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ISSUE PAPER

AGENDA ITEM: Approve the Kentucky Blood Center to host four blood drives throughout the 2019 – 2020 school year at Floyd Central High School.

APPLICABLE STATUTE(S), REGULATIONS OR BOARD POLICY:

Powers and Duties of the Board of Education 01.11

FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

There will be no cost associated with this request.

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

Many years ago, hospitals were responsible for blood supplies. The common practice for collecting blood for transfusions was to collect donations from patients' family and friends or even from the hospital's own staff. In some cases, family members were required to recruit donors before their loved ones could have surgery. In 1968, a group of concerned Lexington doctors decided blood should be collected, tested, and distributed from a central location to give every hospital an equal chance to get needed blood without worrying if there would be enough to go around. With the help of volunteer blood donors, Kentucky Blood Center (KBC) provides blood products to nearly 70 Kentucky hospitals and clinics in more than 60 Kentucky counties.

As a result of hosting these blood drives, a scholarship will be available to a graduating senior. The senior does not have to be a blood donor or involved in the blood drive. The scholarship will be awarded in the winners names but paid directly to the winner's chosen institution of higher education. Scholarships apply to the 2019 – 2020 school year only.

RECOMMENDATION AND RATIONALE:

Approve the request of a blood drive for FCHS


ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS:

Request for additional information


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