

## ***Guidelines for Communication on SB 97 Raising the Compulsory Attendance Age***

With the passage of SB 97 and most districts having an effective date with the start of the 2015-16 school year, we anticipate district will begin communication throughout the summer with students who have dropped out and will not yet reach the age of 18 by the start of the new school year.

Schools should consider several factors when developing this communication. Kentucky has 173 school districts and each is unique with the opportunities and supports they provide for the re-engagement of students who have dropped out.

Some guidelines for communication:

- Reference to SB 97 – [Link to KDE Compulsory Attendance Page](#) with FAQ on SB 97
- Resources available within your district or specific schools for re-engagement
- Options for educational alternatives for students:
  - Alternative Programs or schedules
  - Virtual programs or courses
  - Credit Recovery programs
  - CTE, ATC, and dual-enrollment options or programs
- Contact information and process for student to return to school.