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Estill County Goes Back to School with Dataseam

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky (September 2, 2026) Estill County Public Schools teachers and staff participated in a summer technology workshop available through the district's partnership with Dataseam, with each educator earning a new classroom workstation along with student devices to be used during the academic year.

Dataseam, an education and workforce education organization based in Louisville, works with Kentucky K-12 schools, improving the state's technology workforce as part of providing new classroom technology to schools addressing advanced curriculum needs preparing students for next-generation workforce demands.



Estill County teachers unbox iMac computers starting the training day.

Estill County has been a partner in the statewide program since 2019. The district's participation has brought students and staff more close to \$400,000 of new classroom technology during that period.

Charlie Brock, Superintendent, shares, "“Our partnership with Dataseam continues to be a tremendous benefit for Estill County Schools. It gives our teachers access to meaningful, high-quality professional learning while also putting powerful technology directly into our classrooms. Most importantly, these opportunities benefit our students by giving them access to the tools, experiences, and real-world connections they need to prepare for what comes after graduation.”

Computers provided by Dataseam are linked across the state district-by-district to assemble the DataseamGrid, a vital piece of Kentucky's innovation and commercialization network. It helps the University of Louisville's Brown Cancer Center develop more effective cancer drugs quicker

and with reduced costs. The cancer computations run securely in the background and do not impede the districts daily classroom and Internet demands. Datasream has worked in partnership for over 20 years with Kentucky K-12 schools advancing these efforts.



Estill County teachers stand with computers earned as their classroom workstation to start the new year.

learning experiences that prepare them for success beyond the classroom. The program's impact throughout Kentucky's coal regions shows how strategic investments in education can strengthen communities and help create a brighter future for the next generation."

"Estill County continues to access Datasream opportunity, creating positive impacts for the district's bottom line." Said Datasream CEO Brian Gupton. "We appreciate the General Assembly's continued support of the program initiatives designed to grow and improve Kentucky's next-generation workforce and IT talent sectors.

"I am pleased to see this investment bringing new opportunities to students and educators in Estill County," said Sen. Brandon Smith, R-Hazard. "Programs like Datasream play an important role in connecting students with technology, workforce skills, and hands-on

With efforts funded the U.S. Department of Labor, Appalachian Regional Commission, and a recent \$6,000,000 appropriation from the Kentucky General Assembly, Datasream now serves 62 K-12 districts representing over 45% of Kentucky's 634,000 public school students.

For more information on the district: <https://www.estill.kyschools.us>

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