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will be discussed July 30 in a meeting of local, state, and University of Kentucky officials. According to SCC Director Dr. Roscoe Kelley, plans for a \$1 million library, approximately 20,000 square feet in size, should be finished in about six months, and “if construction begins before the end of the 1976-77 school year, I feel we’ll be doing all right,” he added. In addition to the library, the UK five-year master plan calls for a \$1.5 million auditorium-academic building to be constructed on the SCC campus south of Somerset off Monticello Road in the 1978-80 biennium.

-The Kentucky Department of Education has officially approved some \$2.5 million in construction projects, including a new middle school, for the Pulaski County School System. Supt. Roy E. Holt was notified of the state’s decision yesterday. Okayed were the system’s applications to build a middle school on University Drive to house 900 students, the construction of a new bus maintenance garage, renovation of the present garage for industrial arts and vocational agricultural classrooms and building a six-lane paved track for Pulaski County High. The state estimated the new middle school to cost \$2.2 million. The educational complex, to be known as Holt Middle School, will include 22 regular classrooms, three science rooms, a music room, an art room, a home economics suite, a full-sized cafeteria and a gymnasium with locker rooms and stage area. The gym will have a seating capacity of 500.

-More than 700 University of Kentucky students from the Commonwealth have been named to the dean’s list in several UK colleges for the spring semester. Students on the dean’s lists from Pulaski County are: Leigh Ann Morgan, Business and Economics, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack F. Morgan, 107 Vicki Lane; Donald Bruce Orwin, Business and Economics, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Orwin, 111 Bash; Martha E. Alexander, Education, 751 Jarvis Ave.; and Jane Carroll Bryan, Education, daughter of F.C. Bryan, all of Somerset; and Janice Kaye Clarkson, Education, 6004 Middlerose Circle, Faubush.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS: SEE **PAST**, PAGE 6

-Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stewart of Somerset announce the arrival of a son born Monday, July 19, at the Lake Cumberland Medical Center. He is their first child and they have chosen the name Kyle Patrick for their son. Mrs. Stewart, before her marriage, was Miss Joyce Nicholas. Mr. and Mrs. Parker Nicholas of Somerset are the baby’s maternal grandparents. Dr. and Mrs. Murrell Stewart of Richmond are the paternal grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. George Burton of Oak Hill are the maternal great-grandparents.

-Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hall of Eubank announce the arrival of a son Tuesday, July 20, at Lake Cumberland Medical Center. They have chosen the name Jeremy Lucas for their baby. Mrs. Hall before her marriage was Miss Mary Louise Lefler. The baby’s maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lefler of Eubank. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hall of Eubank.

Engagements, Weddings and Anniversaries:

-Mr. And Mrs. Ernest Webb of Eubank announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Deborah Webb, to Mr. Dennis Dean Blevins, also of Eubank. Mr. Blevins is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Blevins of Eubank. The wedding will take place Saturday, August 14, at 6:30 p.m. at the Briary Union Church. Immediately following the ceremony, a reception will be held in the lower auditorium of the church. All relatives and friends of the couple are invited to attend the wedding and the reception.

-The marriage of Miss Christine Nelms, daughter of Mrs. Marylou Arsensault Nelms, Atlanta, Ga., and Terry Allen Gibbs, Jonesboro, Ga., son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth M. Gibbs, Somerset, was solemnized Saturday, June 25, at The Church of St. Jude The Apostle in Atlanta. After a wedding trip to the South Carolina coast, the couple will be at home at Jonesboro, Ga. The bride is a graduate of St. Joseph’s High School in Atlanta and attended Clayton Junior College of the University of Georgia. Mr. Gibbs received his BA degree from Berea College in 1970 and completed studies in Communications at Elkins Institute and at the Career Academy of Radio and TV Broadcasting in Atlanta. He

PULASKI COUNTY, SOMERSET INDEPENDENT, AND SCIENCE HILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS’ PUBLIC NOTICE NOTIFICATION OF FERPA RIGHTS and CHILD FIND for CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES IN NEED of SPECIAL EDUCATION or 504 SERVICES

Notification of FERPA Rights
The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and “eligible students” (students over 18 years of age or students who are attending a postsecondary institution) certain rights with respect to the student’s education records. They are:

1)The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within forty-five (45) days of the day the District receives a request for access.

