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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION 861-8021 RENEWAL 5

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350:055, notice is hereby given that Binderless Coal Briquetting Com-

pany Pty Limited, Lobby 1, Level 2, 76 Skyring Terrace, Newstead, AU 4006, has applied for a renewal to an existing coal mining operation. The operation consists of a coal processing facility (including crushers, belts, and a coal washer), underground mining and a refuse disposal area, affecting 48.7 acres located approximately 3.1 miles south of the commu-

nity of Bryant's Store in Knox County.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.05 miles northwest of KY 1809's junction with Davis Branch Road, and 0.05 miles west of Indian Gap.

The proposed operation is located on the Frakes USGS 7½ minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Charlisa Stewart and the operation will affect an

area within 100 feet of Kentucky Route 1809. The operation will not involve relocation and/or closure of the public road.

This is the final advertisement of this permit application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

The renewal application has been filed for public inspection at the

Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 E. Cumberland Avenue, Middlesboro, KY 40965.

Written comments, objections, or a request for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS KNOX COUNTY CAREER AND TECHNICAL CENTER (CTC)

Sealed Bids will be received, opened, and immediately read aloud at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, September 10, 2026, for the Knox County CTC Renovation/Addition Project. The bids will be received at Knox County Board of Education Annex Office.

The project site is located at 207 Hospital Drive, Barbourville, KY 40906. The bid is to furnish all necessary labor, materials, tools, machinery, warranties, and all other items required to meet the plans and specifications. Work to include, but not limited to: Site Excavation, Landscaping, Asphalt, Cast-in-Place Concrete, Structural Steel, CMU, Brick Masonry, Metal Panels, EPDM Roofing, Spray Applied Acrylic Coating, Interior finishes, casework, electric, plumbing, HVAC, Fire Alarm, Metal Stud Framing, Gypsum Sheathing Overhead Coiling Doors, and Acoustical Ceilings.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after the opening. Each bid must include a bid security in the amount of 5% of the total bid in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, irrevocable letter of credit, or surety company bond made payable to the Knox County Board of Education.

If a bid security in the amount of 5% of the full bid amount is submitted with the bid, the successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond and labor and material bond from an acceptable surety in the amount of 100% of the full contract amount. If a bid guaranty bond in the amount of 100% of the total bid is submitted with the bid, no additional performance and labor and material bond will be required.

The contract documents have been prepared by Summit Architects + Engineers, 3205 Summit Square Place, Lexington, KY 40509. For additional information or questions, send email inquiries to Kevin Gilling, kgilling@summit-ae.com or phone 606-432-1447, ext. 322. Copies of the documents may be purchased from Lynn Imaging, 328 East Vine Street, Lexington, KY, 40507, (859) 255-1021 or www.lynnimaging.com.

All provisions of the Kentucky Revised Code as it relates to bid guaranty's conditions, liabilities, and withdrawal of a bid are applicable to this contract. The owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to accept any bid which is deemed most favorable. The owner also reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the owner: Knox County Board of Education

In accordance with 7 CFR 1780.39, the Barbourville Utility Commission is accepting statements of qualifications (SOQ) from consulting engineering firms for all engineering services including, but not limited to, planning, design, and construction related to the Barbourville Utilities Richland Creek Sewer Extension, SX21121007. Federal grant funding may be sought for this project. A packet containing more information and evaluation criteria can be obtained by contacting the Barbourville Utility Commission at 606-546-3187. The Barbourville Utility Commission is an equal opportunity employer and encourages SOQ from all qualified firms. Proposals must be submitted to The Barbourville Utility Commission 202 Daniel Boone Drive, P.O. Box 1600, Barbourville, KY 40906 and received no later than **2 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15th, 2026**. The Barbourville Utility Commission reserves the right to reject any and all responses and negotiate with any firm of their choice and are not responsible or liable for any costs incurred.


