

**164.360 Appointment and removal of president, faculty, and employees --
Performance and productivity evaluations.**

- (1) (a) Each board of regents for the universities shall appoint a president, appoint all faculty members and employees, and fix their compensation and tenure of service, subject to the provisions of subsections (2) to (5) of this section. Faculty member and employee appointment and removal decisions may be delegated to the president in accordance with policy adopted by each board of regents.
- (b) The board of regents for the Kentucky Community and Technical College System shall appoint a president, appoint all faculty members and employees, and fix their compensation and tenure of service, subject to the provisions of subsections (2) to (5) of this section. Faculty member and employee appointment and removal decisions may be delegated to the president in accordance with policy adopted by the board of regents.
- (2) No person shall be employed at an institution where his or her relative serves on the board of regents for that institution.
- (3) Each board may remove the president of the university or Kentucky Community and Technical College System, and the president may remove any faculty member or employee.
- (4) No president or faculty member shall be removed except for cause, which shall include incompetency, neglect of or refusal to perform his or her duty, immoral conduct, or failure to meet college or university performance and productivity requirements as determined in accordance with subsection (5) of this section. A president or faculty member shall not be removed until after thirty (30) days' notice in writing, stating the nature of the charges preferred, and after an opportunity has been given him or her to make defense before the board by counsel or otherwise and to introduce testimony which shall be heard and determined by the board. Charges against a president shall be preferred by the chairperson of the board upon written information furnished to him or her, and charges against a faculty member shall be preferred in writing by the president unless the offense is committed in his or her presence.
- (5) President and faculty member performance and productivity shall be evaluated at least once every four (4) years using a process approved by each board. Failure to meet performance and productivity requirements may result in removal of a president or faculty member regardless of status. The evaluation process shall be established by each board and provided to all faculty members by January 1, 2026, to become effective July 1, 2026.

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Legislative Research Commission Note (7/1/2006). Because of the Governor's partial

veto #9 of 2005 HB 267, the amendment to KRS 164.360 which was made by 2005 Ky. Acts ch. 173, Pt. I, K.1.(11), sec. 1, was only effective until July 1, 2006. The version that was last amended by 1997 (1st Extra. Sess.) Ky. Acts ch. 1, sec. 104, and that became effective on May 30, 1997, has been reinstated.