Parents or eligible students should submit to the school Principal/designee a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The Principal will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the record(s) may be inspected.

2) The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or in violation of the student’s privacy or other rights.

Parents or eligible students may ask the District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate, misleading, or in violation of privacy or other rights. They should write the school Principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate, misleading, or in violation of their privacy or other rights.

If the District decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the District will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise him/her of the right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3) The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

One exception that permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A “school official” is a person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the school Board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his/her tasks.

A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his/her professional responsibility to the district.

Upon request, the District shall disclose education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll or is already enrolled or to other entities authorized by law.

Disclosure of information is provided to those whose knowledge of such information is necessary to respond to an actual, impending, or imminent articulable and significant health/safety threat.

4) The right to prohibit the disclosure of personally identifiable information concerning the student to recruiting representatives of the U.S. Armed Forces and its service academies, the Kentucky Air National Guard, and the Kentucky Army National Guard.

Unless the parent or eligible student requests in writing that the District not release information, the student’s name, address, and telephone number (if listed) shall be released to Armed Forces recruiters upon their request.

5) The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the District to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

**Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-4605**

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

The Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee is authorized to release Board approved directory information. “*Directory Information*” is information contained in an educational record which would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. This information may be released without consent. “*Directory Information*” includes the student’s name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and the most recent previous educational agency or institution attended. The parent, guardian, or eligible student currently enrolled may request that all or part of the “*Directory Information*” be withheld.

Pulaski County School District’s process for any eligible student, parent, or guardian who does not wish to have directory information released shall notify the Superintendent in writing within 30 days of distribution of the Annual FERPA Notice which allows parents to so notify the school district.

Somerset Independent School District’s process for any eligible student, parent, or guardian who does not wish to have directory information released shall make a request in writing to the Principal of the child’s school within thirty (30) calendar days after the Annual FERPA Notice has been distributed. The written request must specifically state what information may not be classified as “Directory Information”.

Science Hill Independent School District’s process for any eligible student, parent, or guardian who does not wish to have directory information released shall make a written request to the Principal within thirty (30) calendar days after the Annual FERPA Notice has been distributed. The written request must specifically state what information may not be classified as “Directory Information”.

CHILD FIND

The *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and the Somerset Independent School District* keep educational records in a secure location in each school and Board office.

The *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School District* obtains written consent from a parent or eligible student (age 18 or who is attending a postsecondary institution), before disclosing personally identifiable information to an entity or individual not authorized to receive it under FERPA.

For students who have been determined eligible for Special Education, educational records will be destroyed at the request of the parents when they are no longer needed to provide educational programs or services. The *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School District* may destroy the educational records of a child without parent request three years after they are no longer needed to provide educational programs or services. Parents are advised that data contained in the records may later be needed for Social Security benefits or other purposes. The *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School District* may retain, for an indefinite period of time, a record of the student’s name, address, telephone number, grades, attendance records, classes attended, grade level completed, and year completed.

Children eligible for Special Education include those children with disabilities who have autism, deaf-blindness, developmental delay, emotional-behavior disability, hearing impairment, mental disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, specific learning disability, speech

or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, or visual impairment and who because of such an impairment need Special Education services.

Children eligible for 504 services include those children who have a current physical or mental impairment that currently substantially limits some major life activity, which causes the student’s ability to access the school environment or school activities to be substantially limited.

Children eligible for the State-Funded Preschool program include three- and four-year old children identified with disabilities and four-year old children who are at-risk, as defined by federal poverty levels up to 160%. Preschool children eligible for Special Education must have an Individual Education Plan (IEP) instead of a 504 plan to receive State-Funded Preschool program services.

