

Boone County Schools
Educational Enhancement Opportunity Application

An Educational Enhancement Opportunity (EHO) allows a student to have an excused absence to participate in an educational activity outside of the school, but be counted present in attendance. The intended use of the Educational Enhancement Opportunity days authorized by KRS 159.035 is to allow principals to grant students an excused absence to pursue an extraordinary educational opportunity beyond the classroom.

The proposed activity must have significant educational value and be composed of an intensive instructional program related to the core curriculum such as English, science, mathematics, social studies, or foreign language, and the arts. An EHO shall not include nonacademic extracurricular activities, family vacations, funerals, non-school related sports events, and community events because these are not part of an intensive instructional program. A student shall not be eligible to receive an excused absence under the provisions of this statute for an absence during a school's testing window established for assessments of the Commonwealth Accountability Testing System or during a testing period established for the administration of additional district-wide assessments at the school.

The application below must be completed in its entirety and submitted to the principal for their approval ten (10) school days prior to the event. The Principal will use his/her good judgment to determine if the activity meets the KRS criteria and connection to the grade level standards. Decisions may be appealed to the Superintendent.

School: _____ **Date of Application:** _____

Student Name : _____ **Homeroom Teacher:** _____

Grade: _____ **Total # of Absences** (*excused & unexcused*) **to Date:** _____

Location of Opportunity: _____ **Dates of Opportunity:** _____

Curricular Area: ☐ English ☐ Science ☐ Mathematics ☐ Social Studies ☐ Foreign Language ☐ Arts

Please explain the nature of the event the student will be attending and how the activity meets the criteria of (1) having "significant educational value", (2) how the activity is directly related to one of the core curriculum subjects checked above, and (3) what evidence will be submitted demonstrating the significant educational learning upon their return. (*to be submitted no later than 2 days after return*) Use additional paper, if needed, and attach to this completed form.

Parent Signature: _____ **Email:** _____

Students must complete missed work during the opportunity and submit within the days upon return.

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☐ **Approved** ☐ **Denied** _____ **Date:** _____

(Principal's Signature)

Original on File: _____ Notice to parent: _____ District office: _____ # of approved days: _____ # of denied days: _____