

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Waiver:

16 KAR 9:040. Request to Waive GPA Requirements for Option 4 Adjunct Instructor Certification for a Candidate.

Action Question:

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve the request to waive the grade point average (GPA) requirement for Option 4, Adjunct Instructor Certification for a candidate?

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 161.046, KRS 161.048, 16 KAR 9:040

History/Background:

Existing Policy: 16 KAR 9:040 establishes the minimum requirements for an adjunct instructor certificate. Section 2 of the regulation outlines the GPA requirements of a minimum of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale or at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale on the last thirty (30) hours of credit completed.

Summary: Pike County Schools has submitted a waiver request on behalf of a candidate for Option 4, Adjunct Instructor Certification. The candidate holds a bachelor's degree but doesn't meet the GPA requirement. He has worked in the Pike County Schools for multiple years and has been a tremendous role model. One of the classes on the candidate's transcript is a withdrawal with a failing grade which has been debated but not adjusted. This has adversely impacted the overall GPA and hindered his ability to meet the GPA requirement. Pike County Schools is requesting the EPSB waive the GPA requirement to allow the candidate to receive the one-year certificate.

Budget Impact: There is no budgetary impact.

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