

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Waiver:

16 KAR 4:080. Request to Waive Out-of-State Recency Requirement for Kimberly Hayes

Action Question:

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve the request to waive the out-of-state recency requirement and issue a Kentucky professional certificate for Kimberly Hayes?

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 161.028, 16 KAR 4:080

History/Background:

Existing Policy: 16 KAR 4:080 requires that an out-of-state prepared educator have completed six semester hours of graduate credit within the five years preceding application for certification in Kentucky if their educator preparation program was completed more than five years prior to the application date.

Summary: Kimberly Hayes is requesting a waiver of the out-of-state recency regulation. Ms. Hayes has taught in Tennessee for over twenty years, is a Level 5 teacher, and holds a valid Tennessee license. She recently moved to Kentucky and accepted a position at an elementary school. Ms. Hayes completed her teacher preparation program in 2001 and has not completed any graduate credit within the past five years. She states that she plans to take the LETRs by Lexia classes and will have more than six hours, but it is a two-year program and not available to start until the spring. Ms. Hayes requests that the EPSB consider her previous experience from out-of-state to waive the out-of-state recency requirement of six graduate hours and issue her the full five-year Kentucky certificate.

Budget Impact: There is no budgetary impact.

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