

DATE:

10/23/2025

AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):

Consider/Approve the FY-2026 KETS (Kentucky Education Technology Systems) First Offer of Assistance and the required equal match of District Funds in the amount of \$149,416.00.

APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:

04.31 Authority to Encumber and Expend Funds

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to KRS 157.655-157.660 and 750 KAR 2:010, the School Facilities Construction Commission has made an official KY-2026 KETS Offer of Assistance. Acceptance of this Offer of Assistance commits the District to follow the statutes and regulations of the SFCC and the Kentucky Department of Education governing the Education Technology Funding Program. Based upon statewide ADA figures, the first Offer of Assistance in FY-2026 is in the amount of \$149,416.00. Acceptance of the state technology fund Offers of Assistance must be matched equally by the District or can be escrowed for up to (3) years.

FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Acceptance of the Offer of Assistance will be equally matched by the District in the amount of \$149,416.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval to accept the FY-2026 KETS (Kentucky Education Technology Systems) First Offer of Assistance and the required equal match of District Funds in the amount of \$149,416.00.

CONTACT PERSON:

Matthew Winkler, Director of Technology


Principal/Administrator


District Administrator


Superintendent

Use this form to submit your request to the Superintendent for items to be added to the Board Meeting Agenda. Principal –complete, print, sign and send to your Director. Director –if approved, sign and put in the Superintendent's mailbox.

Winkler, Matthew

From: KETS Offers of Assistance <kets-offers@education.ky.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 13, 2025 2:21 PM
To: Bentle, Susan
Cc: Winkler, Matthew; Rankin, Mary Ann - Office of Education Technology
Subject: FY2026 - Kenton County Schools - 1st Offer
Attachments: FY2026-Kenton County Schools - 1st Offer.docx

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External Message

Attached you will find the KETS 1st Offer of Assistance letter for your district. As advised during previous District Edtech Leader Webcasts, beginning with SY22, the KDE Office of Education Technology will now disseminate and collect KETS Offer of Assistance Program participation information and required documentation from districts rather than the School Facilities Construction Commission (SFCC). This information will then be shared by our Office with SFCC for purposes of continued program funding management & oversight activities. Please present the attached letter and First Offer Fund Utilization Form to your Superintendent and CFO for approval. The instructions for what must accompany the Fund Utilization Form is both on the form and in the letter to the Superintendent. Please remember that you have 60 days from the date of the letter to return the form and required documentation via email to KETS-Offers@education.ky.gov. If you have additional questions about the 1st Offer of Assistance, please contact your KETS Engineer.

Please review the recipients of this email to ensure that our contact information is correct. If corrections are needed, please send the updates to KETS-Offers@education.ky.gov.

Important note: Previewing of the attached letter may not show the offer amount. If this occurs, please download the letter to your desktop or other location and open the document from that location. This will allow you to view the letter as intended.

Office of Education Technology

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The Kentucky Department of Education would like your input on the agency's customer service efforts. Pleas



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Kristi Russell
Executive Director

10/13/2025

Henry Webb, Superintendent
Kenton County Schools
1055 Eaton Drive
Fort Wright, KY 41017

Dear Superintendent Henry Webb:

Pursuant to KRS 157.655-157.660 and 750 KAR 2:010, the School Facilities Construction Commission (SFCC) is hereby making an official FY2026 KETS offer of assistance to your Board of Education. Acceptance of this offer of assistance commits the Board of Education to follow the statutes and regulations of the SFCC and the Kentucky Department of Education governing the Education Technology Funding Program.

Based on the statewide ADA figures being used for 2024-2025 SEEK this year, your first offer of assistance in FY2026 is in the amount of \$149416. Accepted state technology fund offers of assistance **must be matched equally** by your Board of Education or can be escrowed for up to three (3) years.

Please note that the education technology funds restricted account has a new designation in the MUNIS chart of accounts: **Fund 2, Project 162M** EdTech account. In order for your district to receive funds, local funds should be transferred to that account.

In responding to this offer of assistance, please provide **via email at KETS-Offers@education.ky.gov** the following information:

1. Copy of a report from the MUNIS accounting system demonstrating evidence of a journal entry certifying local matching funds have been transferred to **Fund 2, Project 162M** EdTech account. The certification shall be the signature of the superintendent on the report
2. Excerpt of Board of Education meeting minutes (**accepting, escrowing, or rejecting** offer within **60 days** from the date of offer)
3. **Return the attached Fund Utilization Form Required with Journal Entry.**

As always, we look forward to working with you in the Education Technology program. We trust you will join us in continuing the success of this program in your district and in the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a whole. Your District Technology Leader has been provided additional information and they should work with their regional KETS Engineer concerning any questions related to the Education Technology program.

Sincerely,

Kristi Russell
Executive Director, SFCC

KENTUCKY EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY FUNDING PROGRAM

FUND UTILIZATION PLANNING FORM

DUE DATE: 60 days from receipt of Offers Notification

Name of District: Kenton County Schools

1st Offer of Assistance Amount: \$149416

Declaration of Intentions: *Check only one*

- ☒ The entire amount of the Offer of Assistance will be matched at the present time.
- ☐ The entire amount of the Offer of Assistance will be escrowed for up to:
choose only one:
- ☐ 1 year
- ☐ 2 years
- ☐ 3 years
- ☐ The entire amount of the Offer of Assistance is rejected.
- ☐ A portion of this Offer of Assistance is being matched at the present time in the amount of \$ _____
The remaining amount of \$ _____ will be escrowed for _____ years
(maximum of 3).
The remaining amount of \$ _____ will be rejected.

We agree to abide by the policies passed by the Kentucky Board of Education, School Facilities Construction Commission, and appropriate state regulations regarding the use of the funds.

Superintendent Signature

Date

Please be sure to include with this document:

1. Excerpt of Board of Education meeting minutes (accepting, escrowing, or rejecting offer).
2. Copy of Journal Ledger Proof from MUNIS accounting system demonstrating transfer of funds to **Fund 2, Project 162M**, if amount is being matched at the present time.

Return to:

Email: KETS-Offers@education.ky.gov (preferred method)

or

Mail: Kentucky Department of Education
300 Sower Blvd, 4th Fl, Frankfort, KY 40601
Attention: Caprice Robinson

KENTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION



JOURNAL INQUIRY

YEAR	PER	JOURNAL	SRC	EFF DATE	ENT DATE	JNL DESC	CLERK	ENTITY	AUTO-REV	STATUS	BUD YEAR	JNL TYPE
2026	04	308	GEN	10/23/2025	10/23/2025	KETS 1ST	9291sben	1	N	Hist	2026	N
LN	ORG	OBJECT	PROJ	REF1	REF2	REF3	LINE DESCRIPTION			DEBIT	CREDIT OB	
ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION												
1	220	5210	162M	BENTLE			KETS 1ST OFFER MATCH					149,416.00
							FUND TRANSFER					
2	20	6101		BENTLE			KETS 1ST OFFER MATCH			149,416.00		
							CASH IN BANK					
3	10	6101		BENTLE			KETS 1ST OFFER MATCH					149,416.00
							CASH IN BANK					
4	0001113	0910		BENTLE			KETS 1ST OFFER MATCH			149,416.00		
							FUND TRANSFERS OUT					
5	10	7602		BENTLE						149,416.00		C
							EXPENDITURES CONTROL					
6	20	6302		BENTLE								149,416.00 C
							REVENUES CONTROL					
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