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# Teacher Advisory Council (TAC)

March 18, 2026

Justin Edwards, TAC Liaison, Office of  
Educator Licensure and Effectiveness

# TAC WEB PAGE LINK

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# I. Welcome

- **Meredith Brewer**, Associate Commissioner, Office of Educator Licensure and Effectiveness

## II. Roll Call of Members

- **Megan Hall**, TAC Chairperson, Rosa Parks Elementary, Fayette County

Name	Represents	Term Expiring
Megan Hall, chair	Fayette County	September 2027
Amber Hinkle	Bell County	March 2029
Kevin Dailey	Boone County	March 2027
Scot Bratcher	Breckinridge County	September 2027
Amy Leasgang	Bullitt County	March 2029
Brooke Leffingwell	Campbell County	September 2027
Jessica Hobson	Christian County	September 2027
Mandy Perez	Crittenden County	September 2026
Kristen Morgan	Danville Independent	September 2027
Sarah Lizer	Fayette County	September 2027
Wendy Young	Fayette County	September 2027
Emmanuel Anama-Green	Harlan County	September 2027

Name	Represents	Term Expiring
Tyler Saylor	Harlan Independent	March 2029
Joseph Stivers	Jefferson County	September 2027
Robyn Ballinger	Jefferson County	March 2029
Becky Spies	Kentucky School for the Blind	September 2027
Toni Prater	Kentucky School for the Deaf	December 2027
Corey Burns	Mercer County	September 2027
Nick Shoffner	Middlesboro Independent	September 2027
Jason Davidson	Russell County	March 2029
Casey Page	Shelby County	September 2027
Shane Baker	Warren County	September 2027

# III. Approve Agenda

- **Megan Hall**, TAC Chairperson, Rosa Parks Elementary, Fayette County

# IV. Approve Minutes from Last Meeting

- **Megan Hall**, TAC Chairperson, Rosa Parks Elementary, Fayette County
  - [Access the December summary](#)

# V. New Member Introductions

- Unmute and tell us:
  - Your name
  - Where you teach
  - What you teach
  - How long you've taught
  - Why you stay in teaching

# VI. Accountability Framework Update

- **Jennifer Stafford**, Associate Commissioner, Office of Assessment and Accountability
- **Shara Savage**, Division Director, Office of Assessment and Accountability

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# Accountability and Assessment Updates

Jennifer Stafford, Ed.D., Associate Commissioner

Shara Savage, Director

Office of Assessment and Accountability

Division of Assessment and Accountability Support



# Accountability Update

- [House Bill \(HB\) 257](#), a bill to reimagine Kentucky's state assessment and accountability systems.

# Assessment Updates

- ACCESS
- Alternate Kentucky Summative Assessment (AKSA)
- Kentucky Summative Assessment (KSA)
- K Screen

# SAT State Administration – Training Recap

## Test Administration Trainings

- The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and College Board offered eight trainings at the educational cooperatives in November 2025.
- A total of 487 educators attended from across the state.

## Office Hours

- To date, KDE and College Board have held four Office Hours,
  - October - School Setup
  - December - Requesting accommodations and English Learner supports
  - January and February - Accessing the State Data Management System and Test Day Toolkit
- Over 325 educators participated.

## Accommodations Webinar

- The accommodations training webinar on Nov. 12 hosted by College Board had 480 in attendance.

## February DAC Training and Question and Answer Sessions

- A recorded training was released on Scores and Reporting.
- College Board staff were available at the Q&A Sessions.

# SAT State Administration – Systems Open Now

- State Data Management System (SDMS) is open.
  - Testing staff are currently verifying student rosters, ensuring students with special needs have the appropriate accommodations for the SAT and completing between district transfers of students as needed.
- Test Day Toolkit (TDTK) is open as well.
  - This system allows coordinators to set up their testing staff and manage test sessions.
  - Staff can print access tickets from TDTK for students to be able to utilize the seven practice tests that are available to them.
  - Those tickets will also allow students to complete the readiness check one to two weeks prior to testing to ensure that their device is ready.

# SAT State Administration – SAT Practice Tools and Resources

- College Board offers many free, engaging [SAT practice resources](#) to help students prepare.
  - Digital Practice Tests Question Banks
  - Questions of the Day
  - Official SAT Prep on Khan Academy
- College Board has partnered with [Schoolhouse.world](#) has launched Official SAT Tutoring – a new, free peer-to-peer tutoring option.

