Date

J. Nathan Shearmaker — 3/19/2018

Partnering Organization, Designated Point of Contact — Date

Letter of Commitment

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Christina McRay, principal
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Toyotomi America
Holly Brady, Assistant Manager
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Springfield, KY 40069

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Required Signatories

Christina McRae 3-19-18

Participating District, Superintendent/Designee Date

Holly Brady Toyotomi America 3-16-18

Partnering Organization, Designated Point of Contact Date

BARDSTOWN INTERNET SERVICE

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KENTUCKY ONLINE

March 22, 2018

To: Whom It May Concern,

Bardstown Internet Service, Inc. in Bardstown, Kentucky is in full support of the application for the KDE New Skills for Youth Planning Grant. We currently employ students from the Nelson County Area Technical Center and look forward to a grant of this nature expanding our employment pool of students with networking and information technology skills. As an employer in Information Technology, we can offer specific insight for the planning grant in the efforts to working with the local school systems and expanding the community's trained workforce in this sector.

Sincerely,

J Lear

Jeffrey G. Lear
President
Bardstown Internet Service, Inc.

BLUEGRASS CELLULAR

March 16, 2018

Amanda Reed
Assistant Superintendent for Student Achievement
LaRue County Schools
208 College St.
Hodgenville, KY 42748

Dear Ms. Reed,

Bluegrass Cellular is committed to pursuing initiatives to bridge the gap between education and the real world. In addition to academic success, practical skills enabling students to become contributing members of their communities are crucial and we are dedicated to partnering with Larue County Schools to meet this goal.

Please consider this document as evidence of our commitment to turning this pursuit into reality through the Kentucky New Skills for Youth Initiative. This Letter of Commitment (LOC) establishes a partnership between the Larue County School District and Bluegrass Cellular for the 2018-19 school year.

By signing this LOC, we understand the commitment to the work of NSFY by serving on the Planning Team for the development of a Regional Career Academy. We understand that additional involvement may include the following:

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4. Providing dual or articulated credit opportunities as well as diplomas, certificates, certifications, occupational licensing and other benefits to students.
5. Assisting in the convening of key shareholders.

We enthusiastically look forward to this partnership.

Regards,
Sherry Powers
Vice President-Administration & Customer Service
powers@bluegrasscellular.com

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Nelson County School District
Tom Brown
288 Wildcat Lane
Bardstown, KY 40004

March 23, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to pledge my support for the New Skills for Youth partnership with Nelson County Schools. This letter establishes a commitment for the 2018-19 school year. Change driven by technology, economics and cultural/social pressures require that we continuously examine and plan for their evolutionary impacts. Developing programs that identify educational needs and project future requirements will enable Nelson County to better serve our students and businesses.

40 years' experience with the U.S. Army has provided me with a rich background in technology and marketing that will enable me to help shape and guide the growth of the program. Currently I am involved with NELCO Training Program, Guthrie Opportunity Center Transition Discovery (Training/Education for Intellectually and Developmentally disadvantaged) and the Bourbon Capital Community Alliance.

Key(s) to our future success;

- Continually evaluate and identify career fields needed in growing occupations
- Plan and develop flexible "Work Ready" academic models and pathways
- Foster and enable internships, apprenticeships and other experiential programs
- Evaluate and implement technology solutions for expanding academic access
- Develop programs that provide "re-training" to adapt to technology changes
- Assist students in developing a passion for "life long" learning

Thank you for your time,

Gary Bishop

HARDIN MEMORIAL HEALTH

March 14, 2018

To Whom It May Concern,

Hardin Memorial Health (HMH) is a hospital and healthcare provider to a service area covering 10 counties across central Kentucky. As a community-based, non-profit organization, we provide healthcare services to approximately 400,000 citizens across Hardin, Nelson, Larue and 7 other surrounding counties.

Healthcare, not only at HMH but across the state and country, is experiencing a shortage of skilled professionals across a number of different fields. Nursing, lab sciences, diagnostic services, rehabilitation services all are experiencing shortages in talent that is available to staff a growing need by an aging population and increasing medical technologies.

HMH supports programs like this in their endeavor to foster and develop an interest in young people, especially as it relates to a future in the healthcare environment. We are willing to assist in where we can.

