

Dear Breckinridge County Learning Community,

Kentucky Senate Bill 128 has been approved by both chambers of the Kentucky General Assembly and signed into law by Governor Andy Beshear. This bill, also referred to as KY SB 128 and known by some as the “redshirt” or the “do-over” bill, allows K-12 students currently enrolled in public or non-public schools to request to use the 2021-2022 school year as a supplemental year. The bill does not allow for students to take new courses with the exception of career and technical classes.

Our school district wants to take this opportunity to share some of the facts related to this bill so you can make an informed decision about whether you would choose to have your child request to use the retake year. These requests must be submitted to our District Office by Friday, April 30, 2021.

Our school district will make a decision at the May 12, 2021, School Board meeting on whether to approve all or none of the SB 128 requests. School districts are not allowed to approve requests on an individual basis. The decision will not have any impact on basic retention of students that happens on a given year.

Here is a list of benefits and concerns to consider surrounding the SB 128 decision for your child:

Benefits	Concerns
Students may retake classes from the prior year. *Note: A senior who has the required credits to graduate will still graduate but is eligible for the retake year.	Students will be returning to school with a new class of students as the vast majority of students in their grade will be promoted. Students will not be allowed to take new courses. Graduates who receive a diploma will have no academic benefit to return at least in terms of grade point average (GPA), reconsideration for academic scholarships, etc. The transcript will reflect the retake but only for informational purposes. For underclassmen, students can only retake courses from the 2020-21 school year.

Students may participate in extracurricular activities as long as they meet KHSAA age and other eligibility requirements.	If a high school student turns 19 before August 1, 2021, he/she will be ineligible for KHSAA athletics during the 2021-22 school year. If a middle school student turns 15 before August 1, 2021, he/she will be ineligible for middle school sports during the 2021-22 school year. In addition, any 7th or 8th grade student who chooses this option will not be eligible for KHSAA High School athletics.
Students may be able to complete career and technical certifications which they were unable to complete during the 2020-21 school year. (examples include welding and nursing)	The number and types of requests would need to be assessed by the district in terms of resources, staffing, and facility/space availability. Graduates will not qualify for dual credit scholarships and will be required to pay full price for any dual credit class that is taken.

In order for the school district to address student needs in the areas of staffing, scheduling, and curriculum, we need to know which students are considering this option. Please complete the form and return to the Breckinridge County Board of Education, located at 86 Airport Road, Hardinsburg, Kentucky. All forms must be received no later than Friday, April 30, 2021. If you have any questions, please call 270-756-3000 or email me at nick.carter@breck.kyschools.us.

Sincerely,



Nick Carter, Ed.D
Superintendent
Breckinridge County Schools



SB 128 REQUEST FORM

_____ Yes, I would like my child(ren) to participate in the retake school year. I understand that my child will have to meet with school district officials to plan accordingly for the retake year. All classes must be taken in-person. No virtual classes will be allowed during the retake year.

Student Name and Current Grade Level for 2020-2021 School Year

1. _____, Grade Level _____

2. _____, Grade Level _____

3. _____, Grade Level _____

4. _____, Grade Level _____

5. _____, Grade Level _____

Parent(s) Name(s): _____

Parent Signature: _____

Parent Signature (if applicable): _____

*We need both parents' signatures for consideration of approval.

Student Signature: _____

Phone Number: _____