



KENTUCKY

# Employee Connection

News for the state government workforce

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## Top Headlines



### Your education just got more affordable!

Kentucky State University (KSU) is now offering executive branch state employees 25 percent off the cost of tuition! Visit the employee discount [site](#) and click on "Services/Education."

### Nominations sought for Governor's Service Awards

Nominate an extraordinary individual, group, nonprofit or business in one of 14 categories. Find general information, criteria, nomination form and submission instructions, as well as previous winners [here](#).

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## Your money



### Save more with Kentucky Deferred Comp

The Internal Revenue Services has increased the deferral limits for 2015. [See the limits](#) for the new year

### Can't wait to get your 2014 tax refund?

You can file your tax return online beginning Jan. 20. [Learn more](#). Don't forget to verify your address in KHRIS Employee Self Service to ensure timely receipt of your W2.

### KET call-in provides college financial aid advice

## Things to do

### KRS offers series of webinars

Kentucky Retirement Systems is offering a series of interactive webinars in February and March. [Learn more](#).



### Time to keep your promise!

If you chose a LivingWell health plan for 2015, complete your Vitality Check (biometric screening) or online Health Assessment by May 1. [Learn more](#).

### KRS needs to hear from you!

Help us know how you prefer to receive information and how KRS can better communicate with you. Take a few minutes to complete [this survey](#). We value your feedback!

### KET meets Kentucky's Washington delegation

Tune in as host Bill Goodman sits down for in-depth interviews with each member of Kentucky's Congressional delegation in special editions of *One to One with Bill Goodman* from Washington, D.C. [See more](#)

To provide students and parents with answers to pressing questions about financial aid, KET presents "**College Financial Aid Call-In 2015**," a one-hour, live special edition of **Education Matters**, airing Monday, Jan. 26 at 9/8 pm on KET. [Learn more.](#)

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## Celebrating Employees

Thomson-Hood Veterans Center employees receive community service award.

Former Public Protection Cabinet Secretary Robert D. Vance receives Gene W. Childress Leadership Award.

Charlotte Glaser Award of Merit presented to Margaret Puckett.

[Read the stories.](#)

## Sweet Deals

Celebrate Valentine's Day at a Kentucky State Park this year with your special someone! Many parks are offering entertainment, music, special dinners and more during the weekend of Feb. 14. Visit [www.parks.ky.gov](http://www.parks.ky.gov)

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Visit the [Kentucky tourism website](#) for a complete list of festivals and events across the Commonwealth.

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