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**THE KENTON COUNTY BOARD OF  
EDUCATION**

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Dr. Henry Webb, Superintendent of Schools

**KCSD ISSUE PAPER**

**DATE:**

June 21, 2018

**AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):**

Consider/Approve utilizing Northern Kentucky Cooperative for Educational Services (NKCES) for Visual Impairment Services specifically Braille instruction for our Braille students.

**APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:**

01.11 General Powers and Duties of the Board

**HISTORY/BACKGROUND:**

Finding a certified teacher of the visually impaired (TVI) is really difficult. This is and has been a critical shortage area. Kenton County has recently hired a TVI teacher. However, this teacher is not certified but is enrolled in the Teacher of the Visually Impaired Program at the University of Kentucky which, as a result, allows this teacher to be hired as a TVI teacher. This teacher does not know Braille and several of our students require Braille instruction per their Individualized Education Plans (IEP's). NKCES has a TVI teacher and two paraprofessionals that they have on staff for districts to utilize in order to provide visual impairment services to students. Each year, the districts who utilize these services will vary depending on their student needs which means the cost varies annually as well. Kenton County utilized these services during the 2017-2018.

**FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

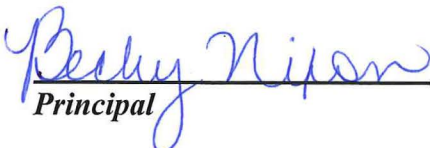
The cost of this service will be \$39,752.00 for the 2018-2019 school year. This cost will be paid from IDEA-B funds.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

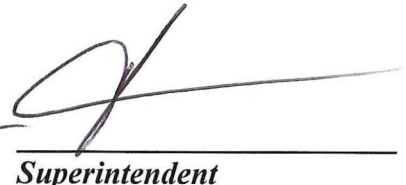
Request approval to utilize NKCES for visual impairment services for the 2017-2018 school year.

**CONTACT PERSON:**

Becky Nixon/Jenny Miller-Horn

  
Principal

  
District Administrator

  
Superintendent

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