

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Waiver:

16 KAR 2:020. Request to Waive Renewal Requirements for Provisional Occupation-Based Career and Technical Education Certificate for John Booth

Action Question:

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve the Office of Career and Technical Education's (OCTE) request to renew John Booth's one-year provisional occupation-based career and technical education certificate based on zero hours of college credit?

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 161.020, KRS 161.028, 16 KAR 2:020

History/Background:

Existing Policy: 16 KAR 2:020 establishes the qualifications for certification of teachers of occupation-based career and technical education. Section 2(3) sets the requirements for subsequent renewals of the one-year provisional certificate. Specifically, subsequent renewal requires recommendation from the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and, if applicable, an accredited provider of an occupation-based educator preparation degree program. The KDE or the accredited provider of an occupation-based educator preparation degree program, shall ensure the candidate completes six semester hours of college credit, completes four days of professional development, and successfully completes the background disclosure.

Summary: OCTE has submitted this waiver on behalf of John Booth, an electricity teacher. In October 2024, Mr. Booth started the registration process with Gateway College; however, he did not receive information from them until January 2025. The classes were online, and he was given the information but was unable to log into the class. The instructor emailed him back and said it was too late to enter the class, and he would email him later with instructions, but Mr. Booth never received a response. Mr. Booth has now applied to Murray State University for the summer classes. OCTE is requesting that the EPSB waive the requirement of six credit hours for Mr. Booth and issue the one-year provisional certificate.

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