

## School Safety and Resiliency Act Trauma-Informed Approach Plan for 2025-2026

KRS 158.4416(1) defines a "trauma-informed approach" as, "incorporating principles of trauma awareness and trauma-informed practices in a school in order to foster a safe, stable, and understanding learning environment for all students and staff and ensuring that all students are known well by at least one (1) adult in the school setting."

Section (5) requires each local board of education and board of a public charter school to develop a plan for implementing a trauma-informed approach in its schools. The plan shall include but not be limited to strategies for:

- (a) Enhancing trauma awareness throughout the school community;
- (b) Conducting an assessment of the school climate, including but not limited to inclusiveness and respect for diversity;
- (c) Developing trauma-informed discipline policies;
- (d) Collaborating with the Department of Kentucky State Police, the local sheriff, and the local chief of police to create procedures for notification of trauma-exposed students; and
- (e) Providing services and programs designed to reduce the negative impact of trauma, support critical learning, and foster a positive and safe school environment for every student.

**District Name:** Hopkins County

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Required component in KRS 158.4416	Strategies/Practices	Data used to document/monitor implementation	Resources and partners used	Timeline	Role or committee(s) responsible
<p><i>Ensuring that all students are known well by at least one adult in the school setting</i></p> <p><b>Goal:</b> HCS will combine the Trauma Team with existing MTSS Student Success Team by September 30, 2025.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School MTSS Student Success &amp; TIC Teams will meet monthly to analyze student data to determine student needs and provide supports and interventions.</li> </ul>	Meeting agenda & minutes	School Teams analyze data to ensure student needs are met.	By 9/30/2025	District TIC Team & School Staff

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<p><i>Enhancing trauma awareness throughout the school community</i></p> <p><b>Goal:</b> The District TIC team will provide training/resources beginning no later than September 30, 2025 to share knowledge and strategies so that school staff can better support students impacted by trauma.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TeamHopkins Teach Together PD Session and Summer Summit PD Session</li> <li>Community Newsletter Best Practices</li> </ul>	Agendas, Training Materials, Newsletters	HCS Community Newsletter	August-May 2026	District TIC Team
<p><i>Conducting an assessment of the school climate (including but not limited to inclusiveness and respect for diversity)</i></p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Students in Grades 3-8, 10, &amp; 11 will take the Quality of School Climate &amp; Safety Survey during the assessment window at the end of the school year.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will take the Quality of School Climate &amp; Safety Survey.</li> <li>District TIC Team will disaggregate and analyze results to guide decision making.</li> </ul>	Survey Results	Quality of School Climate & Safety Survey	KSA Assessment Window & Data Release Window	District TIC Team

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<p><i>Developing trauma-informed discipline policies</i></p> <p><b>Goal:</b> Develop a district Trauma Informed Care Handbook for staff to use as a guide for state/district policies and procedures by August 30, 2025.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a TIC handbook.</li> <li>Provide staff training on how to implement the handbook.</li> </ul>	Handbook, Agendas, Minutes	UK Trauma Informed Care Training & Resource Basecamp	August 30, 2025	Director of Pupil Personnel and District Social Worker
<p><i>Collaborating with the Department of Kentucky State Police, the local sheriff and the local chief of police to create procedures for notification of trauma-exposed students (Handle with Care/HWC notification)</i></p> <p><b>Goal:</b> District and school staff will collaborate (beginning no later than September 30, 2025) to ensure HWC-identified students are approached using a trauma and resilience lens.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District staff will update HWC system in August.</li> <li>District TIC team will share HWC strategies with school TIC team at September/October 2025 meeting.</li> </ul>	Meeting Agendas & Minutes	Local Law Enforcement & CPS office	September-October 2025	District and School TIC Team

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<p><i>Providing services and programs designed to reduce the negative impact of trauma, support critical learning, and foster a positive and safe school environment for every student.</i></p> <p><b>Goal:</b></p> <p>School TIC teams will meet monthly (beginning no later than September 30, 2025) to analyze student data, discuss student needs, and share strategies so that school staff can better support students impacted by trauma.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Principal will add TIC to MTSS Student Success agenda as a standing item led by district TIC rep</li> <li>District TIC team will host a monthly meeting to discuss modules and strategies</li> </ul>	<p>Agendas, Minutes, and Training Materials</p>	<p>UK Trauma Informed Care Basecamp</p> <p>Cook Foundation</p>	<p>August-May 2026</p>	<p>District and School TIC Team</p>