



Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education

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Mr. John Hicks
Executive Cabinet Secretary and State Budget Director
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RE: Distribution of 2026-27 Postsecondary Education Performance Fund

Dear Secretary Hicks:

As you know, the *2026-2028 Budget of the Commonwealth* (26 RS, HB 500) appropriated \$115.0 million to the Postsecondary Education Performance Fund in fiscal year 2026-27. These funds are to be distributed according to the provisions of KRS 164.092, which directs the Council on Postsecondary Education to run the funding models and submit to your office a distribution of funds for the public universities and KCTCS institutions. CPE staff ran the university funding model and KCTCS staff ran the two-year college model and resulting distributions from the Performance Fund for fiscal year 2026-27 are presented below.

Public Universities and KCTCS:

University of Kentucky	\$44,264,500
University of Louisville	20,749,300
Eastern Kentucky University	5,326,400
Kentucky State University	0
Morehead State University	0
Murray State University	4,808,400
Northern Kentucky University	10,161,400
Western Kentucky University	4,392,900
KCTCS	<u>25,297,100</u>
Total	\$115,000,000

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KCTCS Institutions (Detail):

Ashland	\$ 662,600
Big Sandy	0
Bluegrass	4,755,500
Elizabethtown	2,814,900
Gateway	2,228,400
Hazard	0
Henderson	0
Hopkinsville	1,050,400
Jefferson	3,427,600
Madisonville	935,600
Maysville	1,888,900
Owensboro	2,234,200
Somerset	2,900,500
Southcentral	2,398,500
Southeast	0
West Kentucky	<u>0</u>
KCTCS Subtotal	\$25,297,100

Spreadsheets containing performance metric data and calculations used to determine the distribution of funds among universities and KCTCS institutions are attached. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me at (502) 892-3001 or Bill Payne at (502) 892-3052.

Sincerely,



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