

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STAFF NOTE

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

Date: February 2024

Action Requested: Review Action/Consent Action/Discussion

Held In: Full Board Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

Operations

SUMMARY OF ISSUE BEFORE THE BOARD

To discuss and review the 2022-2024 Executive Budget recommendation.

APPLICABLE STATUTE OR REGULATION:

KRS Chapter 48, KRS 156.070(5)

BACKGROUND:

Existing Policy:

As part of formulating the Kentucky Department of Education's (KDE) budget request, budget staff conducted discussions across the department with KDE Leadership and staff. The Office of Finance and Operations (OFO) presented the information received to the Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) in a slightly different format and sequence than prior years to provide more time for 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. As a result, the overview of materials began in February and concluded in August.

At the August KBE meeting, the final recommended budget was presented for the KBE's consideration and then submitted to the Governor's Office on October 1, 2023, for inclusion in the 2024-2026 Executive Branch Budget Request. On December 18, the Governor publicly released his proposed Executive Budget (HB 114). The Kentucky House of Representatives' version, House Bill 6, was introduced on January 16, 2024.

Summary of Issue:

During the 2024 Legislative Session, the Kentucky General Assembly will enact a budget that will establish KDE funding for the next biennium. The presentation will focus on the Governor's and the House's proposed budgets.

Budget Impact:

While there is no impact to the KDE's current budget, 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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