

TITLE: Commonwealth Education Continuum Update

DESCRIPTION: The Academic and Strategic Initiatives Committee received an update on the work and initiatives of the Commonwealth Education Continuum.

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COMMITTEE'S REVIEW

The Academic and Strategic Initiatives Committee received this information update at their April 14, 2025, meeting. It will not be covered or presented in detail at the board meeting; however, staff will be available for questions.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Commonwealth Education Continuum (CEC), a P-20 council, exists to strengthen Kentucky's education pipeline. Its work addresses the moral imperative for all students to have access and opportunity to earn degrees and credentials that lead to sustainable, competitive-wage careers. This collaborative effort will help Kentucky meet its 60x30 educational attainment goal.

Established in 2021, the Continuum is co-chaired by Kentucky Lt. Governor Jacqueline Coleman, Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE) President Dr. Aaron Thompson and Dr. Robbie Fletcher, Kentucky Commissioner of Education. It consists of members whose expertise ranges from early childhood to the workforce.

Over the last four years, the CEC has continued to seek stakeholder input and use data to address barriers and identify ways to increase transitions to postsecondary education.

Attachment: Slides shared during the April 14, 2025, meeting.