# SAT State Administration – Upcoming

- KDE’s Office of Assessment and Accountability (OAA) and College Board will host Office Hours in March and April that will discuss timely topics for the state administration, as well as provide time for testing staff to ask questions.
- OAA and College Board will also host a webinar to discuss SAT scores and information reporting to students and educators.

# VII. Q & A with Division of School and Community Nutrition

- Lauren Moore, Division Director, Office of Finance and Operations

# VIII. Strategic Dashboard

- **Karen Dodd**, Chief Performance Officer, Office of the Commissioner of Education
- **Susan Strange**, Strategic Program Manager, Office of the Commissioner of Education

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# Kentucky Department of Education Strategic Dashboard

Susan Strange, Strategic Plan Program Manager,  
Office of the Commissioner



# Strategic Plan Webpage

- [KDE Strategic Plan Webpage](#)

# Feedback

- Could you see yourself using this?
- What other information would draw you to the dashboard?
- Would you like to see a district spotlight?
  - If so, what would be of interest to you?
    - Video, article, data, etc.

# IX. 2026-2027 KBE student and teacher non-voting member applications

- GlyptusAnn Grider Jones, Director of Education Policy, Office of the Commissioner

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# Kentucky Board of Education (KBE) Non-voting Teacher Member Applications and Selection

GlyptusAnn Grider Jones, Ph.D.

Director of Education Policy,  
Kentucky Department of Education



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# 2026-2027 KBE Non-voting Teacher Member

## Eligible Teachers

- Must reside in Kentucky's 4th Congressional District
  - Boone, Bracken, Campbell, Carroll, Carter (partial), Gallatin, Grant, Greenup, Harrison, Henry, Kenton, Lewis, Mason, Nelson (partial), Oldham, Owen, Pendleton, Robertson, Shelby, Spencer and Trimble.
- Must be employed on a full-time basis by a Kentucky public school district in a position for which Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) certification is required
- Must not be employed in an administrative role

*\*Membership rotates among the state's congressional districts in numerical order.*

# What Teachers Gain from Board Membership



- Incredible experience and insight into educational policy in Kentucky.
- Familiarity with state laws, policies and administrative regulations as they relate to education.
- Knowledge about education issues as they relate to Kentucky and the nation.
- The ability to make a difference in Kentucky's educational policies.



# Teacher Member Expectations



- Be prepared by reviewing the materials for every board meeting;
- Attend every meeting;
- Participate and engage in discussions;
- Promote interest in and support for education in Kentucky;
- Be courteous and respectful of public suggestions and complaints and refer them to appropriate parties;
- Work harmoniously with other board members and agencies of the Commonwealth;
- Become familiar with state laws, policies and administrative regulations as they relate to education;
- Accept the will of the majority vote in all cases and give support to the resulting policy; and
- Comply with the KBE Policy Manual and all applicable laws governing the service of a KBE member.

# Application and Selection Process

- [2026-2027 KBE Non-voting Teacher applications](#) are due by 5 p.m. ET on Tuesday, March 31.
- Additional information is available on the [KBE Non-voting teacher member webpage](#).
- [701 KAR 5:160](#) outlines the process for selection and appointment of the KBE non-voting student and teacher members.



# Commissioner's Teacher Advisory Council (TAC) Special Committee

- TAC Special Committee members will:
  - Independently review applications for the non-voting teacher position using the provided rubric.
  - Attend one virtual meeting to discuss scoring and identify three finalists to send to the KBE for consideration.
- If interested in serving on this committee, please contact [Justin Edwards](#).



# Questions?

- Contact KDE Director of Education Policy [GlyptusAnn Grider Jones](#) with questions.

# X. Legislative Update

- **Meredith Brewer**, Associate Commissioner, Office of Educator Licensure and Effectiveness

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# 2026 General Assembly Update

Brian Perry, Ph.D.

Director of Government Relations

# 2026 Regular Session Schedule

- Concurrence days – March 31 and April 1
- Veto days – April 2 – 13
- Sine Die – April 15
  
- Session calendar:
  - [2026 Legislative Calendar](#)

# 2026 Committee Schedule

- **HOUSE**

- Primary & Secondary Education -Wednesday, 8 a.m.
- BR Sub Primary and Secondary Education/Workforce Development – Tuesday, 10 a.m.
- A&R – Tuesday, 12 p.m.
- Families and Children - Thursday, 9 a.m.
- State Government – Thursday, Noon

- **SENATE**

- Education - Thursday, 10 a.m.
- A&R – Wednesday, 9 a.m.
- State and Local Government – Wednesday, 11 a.m.
- Families and Children - Tuesday, 8 a.m.

