

## CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES Department for Community Based Services Division of Protection and Permanency

Dear Director of Pupil Personnel,

I am requesting your assistance regarding extended subsidy benefits for adopted youth. After review and consultation, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (Cabinet/CHFS) provides extended subsidy benefits to youth who attend a public school, a private school, or a home school setting. This is a change in practice for home-schooled students and a new verification form has been developed for these situations. As you may recall, school districts already verify enrollment for youth attending public school.

The attached form should be completed for youth who are home-schooled or attend a private school. There has been some confusion from schools regarding the top portion of the form. We want to assure you that the Cabinet is not asking for confirmation for anything beyond that an enrollment report has been received for the student attending a homeschool or private school during the current academic year according to the requirements of KRS 159.160. We want to assure you that CHFS is NOT asking you to certify the integrity of the education provided in homeschools or anything beyond enrollment confirmation.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions, you may contact me at <u>veronicaj.sears@ky.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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