Josh Callihan, P.E., General Manager

8/31/2026

Date

KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNUAL NOTIFICATIONS

As required by law, the Knox County Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, age, religion, sex (including sexual orientation or gender identity), genetic information, disability, or limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions in its programs and activities and provides equal access to its facilities to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

NOTIFICATION OF FERPA RIGHTS AND CHILD FIND

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and "eligible students" (students 18 years of age or older 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 inspect and review logs documenting disclosures of the student's education records. Except for disclosure to school officials, disclosures related to some judicial orders or lawfully issued subpoenas, disclosures of directory information, and disclosure to the parent or eligible student, FERPA regulations require the District to record the disclosure.
3. 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.
4. The right to provide written consent prior to disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. Exceptions that permit disclosure without consent include:
 - a. 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 volunteer, or an outside 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.

This may include contractors, consultants, volunteers, and other parties to whom the District has outsourced services or functions.

- b. Upon request, disclosure of education records without parent/eligible student notice or consent to officials of another school district or post-secondary institution in which a student seeks or intends to enroll or is already enrolled or to other entities authorized by law so long as the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer.
- c. Disclosure of information to those whose knowledge of such information is necessary to respond to an actual, impending, or imminent articulable and significant health/safety threat.
- d. Disclosure to state and local educational authorities and accrediting organizations, subject to requirements of FERPA regulations.

Designated Kentucky State agencies may be permitted access to student record information, which will depend on the authority granted to their particular agency.

5. The right to notify the District in writing to withhold information the Board has designated as directory information as listed in the annual directory information notice the District provides to parents/eligible students.

To exercise this right, parents/eligible students shall notify the District by the deadline designated by the District.

6. 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, the Kentucky Army National Guard and institutions of higher education.

Unless the parent or student who has reached age 18 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 and institutions of higher education upon their request.

7. 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

CHILD FIND FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES IN NEED OF SPECIAL EDUCATION OR 504 SERVICES

The Knox County School District keeps educational records in a secure location in each school and Board office. The Knox County 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 Knox County School District may destroy the educational records of a child without parent request three (3) 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 Knox County 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 in a public elementary and secondary education program 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 150%. 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 Knox County School District has 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 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.

The Knox County School District will make sure 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 Knox County 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.

Letters and phone calls are some of the ways the Knox County School District collects 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 Knox County School District, who may have a disability, and may need but is not receiving Special Education or 504 services, please call (606)645-2830 or send the information to:

Savannah Blevins, Director of Special Populations; Knox County Schools; 200 Daniel Boone Drive; Barbourville, KY 40906; (606) 645-2830 Ext. 2421

If you know of a child who attends a private or home school within the boundaries of the Knox County School District, who may have a disability, and may need but is not receiving Special Education services, please Savannah Blevins, Director of Special Populations; Knox County Schools; 200 Daniel Boone Drive; Barbourville, KY 40906; (606) 645-2830 Ext. 2421

"Child Find" activities will continue throughout the school year. As part of these efforts the Knox County 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 of each school, and in the Board of Education office. Copies of these Policies and Procedures may be obtained by contacting: Bryan Berta, Director of Pupil Personnel; Knox County Schools; 200 Daniel Boone Drive; Barbourville, KY 40906; (606) 645-2830 Ext. 2423.

The District office is open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Knox County School District provides 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 Student Services or the Director of Special Populations at the address or phone number listed above for the Knox County Schools.

PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAMS

USDA Nondiscrimination Statement

In accordance with federal civil rights law and USDA civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its agencies, offices, employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the state or local agency that administers the program or contact USDA through the Telecommunications Relay Service at 711 (voice and TTY). Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English. To file a program

discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at How to File a Program Discrimination Complaint and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Mail Stop 9410, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; Fax: (202) 690-7442; or Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender. With questions about the school food service program, contact Angela Ledford, director, at (606)645-2830, Ext. 2410.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS AND CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Recipients of federal funding must annually issue a public statement of non-discrimination for all career and technical education programs. Students, their families, employees and potential employees of the Knox County Public Schools are hereby notified that the Knox County Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, religion, marital status, sex or disability in employment, vocational programs, or activities as set forth in compliance with federal and state statutes and regulations. Any persons having inquiries concerning Knox County Public Schools' compliance with Title II, Title VI, Title IX and/or Section 504 may contact:

Director of Special Populations including Exceptional Children and 504, Savannah Blevins;

Director of Federal Programs including Title Programs and Title IX, Stacy Imel; Director of Career and Technical Education, Frank Shelton;

The Knox County Public Schools offers the following career and technical education programs for all students regardless of race, color, national origin, including those with limited English proficiency, sex or disability in grade 9-12: Agriculture, Business and Marketing, Family and Consumer Sciences, Health Sciences, Information Technology, Technology Education, Auto Technology, Carpentry, Electricity, Office Technology and Welding.

