

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Waiver:

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

Action Question:

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve Campbell County's request to allow for a third issuance of an emergency certificate?

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: Campbell County Schools has been unsuccessful in finding qualified teachers for Spanish. The candidate has a temporary provisional for English. The district states they have high enrollment for their Spanish program for the 2025-2026 school year and need the candidate, who is fluent in Spanish, to teach one Spanish course. 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.

Budget Impact: There is no budgetary impact.

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