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AN ACT relating to education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

→ Section 1. KRS 158.645 is amended to read as follows:

The General Assembly recognizes that public education involves shared responsibilities. State government, local communities, parents, students, and school employees must work together to create an efficient public school system. Parents and students must assist schools with efforts to assure student attendance, preparation for school, and involvement in learning. The cooperation of all involved is necessary to assure that desired outcomes are achieved. It is the intent of the General Assembly to create a system of public education which shall allow and assist all students to acquire the following capacities:

- (1) Communication skills necessary to function in a complex and changing civilization;
- (2) Knowledge to make economic, social, and political choices;
- (3) Core values and qualities of good character to make moral and ethical decisions throughout his or her life;
- (4) Understanding of governmental processes as they affect the community, the state, and the nation;
- (5) Sufficient self-knowledge and knowledge of his <u>or her</u> mental and physical wellness;
- (6) Sufficient grounding in the arts to enable each student to appreciate his or her cultural and historical heritage;
- (7) Sufficient preparation to choose and pursue his *or her* life's work intelligently; and
- (8) Skills to enable him <u>or her</u> to compete favorably with students in other states.