

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Waiver:

16 KAR 2:020. Request to Waive Occupation-Based Career and Technical Education Degree Requirement for Nathan Hoskins

Action Question:

Should the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) approve the Office of Career and Technical Education's (OCTE) request to waive the degree requirement for Nathan Hoskins?

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 161.020, 161.028, 16 KAR 2:020

History/Background:

Existing Policy: 16 KAR 2:020 establishes the qualifications for certification of teachers of occupation-based career and technical education. Section 4 sets the requirements for issuance and renewals of professional certificates, which requires a recommendation from the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE). Specifically, the relevant language states that KDE "shall not recommend issuance of the professional certificate until the teacher candidate" has received "a minimum of an occupation-based degree or an approved occupation-based educator preparation degree" and "completes the professional learning through NTI sponsored by KDE."

Summary: OCTE has submitted this waiver on behalf of Nathan Hoskins, who has a one-year provisional certificate for teaching occupation-based aviation technology. The candidate holds current professional licenses as a Private Pilot, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Ground Instructor, Advanced Ground Instructor, and Instrument Ground Instructor and is almost finished with his commercial pilot license. The candidate has completed 95 credit hours in aviation and looked at completing the aviation degree but was unable due to credit expiration and program limitations. OCTE is requesting that the EPSB waive the requirement of an associate degree in the occupation-based content area for Mr. Hoskins and issue him a five (5) year professional certificate for teaching occupation-based aviation.

Budget Impact: There is no budgetary impact.

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