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## EDUCATORS EARN CASH WHEN THEY TELL KENTUCKY

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – Another Kentucky school and educator have earned cash prizes for their participation in the [Teaching, Empowering, Leading and Learning](#) (TELL) Kentucky survey.

Kentucky Education Commissioner Terry Holliday and [Kentucky Education Association](#) (KEA) President Sharron Oxendine, joined together yesterday to randomly draw winners for Week 2 of the survey.

The winners are:

- **Week 2 School:** Ludlow High School
- **Week 2 Educator:** Ryan Davis, Union County Learning Academy

Ludlow High School will receive \$1,000 for the school's use. At Union County Learning Academy, educator Ryan Davis will receive \$1,000 to use as he wishes.

As of 9 a.m. on March 21, the statewide response rate was 67 percent with nearly 34,000 Kentucky educators completing the teaching conditions survey. To encourage greater participation, the Kentucky Education Association, Kentucky Association of School Administrators, Kentucky Association of School Superintendents and the Kentucky School Boards Association contributed prize money for weekly drawings throughout the survey.

Drawings were held last week for Week 1 winners:

- **Week 1 School:** Frankfort High School (Frankfort Independent)
- **Week 1 Educator:** Sabrina Turner, Breathitt Co. Day Treatment Center

Every school that reaches a 50 percent response rate is entered into a drawing for a \$1,000 cash award for the school. Schools that reach 100 percent response rates are entered into a drawing for a \$1,000 cash award to go to an individual educator.

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The TELL Kentucky Survey provides an opportunity to anonymously gather information about school working conditions from those who know best -- practicing educators.

Through March 29, the TELL survey will be open to all school-based Kentucky certified educators employed in the state's 174 school districts. The purpose of the survey is to document and analyze how teachers and other educators view their teaching and learning conditions, so that educators, stakeholders and policymakers can make evidence-based decisions on policies and practices that will improve student achievement and teacher retention.

School and district completion rates are posted in real time on the TELL Kentucky website at [www.tellkentucky.org](http://www.tellkentucky.org).

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