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Dear Kentucky Board of Education members,

The Kentucky School for the Blind Charitable Foundation (KSBCF) board members would like to introduce ourselves to you. KSBCF is a Kentucky-based and operated not-for-profit 501(c)3 dedicated to supporting students and individuals in Kentucky who are blind and visually impaired. Our primary focus is supporting the Kentucky School for the Blind and the hundreds of students the school serves across the Commonwealth through their outreach and on-campus programs.

KSBCF wishes to express their gratitude to the Kentucky Board of Education for the additional funding recently given to the Kentucky School for the Blind. For nearly two centuries, the Kentucky School for the Blind has served students in Kentucky who are blind and visually impaired. The Kentucky School for the Blind provides many options for students with visual impairments such as full-time residence on campus, specialized instruction through a 1-12-week short-term program and academic and career-oriented summer programs. While on campus, students are taught the same core curriculum as their sighted peers in a neighborhood school and receive special, instruction in the expanded core curriculum on such topics as independent living, orientation and mobility, assistive technology, sensory efficiency, and much more.

Braille and large type books, assistive and adaptive technology, specialized educational aids, low vision services, and assistance to all of Kentucky 171 school districts is also provided by the Kentucky School for the Blind. Additionally, students benefit from the school's role in providing professional development opportunities for teachers of the visually impaired throughout Kentucky.

Once again, thank you for your support of the Kentucky School for the Blind and recognition of the school as a vital and necessary statewide resource for hundreds of students who are blind and visually impaired.

Sincerely,

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