

**McCRACKEN COUNTY SCHOOLS**  
**Staff Notes**

**ITEM:**

MUNIS Cloud Migration Contract

**APPLICABLE BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY, ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION OR STATUTE:**

MCPS 01.11

**ISSUE:**

Whether to approve an agreement to Tyler Technologies, parent company of MUNIS

**BACKGROUND:**

The Kentucky Department of Education recommends that all school districts move to a web-based “cloud” platform for MUNIS financial software. Since the implementation of MUNIS software in the late 1990s, each district has purchased and maintained a server locally to house the software program and was responsible for purchasing seat licenses for regular users of the software. KDE has always offered technical support for this method of hosting MUNIS.

In the past year, districts were notified by KDE that it would begin to phase out technical support for the MUNIS program for districts that self-hosted the software. KDE urged districts to migrate from the self-hosted method to the “cloud” platform. Moving to the MUNIS Cloud requires a significant annual investment by each district—an unfunded expense far beyond the cost of hosting MUNIS at the local level. But without the technical support provided by KDE, self-hosting becomes an almost impossible option.

McCracken County Schools is scheduled to migrate to the MUNIS Cloud in October 2012. In preparation for that move, Tyler Technologies, the parent company of MUNIS, requires the Board to enter into an application service provider agreement shown in the attachment. The initial cost of this agreement is \$13,648.00 for hosting services. This is only a portion of the annual cost for hosting, as it is prorated for the time of year the installation will take place. The annual fee is \$20,472.00.

**ALTERNATIVE ACTION:**

1. Approve the application service provider agreement with Tyler Technologies for the MUNIS Cloud Migration.
2. Do not approve the application service provider agreement with Tyler Technologies for the MUNIS Cloud Migration.
3. Table for further review.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Superintendent recommends that the board approve the application service provider agreement with Tyler Technologies for the MUNIS Cloud Migration.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Johnna Lee DeJarnett, Assistant Superintendent

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