

KENTUCKY



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The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Human Services' Division of Family Resource and Youth Services Centers provides administrative support, technical assistance, and training to local school-based Family Resource and Youth Services Centers. The primary goal of these Centers is to remove non-academic barriers to learning as a means to enhance student academic success.

Each Center offers a unique blend of programs and services determined by the needs of the population being served, available resources, location, and other local characteristics.

A complementary nonprofit organization, the Family Resource and Youth Services Coalition of Kentucky, provides legislative advocacy, training, and support for Center Coordinators and staff.

At a Glance

- Network Structure: Public-Funder Coordinated
- Funding Sources: State Department of Education/Cabinet for Health and Family Services
- Types of Members:
 - School-Based FRCs: 874

Network Functions

- Connecting Members Through Regular Meetings
- Training/Technical Assistance
- Working on Systems Change/Policy/Advocacy
- Pass-Through Funding to Members
- Marketing/Public Awareness Activities/
Public Awareness Activities
- Shared Data Management System

YEAR
FOUNDED

1990

NETWORK
MEMBERS

874

INDIVIDUALS
SERVED

650,000

Member Service Areas

- Parenting Support
- Access to Resources
- Child Development Activities
- Family Economic Success Activities
- Educational Activities
- Health/Wellness Activities
- Intentional Multiple Family Member Engagement Activities



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MISSION STATEMENT:

- To enhance students' ability to succeed in school by developing and sustaining partnerships that promote:
- Early learning and successful transition to school;
 - Academic achievement and well-being; and
 - Graduation and transition into adult life.

Highlights

- In 2021, Kentucky's Family Resource and Youth Services Centers received an additional \$15M from the federal Governor's Emergency Education Relief fund established in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- These funds were used by the Centers to provide and coordinate specific services and assistance related to the student and family needs associated with the pandemic in the areas of early childhood education, child care, and family crisis and mental health counseling
- In 2022, Kentucky's state legislature allocated an additional \$9.4M in state general funds for Family Resource and Youth Services Centers.



Outcomes

- Kentucky has seen vast improvements in children's educational success and attainment since developing Family Resource and Youth Services Centers more than 30 years ago as part of statewide education reform legislation. It has moved from 45th place in 1990 to being in the top 15 school systems in the country (Wallet Hub).
- The Division annually compiles local impact data from across the state. The information can be found at <https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dfrcv/dfrsc/Documents/impactreport21.pdf>

Standards of Quality Implementation

Standards of Quality



for Family
Strengthening & Support

STANDARDS
TRAINERS

13

CERTIFICATION
TRAININGS

30

CERTIFIED
INDIVIDUALS

1,155