

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARDS  
PAST WINNERS**

**KELLY AWARD FOR BUSINESS AND EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP  
(FORMERLY JOE KELLY AWARD)**

2020- Kevin Nolan  
2019- Tammy Brock  
2018- Robbie Rudolph  
2017- C. Ed Massey  
2016- Audwin Helton and Brent Cooper  
2015- Bob Hutchison and Mark Johnson  
2014- Darrell Higginbotham and Mark Shirkness  
2013- Jim Allen  
2011- Henry Hunt  
2010- Helen Carroll  
2009- Robert Hudson  
2008- Al Rider  
2007- Ben Cundiff  
2006- Henry Vogt Heuser, Jr.  
2005- Wynn Radford  
2004- Ann Yager Hamlin  
2003- Jimmy Higdon  
2002- Frank and Mattie Justice  
2001- Billy Harper  
2000- Vince and Valerie Tanner

**ROBINSON AWARD FOR DIVERSITY AND EQUITY IN PUBLIC  
EDUCATION (FORMERLY SAM ROBINSON AWARD)**

2019- Dr. Chandra Varia  
2018- Black Males Working  
2015- Playhouse in the Park (Murray) and PIMSER (Partnership Institute for Math and Science Education Reform)  
2014- Cindy Heine and Dr. Henry Webb  
2013- Fayette County Equity Council and Dr. Ronnie Nolan  
2012- Dr. Gregory Ross and Kern Alexander  
2011- Robert Sexton (posthumously)  
2010- Helen Mountjoy  
2009- Diann Cook and Faun Fishback (Arriba Ninos Program) and First Baptist Church of Bracktown (Mrs. Atkins)  
2008- Laura McGrail  
2007- Kathy Reed  
2006- Marlene Helm and Frank Rasche  
2005- Robert Smotherman

2004- Senator Gerald Neal and One Community, One Voice Achievement and Closing the Gap Community Committee of Fayette County

**GRISSOM AWARD FOR INNOVATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION  
(FORMERLY JOHNNIE GRISSOM AWARD)**

2020- Mark Meade  
2019- Sandy Smock  
2018- Dr. Soraya Matthews  
2015- Roger Cook  
2014- Dr. Dewey Hensley and Franklin-Simpson High School (Tim Schlosser and Student Support Team)  
2012- Elaine Farris  
2011- Kathleen Reutman Bryant  
2010- Larue County Schools

**KAREM AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION POLICY (FORMERLY DAVID KAREM AWARD)**

2018- Dr. Jason Reeve  
2017- C. Ed. Massey

**KBE KEVIN C. BROWN STRATEGIC PRIORITY AWARD (FORMERLY KBE PRIORITY AWARD)**

2020- Soup for the Soul – Significant contributions during COVID-19 pandemic  
2019- Jeanne Crowe – Closing the Achievement Gap

**KDE KEVIN NOLAND/MARY ANN MILLER AWARD (FORMERLY KEVIN NOLAND AWARD)**

2020- Gretta Hylton  
2019- Kylie Whitaker  
2018- Amanda Ellis  
2017- Jonathan Bogar  
2016- Laura Arnold  
2014- Mary Ann Miller  
2012- Lisa Gross  
2010- Sally Sugg  
2009- Linda Holbrook