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**FW: Waiver of Charter Authorizer Training**

1 message

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**Biggerstaff, Melissa - (GRREC-New)** <melissa.biggerstaff@grrec.org>  
To: Superintendent <superintendent@staff.kyschools.us>  
Cc: "Biggerstaff, Melissa - (GRREC-New)" <melissa.biggerstaff@grrec.org>

Thu, Feb 6, 2020 at 12:09 PM

Superintendent Ford got the answer to the question from yesterday's board meeting about the charter waiver and formal board action. Please see below –

Melissa

**From:** "Foster, Kelly - KDE Associate Commissioner" <kelly.foster@education.ky.gov>  
**Date:** February 6, 2020 at 11:26:11 AM CST  
**To:** "Ford, Michael - Russell Co. Superintendent" <michael.ford@russell.kyschools.us>  
**Subject: RE: Waiver of Charter Authorizer Training**

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Superintendents can just submit the waiver on behalf of the board without actual board action.



***Kelly Foster, Ed.D.***

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**From:** Ford, Michael - Russell Co. Superintendent <michael.ford@russell.kyschools.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 6, 2020 12:06 PM

**To:** Foster, Kelly - KDE Associate Commissioner <[kelly.foster@education.ky.gov](mailto:kelly.foster@education.ky.gov)>

**Subject:** FW: Waiver of Charter Authorizer Training

Dr. Foster,

We had this discussion at our monthly Supt. meeting at GRREC yesterday...should we have our board approve a motion to formally request the waiver or can the superintendent request the waiver without formal board action?

Thank you.

*Michael A. Ford  
Superintendent*

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**From:** Brown, Kevin - Interim Commissioner of Education [<mailto:kevin.brown@education.ky.gov>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 05, 2020 3:07 PM

**To:** All State Superintendents (direct)

**Subject:** Waiver of Charter Authorizer Training

**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside of Russell County Schools.

Dear Superintendents,

During the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) meeting yesterday, I recommended to the KBE to prospectively and conditionally approve any future waivers of 701 KAR 8:020, Section 3(4) to remove any undue burden on local school boards associated with required charter authorizer training. This recommendation was approved by the KBE and allows local boards of education to be exempt from charter authorizer training until June 30, 2021 or until the district receives a charter application, as defined in KRS 160.1590(4), whichever occurs first. Any district receiving a charter application, as defined in KRS 160.1590(4), must continue to comply with 701 KAR 8:020, Section 3(4) within 10 calendar days of receiving such application.

At this time, you can submit an email/letter to me on behalf of your local board of education requesting to be exempt from the charter authorizer training. If you have questions, please contact Associate Commissioner Kelly Foster via email at [Kelly.Foster@education.ky.gov](mailto:Kelly.Foster@education.ky.gov).

Thank you for your feedback on this requirement. I look forward to your continued input and conversations to ensure success for each and every student.

Sincerely,

Kevin C. Brown



***Kevin C. Brown***

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