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Model 1: Level Playing Field (R1 Weight Factor Reduction)

Sector Weight Reduction 1: Apply Three-Quarter Weighting Between Sectors [1]

Institution	2026-27 Performance Distribution	Hypothetical Distribution	Difference by Institution	Difference by Sector
University of Kentucky	$44,264,500	$38,632,200	($5,632,300)	($9,095,200)
University of Louisville	20,749,300	17,286,400	(3,462,900)	
Eastern Kentucky University	5,326,400	7,858,500	2,532,100	+ 9,095,200
Kentucky State University	0	22,700	22,700	
Morehead State University	0	0	0	
Murray State University	4,808,400	6,471,900	1,663,500	
Northern Kentucky University	10,161,400	12,258,500	2,097,100	
Western Kentucky University	4,392,900	7,172,700	2,779,800	
	$89,702,900	$89,702,900	$0	$0

[1] Assumes a research sector weight for each metric that is three quarters of the distance between no weighting and its full weighting as defined in administrative regulation, relative to its corresponding comprehensive sector weight in the fiscal 2026-27 university funding model. This scenario assumes no other changes.

Sector Weight Reduction 2: Apply One-Half Weighting Between Sectors [2]

Institution	2026-27 Performance Distribution	Hypothetical Distribution	Difference by Institution	Difference by Sector
University of Kentucky	$44,264,500	$32,198,800	($12,065,700)	($19,510,700)
University of Louisville	20,749,300	13,304,300	(7,445,000)	
Eastern Kentucky University	5,326,400	10,669,200	5,342,800	+ 19,510,700
Kentucky State University	0	382,300	382,300	
Morehead State University	0	0	0	
Murray State University	4,808,400	8,317,300	3,508,900	
Northern Kentucky University	10,161,400	14,574,000	4,412,600	
Western Kentucky University	4,392,900	10,257,000	5,864,100	
	$89,702,900	$89,702,900	$0	$0

[2] Assumes a research sector weight for each metric that is one half of the distance between no weighting and its full weighting as defined in administrative regulation, relative to its corresponding comprehensive sector weight in the fiscal 2026-27 university funding model. This scenario assumes no other changes.

Sector Weight Reduction 3: Apply One-Quarter Weighting Between Sectors [3]

Institution	2026-27 Performance Distribution	Hypothetical Distribution	Difference by Institution	Difference by Sector
University of Kentucky	$44,264,500	$24,623,700	($19,640,800)	($31,810,900)
University of Louisville	20,749,300	8,579,200	(12,170,100)	
Eastern Kentucky University	5,326,400	13,752,800	8,426,400	+ 31,810,900
Kentucky State University	0	778,400	778,400	
Morehead State University	0	898,500	898,500	
Murray State University	4,808,400	10,338,300	5,529,900	
Northern Kentucky University	10,161,400	17,093,700	6,932,300	
Western Kentucky University	4,392,900	13,638,300	9,245,400	
	$89,702,900	$89,702,900	$0	$0

[3] Assumes a research sector weight for each metric that is one quarter of the distance between no weighting and its full weighting as defined in administrative regulation, relative to its corresponding comprehensive sector weight in the fiscal 2026-27 university funding model. This scenario assumes no other changes.

Sector Weight Reduction 4: Eliminate Weighting Between Sectors [4]

Institution	2026-27 Performance Distribution	Hypothetical Distribution	Difference by Institution	Difference by Sector
University of Kentucky	$44,264,500	$15,830,600	($28,433,900)	($46,135,200)
University of Louisville	20,749,300	3,048,000	(17,701,300)	
Eastern Kentucky University	5,326,400	17,228,000	11,901,600	+ 46,135,200
Kentucky State University	0	1,226,000	1,226,000	
Morehead State University	0	2,404,500	2,404,500	
Murray State University	4,808,400	12,611,100	7,802,700	
Northern Kentucky University	10,161,400	19,911,400	9,750,000	
Western Kentucky University	4,392,900	17,443,300	13,050,400	
	$89,702,900	$89,702,900	$0	$0

[4] Assumes all research university metric weights are set to a value of 1.00 in the "Metric Weighting Chart" tab of the fiscal 2026-27 university funding model, which is the same weighting given to comprehensive university metric weights. This scenario assumes no other changes.

