

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Waiver:

16 KAR 2:120. Request to Waive Emergency Certificate Requirements for Carroll County Schools

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 161.028, 16 KAR 2:120

History/Background:

Existing Policy: 16 KAR 2:120 Section 2(3)(b) provides that “The emergency certificate shall be limited to two (2) issuances. A candidate may qualify for an additional issuance if: 1. The emergency certificate was issued after February 15 of a school year; or 2. The emergency certificate was issued for less than fifty (50) percent of the person’s class schedule.”

Summary: Carroll County Schools has been unsuccessful in finding qualified teachers for middle school social studies. The candidate has taught in this district for the past two years under emergency certification. He has been conditionally admitted into an Option 6 program but needs to complete four courses to increase his grade point average to be fully admitted. The district states they have no certified applicants for this position and have posted on their website, Frontline Education, the Kentucky Educator Placement Service (KEPS), Indeed and on social media. They have also attended career fairs and collaborated with universities to spread the word. The district is requesting that the EPSB waive the number of years an emergency certificate can be offered and issue a third emergency certificate for this candidate.

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