



Inside Louisville Studies The New American Cursive

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Cursive will be a new requirement in Kentucky's public elementary schools this year, but it may not be the same cursive you learned as a student. Meet Iris Hatfield, the Louisville woman who created 'The New American Cursive,' a simplified version of cursive handwriting that is being taught across the country. A 2025 KET production.

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