

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Waiver:

16 KAR 3:090. Request to Waive Certified Teaching Experience Requirements for Admission to a Director of Special Education Program for Kasey Hampton

Action Question:

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve the request to waive the admission and certification requirement?

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 156.160, KRS 161.028, KRS 161.027, 16 KAR 3:090, 16 KAR 9:080

History/Background:

Existing Policy: 16 KAR 3:090 establishes the preparation and certification requirements for all advanced educational leaders. Section 2 of the regulation sets the prerequisites for admission to a preparation program for advanced education leaders. These prerequisites include qualifications for a Kentucky teaching certificate, admission to the approved preparation program on the basis of criteria developed by the Educator Preparation Provider pursuant to 16 KAR 5:010, Rank II, and completion of at least three years of full-time teaching experience. For admission to a Director of Special Education preparation program, Section 8(2) provides that the candidate may have three years of full-time experience as a school psychologist but shall have a minimum of one year as a teacher of exceptional children or school psychologist to meet the experience requirements of Section 2.

Summary: Morehead State University has submitted a waiver on behalf of Kasey Hampton, a candidate for admission to the Director of Special Education program. Morehead State University requests a waiver of the requirement of a minimum of one year of experience as a teacher of exceptional children or school psychologist. Ms. Hampton has served as a middle school assistant principal for the past two years and as an elementary principal for five years. She has also completed 232 professional development and training hours in special education and leadership instruction. Ms. Hampton serves as the Admissions and Release Committee (ARC) chairperson, the 504 chairperson, and the Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) chairperson for the district. Morehead State University is requesting that the EPSB accept Ms. Hampton's experience to allow her to be admitted to the preparation program.

Budget Impact: There is no budgetary impact.

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