

 <b>KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION</b> <b>KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY</b> <b>Legislative Bill</b>	<b>Red   Bill # 40</b>						
	<b>Referred to Committee:</b> <b>House 3</b>						
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<b>School:</b> Walton-Verona MS							
<b>City:</b> Walton							
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An act to require middle and high school student to receive a random drug test once during the school year

**Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**

Section 1: Research shows that 13.2% of Kentucky students before the age of 13 have experimented with marijuana and 21.7% have consumed alcohol. Obviously drug and alcohol use leads to academic development, social and emotional effects, health issues, car accidents, and even death.

Section 2: This bill will effect all middle and high school students in Kentucky, with the hopes of saving lives, improving the quality of life, and helping our students to be healthier and academically successful.

Section 3: The school nurses will enforce this bill, randomly selecting students to take their drug test sometime during the schools year.

Section 4: The cost of a standard drug test ranges between \$14.00 and \$30.00, however the cost of tests is decreasing due to increased volume and quality improvement. Parents will be required to pay the fee at the beginning of the school year and will be added to regular school fees.

Section 5: If a family cannot afford to pay for the drug test, the school administration will provide various options for the test to be covered. If the school does not administer the drug tests accordingly, the Kentucky Department of Education will cut state funding.

Section 6: This bill will take effect during the 2016-2017 school year.