#### **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

### **STAFF NOTE**

## **Action Item:**

Option 1 Alternative Route to Certification Application for Natalie Fields

## **Action Question:**

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve the alternative route to certification application?

### **Applicable Statute or Regulation:**

KRS 161.028, KRS 161.030, KRS 161.048, 16 KAR 9:010

#### **History/Background:**

**Existing Policy:** The applicant must meet a minimum GPA requirement and must have either a major in the academic area or passing score on the academic content assessment. The applicant must also have a job offer in the academic area for which certification is requested in a Kentucky school district.

**Summary:** Jefferson County Public Schools has submitted the CA-265 application and portfolio for Natalie Fields. The district is requesting that the EPSB approve her application for certification in the area of **Theater**, **All Grades**. The application and portfolio are included under separate cover.

Budget Impact: There is no budgetary impact.

# **Groups Consulted and Brief Summary of Responses:**

Todd Davis, Division Director Crystal Hord, Branch Manager Melinda Penny, Consultant

The applicant meets the minimum GPA requirement in the academic area. Jefferson County Public Schools offered the applicant a job teaching Theater, All Grades. The EPSB will need to determine if the applicant's work experience constitutes exceptional work experience.

#### **Contact Person:**

Crystal Hord, Branch Manager Division of Educator Preparation and Certification Office of Educator Licensure and Effectiveness (502) 564-4606

Email: crystal.hord@education.ky.gov