

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (KDE) STAFF NOTE

Topic: Amendments to 780 KAR 2:040, Live work projects

Date: October 2026

Action Requested: ☐Review ☒Action/Consent ☐Action/Discussion

Held In: ☒Full Board ☐State Schools ☐United We Learn

SYNOPSIS OF WHAT YOU WILL BE SHARING:

Proposed amendments to 780 KAR 2:040 Live work projects, for Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) action.

COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Commissioner recommends approval of the amendments to 780 KAR 2:040, Live work projects.

APPLICABLE STATUTE OR REGULATION:

KRS 156.802, KRS 156.852

BACKGROUND:

Existing Policy:

KRS 156.802(3) authorizes the Kentucky Department of Education to have responsibility for all administrative functions of the state in relation to the management, control, and operation of state-operated secondary area vocational education and technology centers. KRS 156.852 authorizes the Kentucky Board of Education to promulgate administrative regulations to implement career and technical education in Kentucky. This administrative regulation establishes the procedures for accepting live work projects in a Kentucky TECH facility.

Summary of Issue:

Kentucky Tech schools that accept live work are required to document all services using the Work Order – Agreement form incorporated by reference in this administrative regulation. The proposed amendment updates the form to clarify customer agreement requirements and the student fee exemption. In addition, technical revisions are proposed for clarity and consistency throughout the regulation.

Budget Impact:

The proposed amendments to 780 KAR 2:040 have no fiscal impact on state funds.

Groups Consulted and a Brief Summary of Responses:

KDE's Office of Career and Technical Education leadership and Office of Legal Services for review and approval of proposed amendments.

The proposed amendments will also be reviewed by the Local Superintendents Advisory Council (LSAC) at its September 2026 meeting.

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GOALS/PRIORITIES: Indicate all applicable options.

☐	Foster Educational Innovation Through Vibrant Learning Experiences
☐	Advance Educational Excellence Through Continuous Professional Improvement
☐	Cultivate Collaborative Partnerships
☒	Legislation
☐	Commissioner's Management