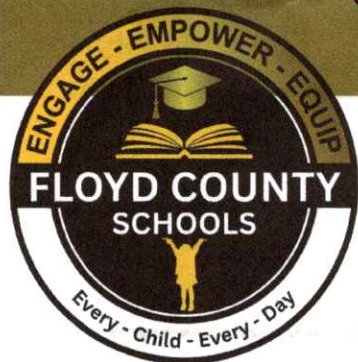




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Consent Agenda Item (Action Item): Approve the Agreement with PIMSER to provide OpenSciEd training to all middle and high school science teachers here in district.

Applicable State or Regulations: 01.11 General Powers and duties of the Board of Education

Fiscal/Budgetary Impact: The cost of the training will be provided from District Professional Development funding

History/Background: Traditionally Science has been an area of concern for the middle and high schools and an identified area we are seeking to improve. Kentucky Science Standards emphasize the three-dimensional nature of Science including the Science and Engineering Practices and Crosscutting Concepts. PIMSER (Partnership Institute for Math & Science Education Reform) was offering training for all middle and high school science teachers in the open source platform OpenSciEd. OpenSciEd is a Highly Qualified Open Source (Free) Platform that provides curriculum built for three-dimensional science learning. Rather than pay for our teachers to travel to Lexington for this training, it was determined it would be more cost-effective to bring the trainer to Floyd County to present the training. The training is entitled ***Getting Started with OpenSciEd for Middle and High School Teachers***. The training is scheduled on August 27 from 8:30-3:30 here at Central Office.

Recommended Action: Approve the agreement with the PIMSER organization to provide OpenSciEd training to all middle and high school teachers in the district.

Contact Person(s): Cassandra Akers, Kathy Shepherd

Principal

Director

Superintendent

Date: 7/16/2026

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GETTING STARTED WITH OpenSciEd[®]

Middle and High School



Join Us for Our Workshop

JUNE 18, 2026

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Sullivan University
Lexington, Kentucky

Why OpenSciEd?

Boost your students' test scores with OpenSciEd, the free, open-source curriculum built for three-dimensional science learning.

Skip the stress of lesson planning and access expert-crafted, phenomena-driven resources for middle and high school, including teacher guides, slides, and integrated ELA/Math connections.

Join us to discover how these highly acclaimed, ready-to-use tools align your instruction with state assessments and foster the critical thinking skills your students need to succeed!

Introduction to OpenSciEd Curriculum:

Understand the core principles and components of OpenSciEd, high-quality, open-source science unit that promote critical thinking, student engagement, and inquiry-based learning.

Curriculum Alignment:

Explore how OpenSciEd is structured to provide a coherent and consistent learning experience for students across multiple years, ensuring a seamless transition from grade to grade and course to course as students progress through middle and high school science. Learn about resources available to support implementation at the local level. Materials kits are available from different vendors.

Benefits for State Assessment:

The units promote the critical thinking necessary to improve student performance on state assessments and meet dimensions outlined in district developed Portrait of a Learner. This is done by fostering a deeper understanding of scientific concepts and developing critical thinking skills of all students through engaging learning experiences.

PIMSER

County/District: Floyd County Schools

School: TBD

District Contact: Cassandra Akers

Contact Email: cassandra.akers@floyd.kyschools.us

Mailing Address: 442 KY Route 550

City, State, Zip: Eastern, KY 41622

Phone: 606.886.2354

Billing Schedule: Billed upon completion

Contracted Facilitator: Stephanie Harmon

Service Date(s): August 2026

Description of Training: 1-day HQIR support

Estimated # of Participants: TBD

General Terms and Conditions

1. Facilitation Fees

A professional fee for the contracted Facilitator, including the planning and facilitation of the program(s), will be invoiced according to the Billing Schedule for the work described above. This fee will be billed according to the following structure:

\$1,250.00 per facilitator per day (6+ hours), 1-day.

Estimated Total: \$1250

2. Facilitator Expenses

The following expenses incurred by the contracted Facilitator for the work described above will be invoiced according to the Billing Schedule per the noted specifications:

- a. **Mileage:** \$0.46/mile (or current KY state employee reimbursement rate at time of travel)

Estimated Mileage: 270

Estimated Total: \$124.20

- b. **Lodging:** Whenever possible, the district/school should arrange lodging and payment for the contracted Facilitator. If arrangements are made by PIMSER, costs will be paid by PIMSER and therefore will not be included in the contract.

Lodging Required: Yes

Arrangements Made By: PIMSER

Estimated Total = \$140

- c. **Meals:** The district/school will be responsible for payment of subsistence per diem based on the location where the Contracted Facilitator spends the night (if applicable). If meals are provided by the district/school during training hours, no reimbursement is necessary for those meals. Breakfast-\$8.00; Lunch-\$10.00; Dinner-\$18.00 (or current KY state employee per diem rates at time of travel).

Estimated Total = \$36

- d. **Materials and Supplies:** N/A

Estimated Total Cost = \$1,550.20

3. Project Expenses

The district/school will be responsible for reimbursing PIMSER for required miscellaneous materials purchased, postage, shipping, and/or photocopying at the rate of \$.15/page. Any items will be included on the district/school invoice.

4. Billing

Facilitation Fees, Facilitator Expenses, and Project Expenses will be billed to the district/school according to the Billing Schedule. Payment will be due within 30 days of receipt of the invoice.

Contract Number: 20412

Other Terms:

- The contracted Facilitator acknowledges that it is acting as an Independent Contractor and is not an employee of the Partnership Institute for Math & Science Education Reform (PIMSER).
 - The contracted Facilitator will apply his/her professional expertise to this assignment and will not work under immediate and direct supervision.
 - The district/school will reserve facilities for this assignment. If the contracted Facilitator requires additional equipment or materials for the assignment, he/she shall advise PIMSER and/or the school district.
 - The products and results of the services rendered by the contracted Facilitator are work made for hire. The contracted Facilitator acknowledges and agrees that all rights including, without limitation, copyright to materials produced by him/her in order to provide the program belongs to and shall be the sole and exclusive property of PIMSER. For any such work delivered by the contracted Facilitator that is not considered a work made for hire under applicable law, title and copyright ownership shall be assigned to PIMSER.
 - PIMSER is not under any obligation to employ the contracted Facilitator beyond the period of this agreement.
 - This agreement may be revised or modified during the period of the agreement only with the prior consent in writing of both parties.
 - This agreement may be canceled by either party upon five (5) days written notice. Should the agreement be canceled prior to completion, the district/school will be responsible for payment of rendered services.
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I understand and agree to comply with the conditions described in this agreement for professional services:

District Representative Name

Signature

Date

PIMSER Representative Name

Signature

Date



District Training Contract
Agreement for Professional Services

A signed copy of this contract will be sent to:

Melissa Biggerstaff

Melissa.biggerstaff@pimser.org

A copy of this contract will be sent to the email address indicated on the first page.