Please let me know if anyone has any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Myra Covault

Myra Covault
Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer
Hardin Memorial Health

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KentuckyOne Health®

March 2, 2018

Dear New Skills for Youth Executive Board:

I am happy to submit the following letter of support to demonstrate our commitment to the Bardstown Independent and Larue County Schools' New Skills for Youth Regional Academy planning team. Our mission at Flaget Memorial Hospital, part of KentuckyOne Health, is *to bring wellness, healing, and hope to all.* Our goal is not only to provide the highest quality care to our patients but, more broadly, to create healthier communities.

We realize that we are reliant on having an educated and highly-skilled workforce to help us achieve our mission. We know that we cannot achieve our goals on our own, which is why we are committed to working with community partners, including our educational institutions, to advance our mission.

Flaget Memorial Hospital will support the New Skills for Youth project by serving on the New Skills for Youth Regional Academy planning team. We will work to attend meetings and we look forward to exploring ways we can promote health-related educational opportunities for area students.

Thank you for your consideration of our New Skills for Youth planning grant application.

Sincerely,

Norma Goss

Norma Goss
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(502) 350-5000

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Letter of Commitment

I. Statement of Purpose

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This **Letter of Commitment (LOC)** establishes a partnership between the Nelson County School Districts and Lincoln Trail District Health Department for the 2018-19 school year.

II. Mutual Commitments

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III. Contact information

Nelson County School District
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Lincoln Trail District Health Department
Sara Jo Best, MPH, Public Health Director
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IV. Agreement

The parties agree to the principles and commitments described above and agree to work together in good faith to advance the same. This agreement is effective for the 2018-19 year with the intent that this work will be sustained and scaled over the longer term. It is mutually understood that this agreement in no way restricts either party from participating in similar activities with other organizations.

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Required Signatories

Participating District, Superintendent/Designee	3/26/2018 Date
Partnering Organization, Designated Point of Contact	3-6-18 Date

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March 6, 2018

To Whom It May Concern,

Signature HealthCARE at Sunrise Manor completely supports the application of Larue County High School for the Kentucky New Skills for Youth Grant. As you may be aware, due to the limited resources in our community, there is a tremendous need for this in Larue County. We look forward to being an industry representative in this endeavor and will help to ensure a successful grant application and implementation.

Sincerely,

Justin Carwile
CEO/Administrator
Signature HealthCARE at Sunrise Manor
717 N. Lincoln Blvd.
Hodgenville, KY 42748

IHG electric

Nelson County School District
Tom Brown
288 Wildcat Lane
Bardstown, KY 40004

March 12, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

IHG Electric writes this letter of commitment supporting the New Skills for Youth partnership with Nelson County Schools. This letter establishes a partnership for the 2018-19 school year. IHG Electric has been a supporter and involved in numerous groups and happenings with Nelson County Schools and local workforce initiatives. We are a member of NELCO, have a representative on the Workforce Development Board, and serve on the Youth Committee. IHG Electrical is part of the Electrical Advisory Committee at the Area Technology Center, was involved in being the Work Ready Skills recipient, and currently participates in TRACK program.

As a part of the New Skills for Youth team, we will:

- Provide meaningful insight into career fields needed in growing occupations
- Advise and provide feedback on career pathways offered
- Provide guidance surrounding recognized credentials and opportunities students
- Continue to support work-based learning
- Be at roundtable discussions and/or visits related to our work

Thank you for your time,

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John Haydon
President

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Selection Committee, New Skills for Youth Grant
Hal Heiner, Cabinet Secretary, Education and Workforce

500 300 Sower Boulevard, 4th Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601

To: Selection Committee, New Skills for Youth Grant

RAME Contracting, LLC supports and will assist our local educational partners in pursuit of the Kentucky New Skills for Youth Planning Grant.

Currently, RAME Contracting is partnering with Nelson & Marion County Area Technology Centers to establish career paths in the Heavy – Civil Construction Industry. These career paths will be identified through the TRACK (Tech Ready Apprentices for Careers in Kentucky) Program. Also, RAME is willing to have a representative serve on a committee to help identify specific needs for these career paths as well.

We will strive to help in this process in any way to ensure a successful grant application and implementation.

Sincerely,

John Haydon

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A Touchstone Energy Cooperative
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March 6, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Salt River Electric Coop., Corp., a Community Non-Profit Organization, I wish to add our support to the Nelson County School District for the Kentucky New Skills for Youth Initiative, and its application for a planning grant.