SEXUAL EXTORTION

For 2025-2026, legislative action in SB 73 CREATES NEW SECTIONS OF KRS 158 AND KRS 531 CREATING THE CRIME OF SEXUAL EXTORTION. This information is provided as a one-time notice in newspaper and will be updated on the district website thereafter.

DEFINITION

A person is guilty of sexual extortion when he or she communicates, through any means, a threat to:

- (a) Injure the property or reputation of another person or commit violence against another person with the intent to coerce that person to: 1. Engage in sexual conduct; or 2. Produce, provide, or distribute any matter depicting that person engaging in sexual conduct or in a state of nudity or seminudity; or
- (b) Distribute any matter depicting another person engaged in sexual conduct or in a state of nudity or seminudity with the intent to coerce that person to: 1. Engage in sexual conduct; 2. Produce, provide, or distribute any matter depicting that person engaging in sexual conduct or in a state of nudity or seminudity; 3. Provide the payment of money, property, services, or any other thing of value to the perpetrator; or 4. Do any act or refrain from doing any act against his or her will.

Sexual extortion is a Class A misdemeanor unless:

- (a) The victim, as a result of the commission of the offense: 1. Engages in sexual conduct; 2. Produces, provides, or distributes any matter depicting himself or herself engaging in sexual conduct or in a state of nudity or seminudity; 3. Provides the payment of money, property, services, or any other thing of value to the offender; 4. Does any act or refrains from doing any act against his or her will; or 5. Suffers serious physical injury;
- (b) In which case it is a Class D felony; or

1. The person: a. Was previously convicted of any sexual offense under KRS Chapter 510 or a sex crime as defined in KRS 17.500; b. Occupied a position of special trust or a position of authority as those terms are defined in KRS 532.045 in relation to the victim; c. Used or threatened the use of a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument against the victim during the commission of the offense; or d. Is an adult and the victim is a minor, and there is greater than a four (4) year difference in age between them; or
2. The offense was committed during the course of a kidnapping as described in KRS 509.040;

In which case the person shall be charged one (1) level higher than the level otherwise specified in this subsection. If the victim attempts suicide resulting in serious physical injury or dies by suicide within ninety (90) days of the commission of the offense as a proximate result of the trauma the victim experience during or following the commission of the offense, the person may be prosecuted for homicide under KRS Chapter 507 or assault under KRS Chapter 508.

This section does not apply to:

- (a) Images involving voluntary nudity or sexual conduct in public, commercial settings, or in a place where a person does not have a reasonable expectation of privacy;
- (b) Disclosures made in the public interest, including the reporting of unlawful conduct, or lawful and common practices of law enforcement, criminal reporting, corrections, legal proceedings, or medical treatment;
- (c) Disclosures of materials that constitute a matter of public concern; or
- (d) When acting in its capacity as a provider of those services, a: 1. Broadband internet access service provider; 2. Telecommunications service provider, an interconnected VoIP service provider, or a mobile service providers as defined in 47 U.S.C. sec. 153; 3. Commercial mobile service providers as defined in 47 U.S.C. sec. 332; or 4. Cable operator as defined in 47 U.S.C. sec. 522; or (e) An interactive computer service, as defined in 47 U.S.C. sec. 230, related to content provided by a user of the interactive computer service.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THE KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

A complete list with definitions and actions of district policies and procedures is available online at www.knoxkyschools.com. Questions may be directed to Frank Shelton, Director of Communications, at frank.shelton@knox.kyschools.us or (606)645-2830 EXT. 2446.