

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF NOTE

Topic: Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) 2024-2026 Biennial Budget Update

Date: August 2023

Action Requested: Review Action/Consent Action/Discussion

Held In: Full Board Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

Operations

SUMMARY OF ISSUE BEFORE THE BOARD

To update the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) on the development of KDE's 2024-2026 Biennial Budget Request.

APPLICABLE STATUTE OR REGULATION:

KRS Chapter 48

BACKGROUND:

Existing Policy:

KDE budget staff have conducted discussions with KDE Leadership and staff regarding the formulation of the 2024-2026 Biennial Budget Request. The Office of Finance and Operations (OFO) has presented information to the KBE in a different format and sequence than prior years to provide more time for KBE input and feedback. With the enactment of HB 360 (2023), the submission date for the Biennial Budget Request moved from November 15 to October 1. Therefore, the overview of materials which began in February will now conclude in August rather than the previous October deadline.

At the February KBE meeting, staff provided a summary of the Six Year Capital Planning process, as well as recommended projects for inclusion in the 2024-2030 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan. The February meeting reintroduced Additional Budget Requests (ABRs) requested in previous budget cycles that did not receive funding or sufficient funding. At the April KBE meeting, budget staff discussed Baseline Budget and Defined Calculations, along with additional ABRs for consideration. The June KBE meeting continued discussions on ABRs and next steps were discussed for board input concerning prioritization of ABRs. Program staff have been available at each meeting and assist OFO in presentations for both prior and new ABRs and to answer board member questions. Prior to the August KBE meeting, OFO staff surveyed KBE members regarding ABR prioritization. At the August KBE meeting, the final recommended budget will be presented for the KBE's consideration and then submitted to the Governor's Office October 1.

Summary of Issue:

The August presentation will provide discussion of ABR prioritization. Prior to the KBE meeting, OFO staff surveyed KBE members regarding ABR priorities. The survey results will be used to assist KBE members in final ABR prioritization.

Budget Impact:

While there is no impact to the KDE's current budget, the KBE will approve the final

recommended budget that will be submitted to the Governor for consideration for inclusion in the 2024-2026 Executive Branch Budget Request. During the 2024 Legislative Session, the Kentucky General Assembly will enact a budget that will establish KDE funding for the next biennium.

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