

Recommendations from Rank II Committee

1. Remove the mandatory requirement for an educator to obtain a Rank II as outlined in *16 KAR 8:020 Planned Fifth-year Program*.
2. Allow a National Board Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) certification to apply toward either a Rank II or Rank I as allowed in *KRS 161.1211 (1) Classification of teachers*. If an educator receives an additional NBPTS certificate in a different content area, the second certification may be used for a Rank I.
3. Create an approval process for an education cooperative, school district, or similar, as allowed in *KRS 161.030 (10) Certification authority* to submit a planned pathway for a Rank II utilizing field-based experience, individual research, and approved professional development as allowed in *KRS 161.095 Continuing Education for Teachers*.
4. Maintain the current Continuing Education Option (CEO) program as is.
5. Remove the prerequisite of a master's degree for admission to an administrative program, but maintain the experience prerequisites.
6. Inform and promote the changes made by the Board once they go into effect.