

**Kentucky Board of Education**  
**701 KAR 8:040**  
**Public Charter School Conversion Petition**

**Petition to Convert:** This petition seeks to convert the existing public school, \_\_\_\_\_, to a charter school.

**Current School Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reasons for Conversion:** The reasons the petitioner believes the existing public school should be converted to a charter school, including descriptions of how the conversion public charter school shall accomplish the purposes of KRS 160.1591(2), are as follows:

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**Complaint Process:** Any person who has reason to believe that the petition process was not conducted pursuant to the requirements of this administrative regulation or that the signatures on the petition were procured through fraud, intimidation, bribery, or harassment, may file a written complaint with the commissioner of education and the commissioner of education shall:

- (a) Cause an investigation to determine the validity of the petition;
- (b) Ensure the investigation is completed within thirty (30) days of receipt of the complaint; and
- (c) Render a determination as to the validity of the petition.

Kentucky statute KRS 160.1590(11) defines "parent" as: a parent, guardian, or other person or entity having legal custody of a child.  
Kentucky regulation 701 KAR 8:010 defines "person with custody or charge" as: any adult, pursuant to KRS 159.010, who falls within the definition of KRS 387.010(2) for interested person or entity and with whom the student resides.

KRS 387.010(2) defines "interested person or entity" as: an adult relative or friend of the minor, an official or representative of a public or private agency, corporation, or association concerned with the minor's welfare, or any other person found suitable by the District Court.  
Kentucky regulation 701 KAR 8010 defines "adult student" as: a student who is eighteen (18) years or older who is still eligible for enrollment and attendance at a school program pursuant to KRS 158.030 and 158.100.

Kentucky regulation 701 KAR 8010 defines "emancipated youth" as: a student under the age of eighteen (18) who is or has been married or has by court order or otherwise been freed from the care, custody, and control of the student's parents.