This is another great opportunity for the Nelson County School District to collaborate on improving the skills of our youth in the workforce of the future.

Salt River Electric will work with the Nelson County School District to ensure a successful utilization of these grant funds.

Sincerely,

TIMOTHY J. SHARP
President/CEO

Salt River Electric is an equal opportunity provider and employer

CONWAY-HEATON
AUTOMOTIVE CENTER
Since 1919

March 12, 2017

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in support of the grant from Nelson County Schools for New Skills for Youth. As one of the owners of Conway Heaton Ford I can attest to our long time experience with coop students from the Nelson County School system and our dealership. This is one way we are trying to cope with the major shortage of automotive technicians in our industry. There is a nationwide shortage of technicians in the automotive sector. We currently employ several graduates from the Nelson County School system through our work with their schools and we also have two coop students employed at our Dealership at this time. While this has been helpful, much more is needed to help students develop skills for today's workforce.

I am also the Mayor of Bardstown, Kentucky. As such I am a member of the Bardstown Industrial Development Corporation and Nelson County Economic Development Agency. My experience on these boards has provided me with insight as to the extreme shortage of a skilled work force in our county. There is a shortage of people with IT skills, Robotic skills, and Mathematic, Technology, Engineering and Science skills available from the post high school level and post-secondary level students coming in to the workforce. Our local economic development agencies see a huge opportunity to coordinate with our local schools to develop programs and curriculums to fill this need in workforce development. The New Skills for Youth grant is much needed for our Nelson County School system to prepare our graduates for the future and the job skill needs at hand.

We are blessed to have many manufacturing facilities in our County. These plants are struggling to keep up with the demands for increased production and the sophistication of the equipment they must use to meet demands for this production. I am committed to serving in a voluntary capacity to assist our schools to meet their goals. The employees of Conway Heaton and the City of Bardstown share my commitment to our educational community. I hope we can count on the award of this grant to help us reach the needs of our students and our employers in Bardstown and Nelson County Kentucky.

Sincerely,

Dick Heaton

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MERCURY

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Jeep

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Letter of Commitment

I. Statement of Purpose

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IV. Agreement

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Required Signatories

Christina McRay — 3-19-18

Participating District, Superintendent/Designee — Date

3/19/2018

Partnering Organization, Designated Point of Contact — Date

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Don Wise, Chairman
Elizabethtown Airport Board

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March 16, 2018

To whom it may concern:

On behalf of the Elizabethtown Regional Airport, I am pleased to support the efforts of local and regional partners in securing a Kentucky New Skills for youth initiative planning Grant. The Elizabethtown Regional Airport recognizes the importance of aligning career focused education with high skill, high demand occupations. Having a workforce with skill sets that are marketable to our existing and potential business and industry in Hardin and surrounding counties is crucial to our success.

Sincerely

Donald B. Wise

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Chairman

Elizabethtown Regional Airport

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February 27, 2018

Mrs. Amber Gootee
College and Career Readiness Coordinator
288 Wildcat Drive
Bardstown, KY 40004

Dear Mrs. Gootee:

The Lincoln Trail Area Development District, on behalf of the Lincoln Trail Workforce Development Board, supports the Kentucky New Skills for Youth Initiative grant submitted by Nelson County Schools, Bardstown City Schools, and Nelson County Area Technology Center.

Our Workforce Development Board is the region's leader in development of a qualified workforce to meet the skills requirements for current and future job creation of business and industry.

If you receive this grant we will be glad to provide labor market information regarding high demand occupations in the targeted sectors of the Lincoln Trail Area, information on skills requirements for jobs in demand, feedback related to career pathways, and support for work-based learning opportunities.

We wish you success in receipt of this grant allowing local education systems the opportunity to transform the delivery of career and technical education in Nelson County.

Sincerely,

Wendell Lawrence
Executive Director

NELCO
Training, Inc
P.O. Box #702
Bardstown, Kentucky 40004

March 1, 2018

Nelson County Schools
288 Wildcat Drive
Bardstown, Kentucky 40004

Dear Ms. Gootee:

The purpose of this correspondence is to state the NELCO Training, Inc. support for your grant application for a "New Skills for Youth" program in Nelson County and the Bardstown area. Let me explain that NELCO Training, Inc. is a consortium of businesses and industries in Nelson and Washington Counties that have joined together to provide training opportunities that all have in common. Our membership comes from both large and small manufacturing in the area of auto components and bourbon distilling and bottling, as well as a variety of other business.

