

## **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

### **STAFF NOTE**

#### **Waiver:**

16 KAR 3:090. Request to Allow the Previous School Leaders Licensure Assessment to meet the Requirements for Issuance of a Principal Certificate for Amy Torres

#### **Action Question:**

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve Amy Torres's request to allow her previous passing score on the School Leaders Licensure Assessment (SLLA) (1010) test in January 2006 to meet the testing requirements for issuance of the principal certificate?

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

KRS 161.020, KRS 161.027 KRS 161.028, KRS 161.030, 16 KAR 3:090

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

**Existing Policy:** 16 KAR 3:090 establishes the examination prerequisites for advanced educational leaders. Section 3(2) requires candidates for principal certification to pass the SLLA (6990) test. Section 3(6) states an applicant for certification for advanced educational leadership shall only be required to pass the SLLA once.

**Summary:** Amy Torres is requesting that the SLLA (1010) that she took in January 2006 substitute for the SLLA (6990) for issuance of the Kentucky principal certificate. This score was part of her original Indiana administrator licensure, but they were not reflected in the documentation transferred during her 2009 application. She relocated to Kentucky from Indiana in July 2009 and submitted the necessary documentation for a reciprocal license for both teaching and administrative credentials. She believed that her Kentucky certification fully qualified her to serve as a principal until she applied for an assistant principal position and learned that her initial certification did not meet the full criteria and her SLLA scores were not received. A letter from her education preparation provider is included in the documentation verifying she completed the program and her passing score on the SLLA. Ms. Torres is requesting that the EPSB allow her previous SLLA scores to meet the testing requirements and issue the principal certification.

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