

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF NOTE

Topic: Certification of Non-Public Schools

Date: June 2, 2021

Action Requested: Review Action/Consent Action/Discussion

Held In: Full Board Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Operations

SUMMARY OF ISSUE BEFORE THE BOARD:

To take action on the request to certify the non-public schools that voluntarily applied and have been presented for certification by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission (KyNPSC). KRS 156.160(3) provides that any “private, parochial or church school may voluntarily comply with curriculum, certification, and textbook standards established by the Kentucky Board of Education and be certified upon application to the board by such schools.”

COMMISSIONER’S RECOMMENDATION:

The Commissioner recommends that the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) accept the recommendations for voluntary certification of the non-public schools listed below that the KyNPSC ensures have successfully completed the accreditation process through a KBE-approved accrediting agency.

APPLICABLE STATUTE OR REGULATION:

KRS 156.160(3)

BACKGROUND:

Existing Policy:

For nearly 30 years, the KBE has certified non-public schools by considering recommendations from the KyNPSC. Specifically, the KyNPSC ensures the schools being presented for certification have successfully completed the accreditation process through one of the following KBE-approved accrediting agencies:

- KyNPSC, Inc.;
- American Association of Christian Schools (AACS);
- Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI);
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) / AdvancEd / Cognia;
- Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod;
- Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS);
- North American Division of Seventh Day Adventists;
- International Christian Accrediting Association (ICAA);
- Association Montessori International (AMI);
- American Montessori Society (AMS)

Summary of Issue:

The KyNPSC presents the non-public schools listed below to be considered for voluntary certification by the KBE. The schools listed below have successfully completed a voluntary accreditation process conducted by the KyNPSC or another KBE-approved accrediting agency.

The following schools are being presented for certification:

ONE year (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022) Accredited by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission:

Holy Family School
Ms. Elizabeth Vieth
338 East 16th Street
Covington, KY 41014

Prince of Peace School
Ms. Kendra McGuire
625 Pike Street
Covington, KY 41011

Sayers Classical Academy
Ms. Sandra Lawson
7709 Bardstown Road
Louisville, KY 40291

Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary School
Ms. Rebecca Brown
605 Hill’N’Dale Road
Lexington, KY 40503

St. Mary School
Ms. Miranda Chaplin
Paris, KY 40361

TWO years (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023) Accredited by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission:

Holy Family Collegiate High School
Ms. Ann Kempf
932 Winchester Avenue
Ashland, KY 41101

FIVE years (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2026) Accredited by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission:

Blessed Sacrament School
Mr. Dan Steffen
2407 Dixie Highway
Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017

Holy Trinity Elem. & Junior High School
Ms. Katie Jacobs
235 Division Street
Bellevue, KY 41073

Oneida Baptist Institute
Ms. Angie Gritton
P.O. Box 67
Oneida, KY 40972

St. John School
Mr. Dan Mardell
106 Military Street
Georgetown, KY 40324

St. Joseph School
Ms. Sue Greis
4011 Alexandria Pike
Cold Spring, KY 41076

St. Philip School
Ms. Jennifer Twehues
1400 Mary Ingles Highway
Melbourne, KY 41059

Holy Name School
Ms. Judy Jenkins
628 Second Street
Henderson, KY 42420

Mary, Queen of Heaven School
Ms. Meg Piatt
1130 Donaldson Highway
Erlanger, KY 41018

St. Henry Elementary School
Mr. Dennis Wolf
3825 Dixie Highway
Elsmere, KY 41018

St. Joseph Academy

Sr. Patricia Jean Cushing
48 Needmore Street
Walton, KY 41094

St. Mark School
Ms. Cathy Cornett
115 Parrish Avenue
Richmond, KY 40475

Valor Traditional Academy
Mr. J.P. Fugate
11501 Schlatter Road
Louisville, KY 40291

ONE year (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022) Accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International:

Harvest Christian Academy
Ms. Stephanie Howerton
73 Old Schoolhouse Rd., Box 398
South Portsmouth, KY 41174

Northside Baptist Christian School
Ms. Jenny Page
711 North 12th Street
Mayfield, KY 42066

FIVE years (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2026) Accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International:

Glasgow Christian Academy
Ms. Tracy Shaw
P.O. Box 276
Glasgow, KY 42142

Providence Christian Academy
Mr. Ron Gleaves
172 Southgate Drive
Georgetown, KY 40324

Heritage Christian Academy
Ms. Linda Garris
8349 Eagle Way Bypass
Hopkinsville, KY 42240

FIVE years (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2026) Accredited by Cognia/AdvancEd/Southern Association of Colleges and Schools:

Barkley Elementary School
Ms. Jenaya Parris
4720 Polk Road
Ft. Campbell, KY 42223

Ft. Campbell High School
Dr. Thomas Whittle
912 Carentan Road
Ft. Campbell, KY 42223

Mahaffey Middle School
Ms. Linda Haberman
71 South Carolina Avenue
Ft. Campbell, KY 42223

Christ the King School
Ms. Paula Smith
412 Cochran Road
Lexington, KY 40502

Barsanti Elementary School
Mr. Hugh McKinnon
7409 McAuliffe Loop
Ft. Campbell, KY 42223

Lucas Elementary School
Mr. Steven Gardner
2115 Airborne Street
Ft. Campbell, KY 42223

Marshall Elementary School
Dr. Tabatha Ware
70 Texas Avenue
Ft. Campbell, KY 42223

FIVE years (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2026) Accredited by the Independent Schools Association of the Central States:

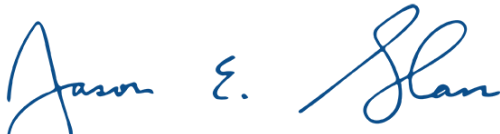
Redwood Cooperative School
Ms. Sarah Cummins
166 Crestwood Drive
Lexington, KY 40503

GROUPS CONSULTED AND BRIEF SUMMARY OF RESPONSES:

The KyNPSC ensures the schools presented herein have met the accrediting standards of the KyNPSC or another KBE-approved accrediting agency and, accordingly, recommends the KBE grant these schools certification pursuant to KRS 156.160(3).

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