- **Committee Schedule**

- [2026 Regular Session Standing Committee Schedule](#)

# How to Follow Along

- How to watch committee meetings
  - [KET Legislature Site](#)
  - [LRC YouTube site](#)
  - [Kentuck General Assembly Legislative Record site](#)

# KBE/KDE Priorities

- [HB 257](#) (Payne) - proposed changes to the assessment and accountability system
- [Senate Bill \(SB\) 22](#) (Higdon) – expanded dual credit for registered teacher apprenticeship programs
- [SB 121](#) (Williams) Clean-up items
  - Replace Kentucky Educator Placement Service System with statewide job portal using existing funds from certification fees
  - [SB 207](#) – extend time for KBE to review waiver requests, allow the Commissioner to approve class size waiver requests for special education, & remove the automatic expiration of waivers related to district facility projects
  - Repeal [KRS 156.690](#) (Teachers' computer purchase program)
  - Repeal statutory language concerning the Council for Education Technology (CET) which has not been needed nor met in over 33 years
  - Clarify ownership/authority regarding the FFA Leadership Training Center
- [HB 727](#) (Riley)
  - Replace KEPS with statewide job portal using existing funds from certification fees
- SB 181 (2025) clean-up
  - [SB 181 \(2026\)](#)
  - [HB 67](#) (Payne)
- [HB 759](#) - modify and reestablish alternative teacher certification options as alternative routes

# Senate Bills

- [SB 1](#) (Givens) changes to JCPS board/superintendent roles and responsibilities.
- [SB 2](#) (Adams) limit superintendent/administrator percentage pay increase greater than the average percentage pay increase provided to classroom teachers within the district.
- [SB 3](#) (Tichenor) financial responsibility and transparency
- [SB 4](#) (West) five-year principal training and mentoring program
- [SB 5](#) (Howell) aims to get more local/Kentucky Proud food in schools
- [SB 6](#) (Stivers) appropriate \$150,000,000 to the endowed research fund

# Senate Bills (cont.)

- [SB 41](#) (Bosell) relating to the levy of an ad valorem tax rate
- [SB 46](#) (Deneen) relating to school transportation and declaring an emergency
- [SB 71](#) (Deneen) financial training requirements for local boards of education
- [SB 101](#) (Nunn) student discipline
- [SB 124](#) (Nunn) sick leave for school district personnel
- [SB 152](#) (Reed) define "school-based policy"; transfer duties of school-based decision-making councils to advisory councils and principals
- [SB 263](#) (West) schools of innovation and innovation fund

# House Bills

- [HB 1](#) (Moser) the qualified elementary and secondary education scholarship federal tax credit
- [HB 4](#) (Proctor) anti-grooming
- [HB 7](#) (Hale) stop arm cameras for school buses
- [HB 253](#) (Tipton) three-cueing prohibition
- [HB 307](#) (Tipton) proactive postsecondary admission
- [HB 415](#) (Clines) HB300 clean-up

# House Bills (cont.)

- [HB 416](#) (Clines) formative and content assessments
- [HB 500](#) (Petrie) budget bill
- [HB 555](#) (Pollack) permit student-based enterprises within their district to sell competitive foods throughout the school day
- [HB 562](#) (Truett) alternative high school diplomas
- [HB 631](#) (Dossett) Provide 10 additional disaster relief student attendance days to provide instruction using alternate settings
- [HB 635](#) (Truett) school calendar
- [HB 757](#) (Petrie) revenue bill

# KDE Legislative Guidance

- [KDE Legislative Guidance page](#)
- Depending on bills, may post guidance for bills with emergency clauses first

# Questions

- Brian Perry, Ph.D., Director of Government Relations, Office of the Commissioner
- [brian.perry@education.ky.gov](mailto:brian.perry@education.ky.gov)

# XI. Adjournment

- **Megan Hall**, TAC Chairperson, Rosa Parks Elementary, Fayette County
  
- Future Meeting:
  - June 17, 2026