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Dr. Randy Poe, Superintendent
Boone County Schools
8330 U. S. Highway 42
Florence, KY 41042

Dear Superintendent Poe:

I am writing today with good news about your annual Unemployment Fund Statement for 2018. The Fund's annual audit is complete and the details of your district's contributions, investment income, claims paid and administrative fees are shown in the statement. For 2018 your district's account activity resulted in a surplus balance. Enclosed please find a refund check in that amount.

Due in part to the decrease in aggregate benefits paid in 2018 and in part to a 45% reduction in the Unemployment Program's operating expenses over the past decade, the fund is paying out \$4.4 million in member refunds. The decrease in expenses is the result of a sustained emphasis by your Unemployment Program Board of Trustees to increase the value of participation to districts.

During 2018 KSBA continued our focus on data security and recently submitted our data security systems to rigorous third-party intrusion testing with excellent results. Such testing demonstrates a sustained focus on security dating back to our 2016 upgrades when stored data was encrypted and software programs were moved to a secure ISO 27001 compliant cloud-based environment. At the June trustees meeting, our outside auditor, DMLO CPAs, rendered an unmodified or "clean" opinion on our 2018 financial statements. Should you wish to review the Fund's audited financial statements in their entirety, please contact us.

The calculation below determined your Unemployment Fund balance as of December 31, 2018. **Contributions** are the sum of quarterly payments your district made. **Investment Income** is your district's share of the fund's interest earned plus or minus fair market value accounting adjustments. **Benefits Paid** are the actual unemployment benefit payments made on behalf of your district. **KY Unemployment Finance Charge** is your district's share of the state-imposed finance charge on paid benefits. **Administrative Costs** is your district's share of the administrative costs for the fund.

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Plus:

Contributions Received in 2018	\$206,328.04
Investment Income	831.08

(Less):

Benefits Paid for 2018	29,988.04
KY Unemployment Finance Charge	164.93
Administrative Costs	10,180.81

Surplus Balance as of 12/31/2018

\$166,825.34

We continue to seek ways for Fund participants to further reduce unemployment benefit costs through lobbying, education and increased efficiency in responding to claims. Should you have questions about any aspects of this statement or the Fund, please do not hesitate to contact me, Chief Financial Officer Steve Smith, or Controller Leah Herrera at (800) 372-2962.

Sincerely,



Kerri Schelling, Executive Director
Kentucky School Boards Association

Enclosures

Cc: District Finance Officer (original check)
Board Chairperson