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WELCOME AMANDA HALE!

Amanda Hale joined the Policy staff on February 6 as a policy consultant/eMeeting trainer. She holds degrees in political science and public administration from the University of Kentucky and has worked in higher education and local government. She and her husband, Jon, reside in Georgetown. Welcome Amanda!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW SUBSCRIBERS!

Administrative Procedures – Walton-Verona Independent Board of Education

Employee Handbook – Christian County and Madison County Boards of Education

Coaches' Handbook – Christian County and Fleming County Boards of Education

Substitute Teacher Handbook – Christian County Board of Education

eMeeting – Ohio County, Hickman County, Bullitt County (100th school district subscriber), and Fleming County Boards of Education

SPRING HAS SPRUNG

What does that mean for your district? The Annual Policy Update will be arriving by the end of May. You may want to review any outstanding draft policies or procedures,

particularly any older outstanding drafts. The annual update process is often made smoother if outstanding drafts have been acted on, reviewed or deleted if no longer under consideration.

Policy Reference 01.5

KINDERGARTEN ENTRANCE AGE

The 2012 General Assembly amended KRS 158.030 to change the school entry age deadline for 5- and 6-year old students from October 1 to August 1 effective with the 2017-2018 school year. Board Policy 09.121 provides for an evaluation process for parents/guardians wishing to petition the Board to allow their child to enter school early. Districts interested in adding early enrollment petition forms may contact their assigned consultant for samples.

Policy Reference 09.121

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

The U.S. Department of Education's Privacy Technical Assistance Center has put out a Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) orientation brochure for volunteers, with space to customize per individual state law. This document may be used to provide training for volunteers as required by policy: <http://ptac.ed.gov/school-volunteer-brochure>. It might also serve as an additional customizable resource as part of the training for non-faculty coaches and assistants required under KRS 161.185(3).

Policy References 03.1161/03.2241/03.6/09.14

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IMPORTANT DEADLINES FOR SCHOOL BOARDS AND DISTRICTS

Please check our website for important deadlines for school boards and districts at: <http://www.ksba.org/dates.aspx>. Please note that another link to a more extensive set of administrative deadlines prepared for Superintendents may be found via this link.

MILEAGE RATE UPDATE

If your district reimburses for mileage at the state rate, be advised that the rate per mile effective April 1 through June 30, 2017, is forty cents (40¢) per mile. This information can be reviewed quarterly via this link:

<http://finance.ky.gov/services/statewideacct/Pages/travel.aspx>

Policy References 03.125/03.225

SAVE THE DATE – UPCOMING KSBA CONFERENCES:

May 9-10, 2017

School Energy Summit (Holiday Inn Louisville East)

June 8-9, 2017

11th Annual Federal & State Law Update (Marriott Griffin Gate, Lexington)

July 7, 2017

KOSAA Summer Meeting (Marriott Griffin Gate, Lexington)

July 7-8, 2017

Summer Leadership Institute (Marriott Griffin Gate, Lexington)



HAPPY SPRING!

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