We build our local workforce in two ways: first from within by providing training opportunities for current employees and second, by partnering with our local schools and the Nelson County Area Technology Center by training high school students to become the future employees of our members.

Our company members have partnered with the Nelson County School system and the Bardstown City Schools by participating in mock interview days and becoming members of the Area Technology Center program advisory committees. Our company members have provided coop and intern opportunities for many years. Our sincere interest in bring the proper training for high school students as perspective employees is proven by our active participation.

Our members have stated many times that their primary needs for new employees are in the areas of machine tool, industrial maintenance, welding and various phases of the automotive industry. I personally, participated in the program committee for the Elizabethtown Community and Technical College Springfield Campus. Our committee voiced our preference for Industrial Maintenance and tool and die making. The ECTC administrators along with our local political leaders listened to our committee and those two areas became the primary programs for the ECTC Springfield campus.

Our community and technical college system has fostered the concept of duel credit for students in both academic and technical programs. Kentucky is one of only two states were instructors at the secondary level are required to hold their industry credentials that means that in order to be a welding instructor, for example, one must poses the national welding certification. The same goes for an automotive instructor and so on. Our secondary instructors whose programs qualify for duel credit are all certified to be instructors at the postsecondary level as well.

One of our company members (Flowers Baking Company) originally required all new hires to hold a two years associate degree from the community and technical college system. The type of program that Nelson County is working to implement would eventually lead many companies to view new employees in that light. Duel credit would drastically speed up that kind of process. It would also give students an opportunity to work and go to school at the same time, once they have graduated high school with the advancement of duel credit while in high school.

Our company members often participate in job fairs and post job opportunities regularly around the community in various places. I can speak from our members past history and state that they have demonstrated a willingness to participate in mock interviews and program steering committees. By working with our Area Technology Center and high schools, our companies will be providing feedback surrounding career pathways, alignment with manufacturing opportunities.

NELCO Training, Inc. members have worked closely with the staff from the Nelson County Economic Development Agency to further industry growing, job opportunities and guidance to the schools to bring secondary students into the career paths that will lead to long careers in various manufacturing fields.

Probably one of the most important roads to a career in our local manufacturing is through work based learning. That includes all phases of such programs like apprenticeships, coop programs, internships and job shadowing. Examples of these opportunities are too numerous to mention here.

Please know that NELCO Training, Inc. is ready to support our secondary schools in any way possible. We will be willing and available to participate in roundtables and other types of meetings to implement programs that will assist our local schools, economic development efforts and workforce development programs in any way we can.

Sincerely,

Stan Carton

Stan Carton
Executive Director

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Executive Director

March 8, 2018

To Whom It May Concern,

LaRue County Chamber of Commerce supports our local schools in the Kentucky New Skills For Youth Planning Grant. We look forward to being a community representative in this endeavor and helping to ensure a successful grant application and implementation.

Sincerely,

Sandy Kidd

Sandy Kidd
Executive Director

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KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Letter of Commitment

Nelson County School District
Tom Brown
288 Wildcat Lane
Bardstown, KY 40004

March 9, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

Nelson County Economic Development Agency and the Bardstown-Nelson Chamber of Commerce write this letter of commitment supporting the New Skills for Youth partnership for the planning of a career academy. This letter establishes a partnership between the Nelson County Schools and our community organizations for the 2018-19 school year.

Nelson County Economic Development and the Bardstown Nelson Chamber of Commerce represent and interact with local business and industry. The Work Ready Program is a current and continuous partnership with the schools that relate to this initiative as it is one that brings all the important players to the table to discuss the school's role in helping the Economic Development Agency and Chamber of Commerce in developing a strategy to move forward in workforce development.

We can provide insight into career fields needed by the region, provide guidance surrounding recognized credentials, provide labor market information, provide notifications of job opportunities, provide feedback on career pathways offered and support students in the work-based learning programs. We are willing to be at roundtable discussions during the planning phase to give data and provide our knowledge surrounding the community's needs.

As a partnering organization, we intend to serve on the committee to plan and provide guidance for the development of career academics that are employer-driven with business and industry partners, community, and education coming together.

Lynn Huston — President
Nelson County Economic Development

Samantha Brady — Executive Director
Bardstown Nelson Chamber of Commerce

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