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Model 2: Kentucky First Proposed Metric

Institution	2026-27 Performance Distribution	Hypothetical Distribution	Difference by Institution	Difference by Sector
University of Kentucky	$44,264,500	$10,332,100	($33,932,400)	($47,569,400)
University of Louisville	20,749,300	7,112,300	(13,637,000)	
Eastern Kentucky University	5,326,400	12,162,300	6,835,900	
Kentucky State University	0	0	0	
Morehead State University	0	0	0	
Murray State University	4,808,400	10,337,500	5,529,100	+ 42,866,500
Northern Kentucky University	10,161,400	35,413,600	25,252,200	
Western Kentucky University	4,392,900	9,642,200	5,249,300	
	$89,702,900	$85,000,000	($4,702,900)	($4,702,900)

[1] This scenario revises the existing model by distributing funds based on five metrics (bachelor's degrees, STEM+H bachelor's and graduate degrees, graduate degrees, unweighted earned credit hours, and a workforce metric), each allocated at 20%. Sector weights are removed with the exception of the graduate degrees metric (weighted at 1.2). A parity adjustment is still utilized. STEM+H credentials used are consistent with current the current CPE specification, and the workforce metric provided by KYSTATS includes students completing any degree/credential at a public university and either re-enrolling in a program or participating in Kentucky's workforce three years after graduating. Consistent with the request, a flat $85 million is allocated instead of the ~$89 million allocated to universities in 2026-27, and the workforce metric is provided is not calculated as a three-year average, but rather as a single year.

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Model 3: Equal Low-Income Metric (Targeted Weight Correction)

Institution	2026-27 Performance Distribution	Hypothetical Distribution	Difference by Institution	Difference by Sector
University of Kentucky	$44,264,500	$39,012,800	($5,251,700)	($9,745,100)
University of Louisville	20,749,300	16,255,900	(4,493,400)	
Eastern Kentucky University	5,326,400	8,268,500	2,942,100	+ 9,745,100
Kentucky State University	0	129,900	129,900	
Morehead State University	0	0	0	
Murray State University	4,808,400	6,509,200	1,700,800	
Northern Kentucky University	10,161,400	12,172,800	2,011,400	
Western Kentucky University	4,392,900	7,353,800	2,960,900	
	$89,702,900	$89,702,900	$0	$0

[1] This scenario only revises the low-income bachelor's degree metric sector weighting (moving from 2.3512 to 1.0). No other changes were made to model specification, and the parity adjustment is still utilized.

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Model 4: Sector Model (R1 vs. Comprehensive Separate Pools)

Institution	2026-27 Performance Distribution	Hypothetical Distribution	Difference by Institution	Difference by Sector
University of Kentucky	$44,264,500	$28,937,600	($15,326,900)	($24,557,800)
University of Louisville	20,749,300	11,518,400	(9,230,900)	
Eastern Kentucky University	5,326,400	11,839,700	6,513,300	
Kentucky State University	0	456,500	456,500	
Morehead State University	0	35,800	35,800	
Murray State University	4,808,400	9,212,400	4,404,000	+ 24,557,800
Northern Kentucky University	10,161,400	16,089,300	5,927,900	
Western Kentucky University	4,392,900	11,613,200	7,220,300	
	$89,702,900	$89,702,900	$0	$0

[1] This scenario splits the university pool between research and comprehensive universities based on the share of bachelor's degrees produced (45.1%/54.9%). It retains the university allocation of $89.7 million. Because the pools are split, sector weightings are removed. All other model specifications, including the parity adjustment, are retained.

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Model 5: Pure Performance

Institution	2026-27 Performance Distribution	Hypothetical Distribution	Difference by Institution	Difference by Sector
University of Kentucky	$44,264,500	$0	($44,264,500)	($65,013,800)
University of Louisville	20,749,300	0	(20,749,300)	
Eastern Kentucky University	5,326,400	23,625,500	18,299,100	+ 60,310,900
Kentucky State University	0	1,016,000	1,016,000	
Morehead State University	0	3,812,600	3,812,600	
Murray State University	4,808,400	14,968,600	10,160,200	
Northern Kentucky University	10,161,400	16,422,200	6,260,800	
Western Kentucky University	4,392,900	25,155,100	20,762,200	
	$89,702,900	$85,000,000	($4,702,900)	($4,702,900)

[1] This scenario distributes a flat $85 million (consistent with request) using eight metrics with equal metric pool shares. All metrics are implemented without sector weighting. The model uses bachelor's degree production, STEM+H bachelor's degrees, first-generation bachelor's degrees, low-income bachelor's degrees, current progression metrics (30/60/90 credit hours), and unweighted student credit hours. Operational components are removed from the model scenario.