

December 4, 2018

Wayne Lewis, Commissioner  
Kentucky Department of Education  
Office of the Commissioner of Education  
300 Sower Blvd.  
Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Commissioner Lewis:

The Boone County Board of Education would like to request one (1) Emergency Day for Kelly Elementary School for November 15, 2018. 702 KAR 7:140 (4.3) allows a local Board of Education to request an Emergency Day if one school in a district is forced to miss school on a specific day due to an emergency.

On Thursday, November 15, 2018, Kelly Elementary School was unable to hold school because of a power outage caused by an ice storm that blanketed the community where the school is located in western Boone County. Mike Poiry, Boone County Schools Assistant Superintendent of Operations, was in contact with Duke Energy representatives in regards to the extent of the loss of power to the school, and he questioned the representatives from Duke Energy in regards to repair timelines. However, there was no guarantee from Duke Energy that power could be repaired/restored to Kelly Elementary School in a reasonable amount of time to hold school on this day forcing the school to be without electricity during the students' day. Because of this information supplied by Duke Energy, it was necessary to cancel school at Kelly Elementary School on November 15, 2018 for the health and well being of the students, faculty, and staff at the school.

The Boone County Board of Education Order approving this request is included with this correspondence. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

Randy Poe, Superintendent  
Boone County Schools