



Breathitt Veterinary Center

**Hutson School of Agriculture
Murray State University**

Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue,
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- *Our mission at the Breathitt Veterinary Center (BVC) is to provide rapid, accurate diagnostic data that enables veterinarians to make appropriate treatment decisions. The BVC is part of an interdependent team composed of the animal owner, veterinarian, and diagnostic laboratory dedicated to the efficient production of safe animal products to the consumers of Kentucky. The BVC uses the latest scientific knowledge, equipment, and techniques to reduce losses from animal diseases and to promote animal health.*





\$3,200,000 General Fund appropriation for Murray State University each fiscal year for Breathitt Veterinary Center. Investment provides:

- **DIAGNOSTIC TESTING**
- **EDUCATION**
- **OUTREACH**
- **RESEARCH**

Diagnostic Testing

- Nationally accredited for all species
- Work through veterinarians
- Diseases of high economic significance
- Public Health
- Routine testing



Education

- Veterinary Technology Program at Murray
- Veterinary Continuing Education
- Veterinary Student Internships



Outreach

- Training Ft. Campbell personnel
- Career Fairs & tours
- Participate on committees for Office of the State Veterinarian, Murray State, local & state agriculture groups, local school groups





Research

- Kentucky Department of Public Health
- Data for researchers
- Diagnostic testing – Murray State, University of Kentucky, Western Kentucky University

- In 2017, 210,000 tests were performed

TESTS BY SPECIES

