

164.945 Definitions for KRS 164.945 to 164.947. (Effective July 15, 2026)

As used in KRS 164.945 to 164.947, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) (a) "College" means any educational facility or institution maintained or conducted by any person, association, partnership, corporation, or trust and operating as an institute, junior college, college, university, or entity of whatever kind which awards a degree, diploma, or other statement of recognition purporting to indicate a level of collegiate attainment beyond secondary school graduation. This definition includes private colleges located in Kentucky, private colleges located outside of Kentucky but which operate in Kentucky, and public colleges located outside of Kentucky but which operate in Kentucky.
- (b) The term "college" does not include:
 1. State-supported colleges and universities authorized by KRS 164.100, 164.290, 164.580, and 164.810;
 2. Emergency medical services training and education institutes under the authority of the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services pursuant to KRS 311A.020; or
 3. Colleges licensed or approved for establishment and operation under the statutory authority given to the Kentucky Board of Barbering under KRS 317.430, the Kentucky Board of Cosmetology under KRS 317A.030, the Kentucky Commission on Proprietary Education under KRS 165A.340, or the State Board of Nursing under KRS 314.121;
- (2) "Degree" means any academic or honorary title of designation, mark, appellation, series of letters, numbers or words, such as, but not limited to, associate, bachelors, masters, doctorate, or fellow, which signifies, purports, or is generally taken to signify satisfactory completion of the requirements of an academic, educational, or professional program of study beyond the secondary school level; and
- (3) "Diploma" means a certificate, transcript, report, document, or title of designation, mark, appellation, series of letters, numbers, or words which signifies, purports, or is generally taken to signify attendance, progress, or achievement in an academic program.

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