The *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School District* have an ongoing “Child Find” system, which is designed to locate, identify and evaluate any child residing in a home, facility, or residence within its geographical boundaries, age three (3) to twenty-one (21) years, who may have a disability and be in need of Special Education or 504 services. This includes children who are not in school; those who are in public, private, or home school; those who are highly mobile such as children who are migrant or homeless; and those who are advancing from grade to grade, who may need but are not receiving Special Education or 504 services.

The *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School District* will make sure that any child enrolled in its district who qualifies for Special Education or 504 services, regardless of how severe the disability, is provided appropriate Special Education or 504 services at no cost to the parents of the child.

Parents, relatives, public and private agency employees, and concerned citizens are urged to help the *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and the Somerset Independent School District* find any child who may have a disability and need Special Education or 504 services. The District needs to know the name and age, or date of birth of the child; the name, address, and phone number(s) of the parents or guardian; the possible disability; and other information to determine if Special Education or 504 services are needed.

Each district’s “*Child Find*” system includes children with disabilities attending private or home schools within the school district boundaries who may need special education services.

Letters and phone calls are some of the ways the *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School District* collect the information needed. The information the school District collects will be used to contact the parents of the child and find out if the child needs to be evaluated or referred for Special Education or 504 services.

If you know of a child who lives within the boundaries of the *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School District*, who may have a disability, and may need but is not receiving Special Education or 504 services, please contact the appropriate district at the numbers listed below or send the information to the appropriate Board office:

**Director of Special Education or 504 Coordinator
Linda Flynn
Pulaski County Board of Education
P.O. Box 1055
Somerset, KY 42502
(606) 679-1123
Fax (606) 679-1438**

**Director of Special Education or Section 504 Coordinator
Kristi Crawford
Science Hill Independent School District
6007 N. Hwy. 27
Science Hill, KY 42553
(606) 423-3341
Fax (606) 423-3313**

**Director of Special Education or Section 504 Coordinator
Becki Hays
Somerset Independent School District
305 College Street
Somerset, KY 42501
(606) 679-4451
Fax (606) 678-0864**

“*Child Find*” activities will continue throughout the school year. As part of these efforts the *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School District* will use screening information, student records, and basic assessment information it collects on all children in the District to help locate those children who have a disability and need Special Education or 504 services. Any information the District collects through “*Child Find*” is maintained confidentially.

Written Policies and Procedures have been developed which describe the District’s requirements regarding the confidentiality of personally identifiable information and “*Child Find*” activities. There are copies in the Principal’s office at each school, and in the Board of Education offices. Copies of these Policies and Procedures may be obtained by contacting:

**Director of Pupil Personnel
Pulaski County Board of Education
P.O. Box 1055
Somerset, KY 42502
(606) 679-1123**

**Director of Pupil Personnel
Science Hill Independent School District
6007 N. Hwy 27
Science Hill, KY 42553
(606) 423-3341
Fax (606) 423-3313**

**Director of Pupil Personnel
Somerset Independent School District
305 College Street
Somerset, KY 42501
(606) 679-4451
Fax (606) 678-0864**

The operating hours for the District offices are:

Pulaski County School District offices are open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Science Hill Independent School District offices are open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Somerset Independent School District offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00.

The *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School Districts* provide a public notice in the native language or other mode of communication of the various populations in the geographical boundaries of the District to the extent feasible. If you know of someone who may need this notice translated to another language, given orally, or delivered in some other manner or mode of communication, please contact the Director of Pupil Personnel, the Director of Special Education or the Section 504 Coordinator at the addresses or phone numbers listed above for the *Pulaski County School District, Science Hill Independent School District, and Somerset Independent School District*.



ALL HAIL THE QUEEN — Jim Estes, president of the Somerset-Pulaski County Jaycees, places the gleaming winner’s crown on the head of Beverly Estes, Miss Pulaski County Fair 1976. She won the crown and other prizes at the beauty pageant last night at the fair. (Town and Country Photo by David Rogers)