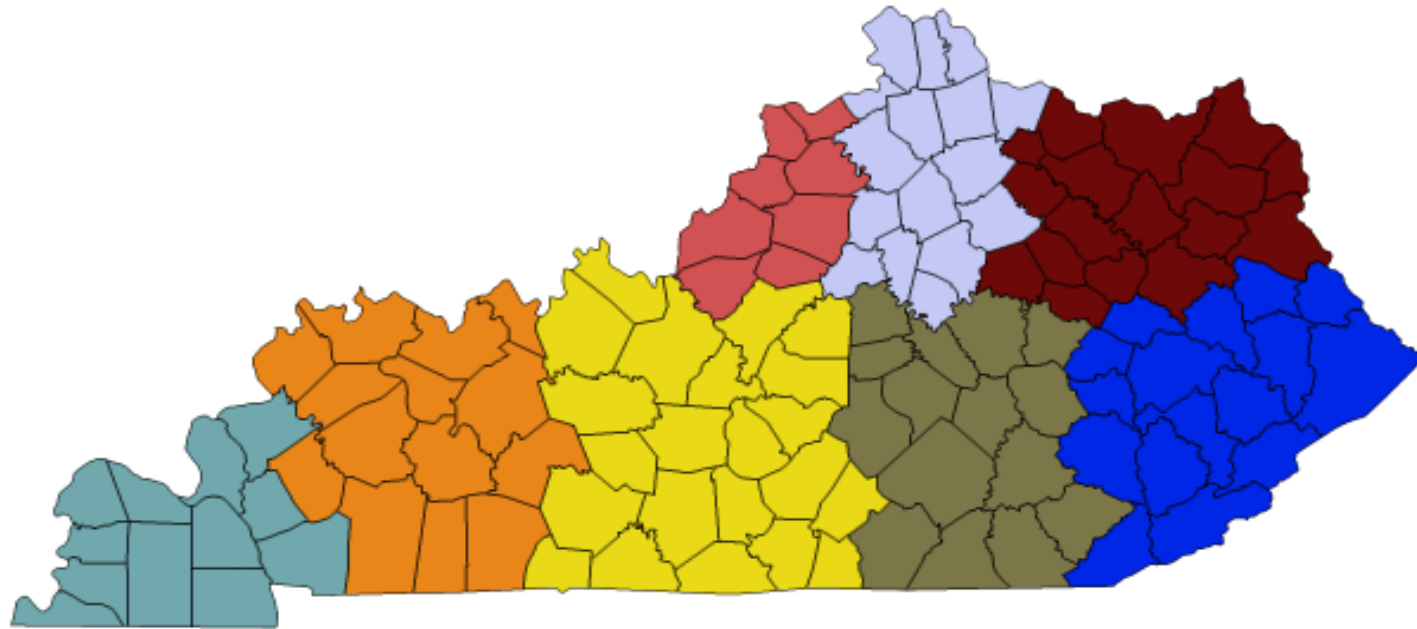


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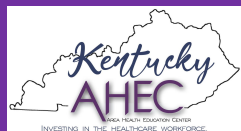
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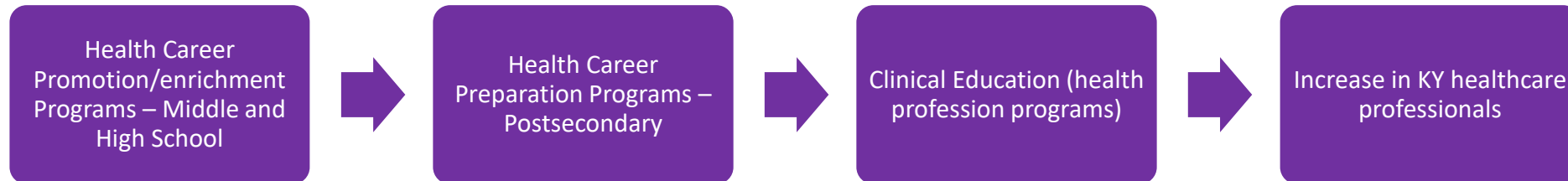
# An existing statewide network



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|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Purchase AHEC | South Central AHEC | North Central AHEC | Northeast AHEC |
| West AHEC     | Northwest AHEC     | Southern AHEC      | Southeast AHEC |



