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Issue Paper

DATE:

4/23/25

AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):

Consider/Approve Ja'Kyion Jones request to graduate early on May 6, 2025 from Northern Kentucky Youth Development Center (NKYDC) to attend Gateway Community and Technical College in June of 2025.

APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:

08.113 Graduation Requirements

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

Ja'Kyion Jones first enrolled in NKYDC on January 6, 2025 and is a student in cohort 2026.

Upon review of his transcript, Ja'Kyion had completed all of his high school graduation credit requirements at his previous institution, Warren Correctional.

Ja'Kyion has completed a carpentry elective, a masonry elective, and has completed the C-Tech network hardware installation course, "Introduction to Copper Wiring." For transition readiness, he has also completed two Occupational Safety and Health Administration certifications, OSHA Construction and OSHA general industry. These certifications were completed in January 2025 and February 2025.

As a KCS D student at NKYDC, Ja'Kyion has also applied for, and been accepted into, the dual credit program at Gateway Community & Technical College. He qualified for the KDE Dual Credit Scholarship, and Ja'Kyion began his Gateway dual credit course, Financial Literacy, on February 10, 2025. He has now earned 23.5 high school credit hours. Ja'Kyion has applied to Gateway Community & Technical College and has been accepted as a full-time student for the 2025-2026 school year.

FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Ja'Kyion Jones request to graduate early on May 6, 2025 from Northern Kentucky Youth Development Center (NKYDC) to attend Gateway Community and Technical College in June of 2025.

CONTACT PERSON:

Lesley Smith, Assistant Superintendent


Principal/Administrator


District Administrator


Superintendent

*Use this form to submit your request to the Superintendent for items to be added to the Board Meeting Agenda.
Principal –complete, print, sign and send to your Director. Director –if approved, sign and put in the Superintendent's mailbox.*

Early Graduation Application

Date: February 4, 2025

Ja'Kyion M. Jones
15600 Turner Drive
Crittenden, KY 41030
chris.bryson@kenton.kyschools.us (Lead Teacher's email address)
859-363-2542

Mr. Todd Dupin
Director of Pupil Personnel
The Kenton County School District
1055 Eaton Drive
Ft. Wright, KY 41017

Dear Mr. Dupin,

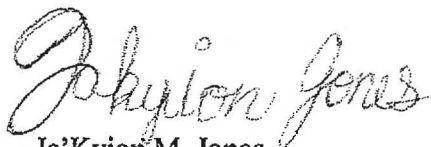
I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to formally request early graduation from the Northern Kentucky Youth Development Center due to personal circumstances that necessitate my graduation ahead of the standard schedule.

Due to my recent application and acceptance to Gateway Community and Technical College, I believe that completing my graduation requirements by May 23, 2025 is the best course of action. My goal is to complete a baccalaureate degree in finance and/or start my own business. My high school credits were completed at the Warren Regional Juvenile Detention Center, and I have successfully completed my Civics Test Requirement at NKYDC. Additionally, I have successfully completed two Occupational and Safety Hazard Association certifications while at NKYDC to help ensure I am transition-ready. In conclusion, I have diligently worked on my academic achievements and have maintained an unweighted GPA of 2.52 that qualifies me for this consideration.

I kindly ask for your support in this matter and hope to discuss the possibility of early graduation at your earliest convenience. I am more than willing to meet and provide any additional documentation required to support my application.

Thank you for considering my request. I look forward to your positive response.

Sincerely,



Ja'Kyion M. Jones
State ID: 2121048971



March 2025

Ja'Kylon Montez Jones
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Crittenden, KY 41030

Boone Campus
500 Technology Way
Florence, KY 41042

Edgewood Campus
790 Thomas More Parkway
Edgewood, KY 41017

Urban Metro Campus
516 Madison Avenue
Covington, KY 41011

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is an equal educational and employment
opportunity institution

Dear Ja'Kylon:

Re: Ja'Kylon Montez Jones ID #003070963

Welcome to Gateway Community and Technical College! We are thrilled to inform you that you are accepted to Gateway. As a valued member of our academic community, you are about to embark on an exciting journey of learning, growth, and opportunity. 🎓 📖

If you have any questions or need further assistance, don't hesitate to reach out to our admissions office. We're here to support you as you transition into college life. You can reach the admissions office at (859) 441-4500. We look forward to hearing from you.

Once again congratulations on taking this first step towards your future. I wholeheartedly welcome you and am eager to see the positive impact you will have in our community.

Sincerely,

Andre Washington
Associate Vice President of Enrollment
Office of Admissions
859-441-4500





*Empl ID: 003070963 *Term: 4254 Fall 2025

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Course	Section	Course Title	Location	Dates	Credits	Meets	Begins	Ends	BLDG	Room	Instruct
IRW 100	98P3	Int Reading and Writing Worksh	GTWONLINE	08/18 - 12/14/2025	LEC	3.00	TBA		WWW		STAFF
OST 105	98Z2	Intro to Info Systems	GTWONLINE	08/18 - 12/14/2025	LEC	3.00	TBA		WWW		STAFF
BAS 160	98Z1	Introduction to Business	GTWONLINE	08/18 - 12/14/2025	LEC	3.00	TBA		WWW		STAFF
ENG 101	98P3	Writing I	GTWONLINE	08/18 - 12/14/2025	LEC	3.00	TBA		WWW		STAFF

ESTER TUITION IS DUE 7 DAYS BEFORE CLASS START TO AVOID CANCELLATION FOR NON-PAYMENT

rough your Student Self Service or set up an easy payment plan by visiting the Gateway website / affording college.

to: Gateway Community and Technical College,

more Parkway, Edgewood, Kentucky 41017.

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