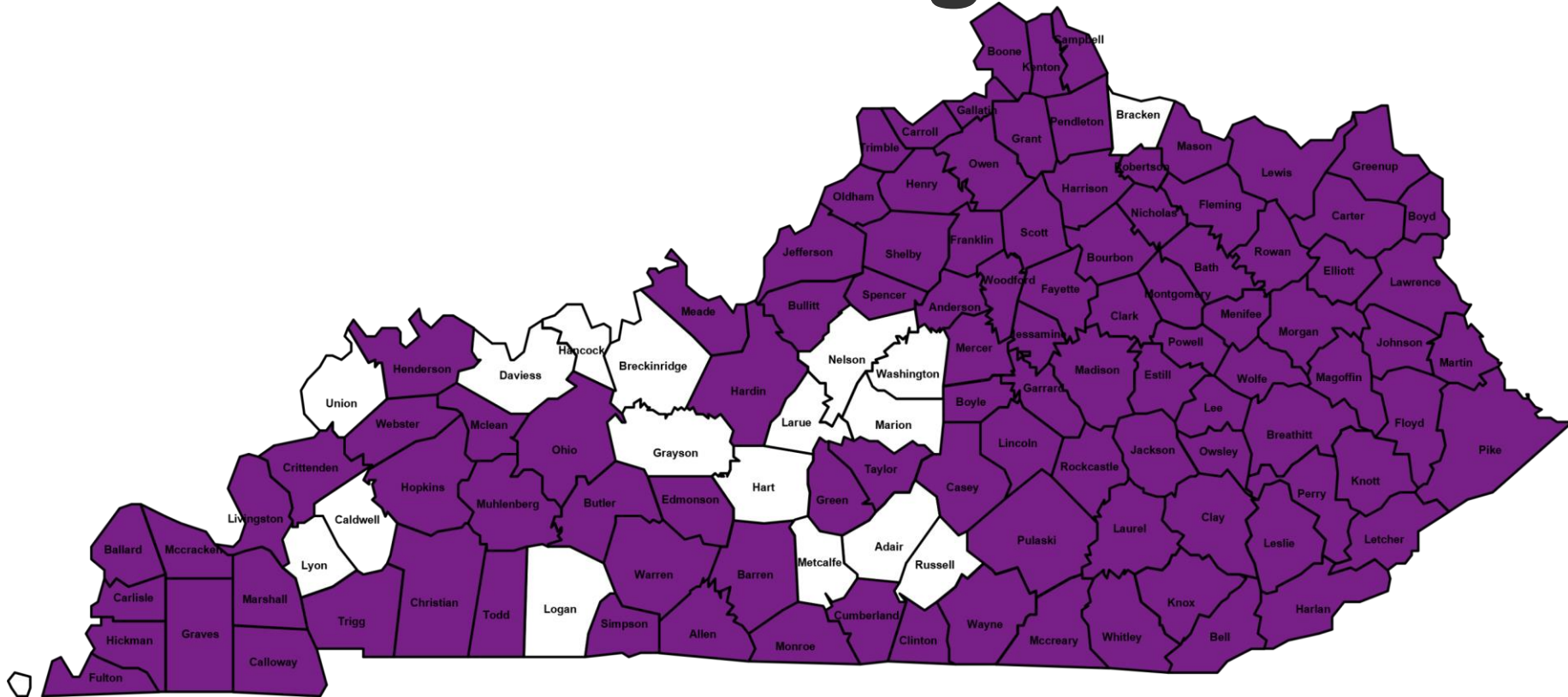
# A Pipeline of Success – Health Careers



# Reaching Students Across the Commonwealth



# Counties Reached with AHEC State Funding



Continued funding will enable AHEC to reach all 120 counties.

# Partnerships Across the State

- K-12 schools
- KCTCS
- Public/private universities
- Health professions faculty/students
- Local community organizations
- Healthcare facilities
- Professional associations



# Nursing Pipeline Program



# KY AHEC Medical School Preparation Programs





# After Participating in and AHEC Program...

**79%** Students report an interest in pursuing a health career

**63%** Plan to work in KY as a healthcare professional

**81%** Students report that they were confident they could achieve their future health career goals

# AHEC Works – Success Stories

- Samantha Mullins, MD
  - Hometown: Wingo, KY
- Graves County High School - 2011
- Murray State University - 2015
- University of Louisville School of Medicine - 2019
- The University of Tennessee Nashville Family Medicine Residency - 2022
- Attending Family Medicine Physician and Hospitalist at Murray Medical Associates and Murray Calloway County Hospital



# AHEC Works – Success Stories

Brandon Morehead, PA-C

- Paducah native
- McCracken County High School Class of 2014
- Murray State University Class of 2018
- University of Kentucky Physician Assistant Program Class of 2021
- Holistic Psychiatry/Emerald Therapy Center LLC 2021-current



# AHEC Works – Success Stories

- Community Health Workers (CHWs)
- Diabetes Education and Prevention
- Tobacco Use Prevention
- Health Careers Information
- CPR & First Aid Classes



# KY Students Depend on Continued AHEC Funding

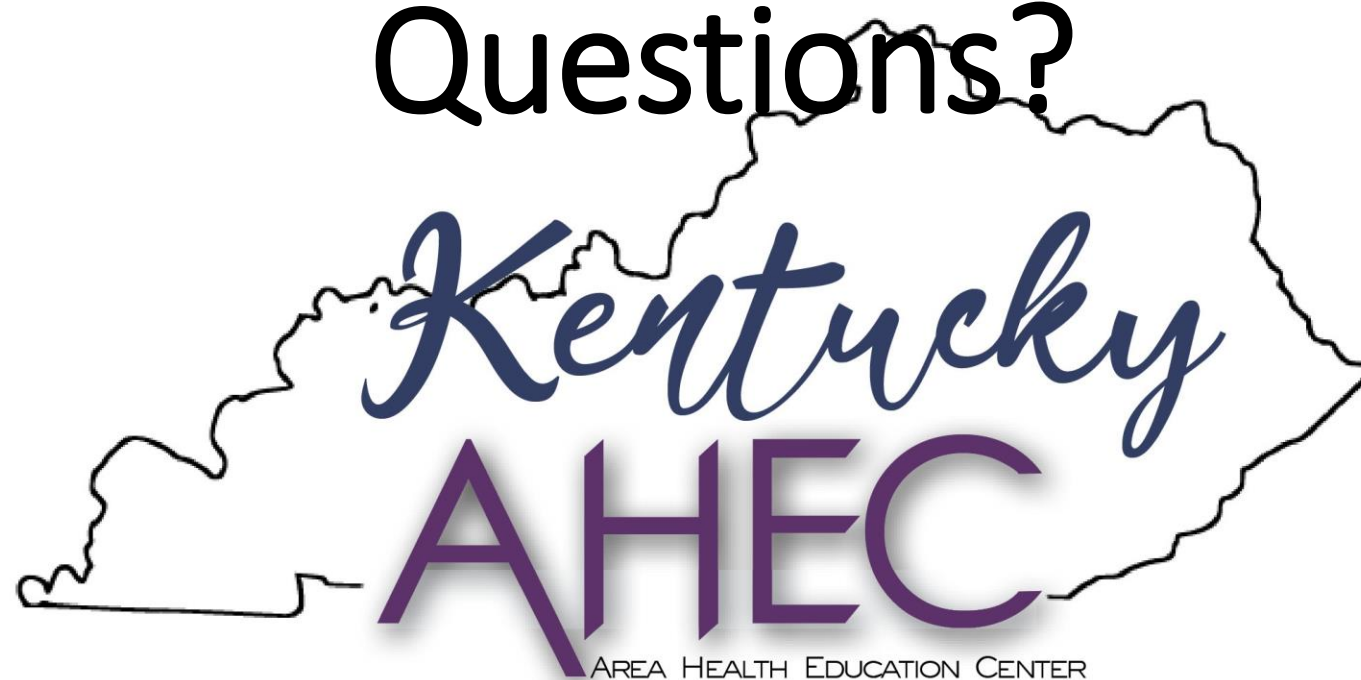
**4,300** high school students would lose access to extended health career exploration programs if funding is cut.

**6,500** high school students would lose access to day-long health career fairs if funding is cut.

**1,000** plus post-secondary students would lose access to health care prep programs through the AHECs (i.e. nurse aide trainings, shadowing, MCAT prep, etc.)

**ROI- Cost per student served \$104**

Questions?



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