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PREFACE

The policies of Unified School District 377 are the results of a combined effort of the professional staff of the Kansas Association of School Boards, the board of education and the district's staff.

The staff of KASB has written the policy model and integrated into that model the policies and procedures being used in the district at the time of the first draft. Upon completion of the first draft, a KASB staff member and selected staff members of the district edited all of the proposed policies and rules resulting in preparation of a second draft to be presented to the board. When requested, KASB staff members consulted with the board and selected staff members to arrive at the final draft. This final draft was then adopted by the board.

Understanding the Policy System

Policies are principles adopted by the school board to chart a course of action. They tell WHAT is wanted and may include also WHY and HOW MUCH. They should be broad enough to provide the administrators with guidance in handling the day-to-day issues which arise; they should be narrow enough to give the administration clear guidance.

This philosophy was incorporated into thinking that produced the model and guided the board and the district's staff in developing the final, adopted policies.

There is one binder containing thirteen sections of policies. These sections are:

A -- SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION
B -- SCHOOL BOARD OPERATIONS
C -- GENERAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION
D -- FISCAL MANAGEMENT
E -- BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
F -- FACILITY EXPANSION PROGRAM
G -- PERSONNEL (certified and noncertified)
H -- NEGOTIATIONS

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I -- INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM
J -- STUDENTS
K -- GENERAL PUBLIC RELATIONS
L -- INTERORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONS
M -- RELATIONS WITH OTHER EDUCATION AGENCIES

The system's ultimate success depends on using these policies daily to guide the administrators and as a management tool to facilitate school board operations and actions.

The coding or "tracking" of terms is by letter rather than by number. Letter (alpha) encoding offers two major advantages over number coding. A letter system offers more flexibility. The code has available 26 separate letters to use compared to only ten digits. A letter system requires no decimal points. This tends to reduce the likelihood of errors in reproduction and filing.

At first glance, letter codes may look strange compared to the more familiar decimal system. Yet it takes but a moment for a code-user to appreciate the logic and simplicity of letter coding.

The Index

The index is designed to help the user find the subject described in the appropriate policy. Major descriptors appear in several places in the index. This is to facilitate the user's search for correct term placement in the system.

When Using This Manual

To use this manual properly, the reader should look up the subject matter in the index and turn to the policy section first. The reader should check the table of contents found in the front of each policy section to determine if the desired subject is cross-referenced to any other policy and to determine if "Also" or "See" are present. The reader should turn to the alpha code in the appropriate section and read the policy. After the reader has done this, cross-references and other similar referrals should also be read.

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State Law and Negotiated Contracts

These policies do not contain any statutory language, except where necessary, or negotiated contract language. They exist in other, separate documents, which should be consulted if needed. If the reader is in doubt about the subject being pursued, guidance should be sought from the superintendent or some other administrative staff member.

Any member district may request KASB policy writers assist them in drafting locally generated policies and/or amendments or in the alpha-coding and placement of a new policy. Standard Association hourly consulting fees may apply in certain cases where the request is expected to consume a significant amount of staff time.

Definitions

1. When the masculine pronoun is used throughout these policies, it is intended to refer to both feminine and masculine antecedents.

2. Wherever the word "superintendent" or "principal" occurs, the words "or designated representative" are assumed to be included.

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I N D E X

To The

SCHOOL BOARD POLICY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

The index includes many terms that do not appear in the policy classification system. These are underlined and cross-referenced to appropriate descriptors. In addition, major descriptors appear in several places. This again is to facilitate the user's search for correct term placement in the system.

The purpose for indexing many terms not appearing in policy is to be able to adapt both the index and the policy classification system to the wide diversity of school districts that are using this KASB contracted service.

A

GBRI, GBRG	Absence from Duty
JBD	Absences, Students - KSA 72-1111, 72-1113
BCBG	Abstaining Vote
JGEB	Abuse, Child - KSA 38-1523; 21-3609
JF	Academic Achievement
JF	Academic Achievement Reporting
IAA	Academic Freedom
JGFG	Accidents and Illness - KSA 72-8404
MK	Accreditation - KSA 72-1114 to 72-1116
JH	Activity Fund Management (See DK)
	Activity Trips (See "Field Trips and Excursions")
JH, JHC	Activities, Cocurricular
JH, JHC	Activities, Extra-Curricular
JH	Activities, Fees - KSA 72-5389 to 72-5391
JH	Activities, Students - KSA 72-130 to 72-134, See KSHSAA By-Laws
GBRE (See GBRD)	Additional Duty
*C	Administration, General School
CA	Administration Goals and Objectives
CMA	Administration in Policy Absence
*CC	Administration Organization Charts
JGFGB	Administration of Medication
CJ	Administrative Consultants
CG	Administrative Intern Program
DJFAB	Administrative Leeway
CG	Administrative Personnel
CG	Assignment
CG	Compensation Guides and Contracts - KSA 72-5412
*CGPFB	Conferences and Visitations
*CGPEA	Consulting
CGI	Evaluation - KSA 72-9001 et seq.
*CGPA	Health Examinations - KSA 72-5213

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*CGD	Hiring
CD	Line and Staff Relations
*CGPE	Non-School Employment
CG	Orientation
CG	Part-Time Administrators
*CGPG	Personal Leaves and Absences
*CGB	Positions
*CGG	Probation
CK (See CG)	Professional Development Opportunities
*CGPF	Professional Leaves and Absences
*CGJ	Promotion
CG	Qualifications and Duties
CG	Recruitment
CEK	Resignation
*CGO	Retirement
*CGPFA	Sabbaticals
CEJ	Separation
CG, GBH	Supervision
CG	Time Schedules
*CGL	Transfer
CEF	Travel Expenses
*CGPH	Vacations
*CGP	Working Conditions
*CGPC	Work Load
CN	Administrative Records
CN	Central Office Records
CN	Building Records
	Administrative Regulations (See "Administrative Rules")
CO	Administrative Reports
CMA, BDC	Administrative Rules
CMA	Adoption (See CM)
CMA	Community Involvement (See CM)
CMA	Dissemination (See CM)
CMA	Drafting (See CM)
CMA, BDC	Review (See CM)
CMA	Staff Involvement (See CM)
CMA	Student Involvement (See CM)
JBC	Admissions
*IDG, JQJ	Adult Education Program
KI	Advertising in the Schools
BBC, BCBD	Advisory Committees
	Agenda
HAI	Negotiations
BCBD	School Board Meetings
HAI	Agreement, Procedural (See "Procedural Agreement")
HAJ	Agreement, Preliminary
HAL	Agreement Announcement
JCDAB (See JCDAA)	Alcohol Use
ING	Animals and Plants in the School
DC	Annual Operating Budget
CO	Annual Reports (See EBI, DJB)
IKE	Assemblies
	Assignment and Transfer
CG	Administrative Personnel

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GCE (See GCB)	Noncertified Personnel
GBE	Certified Personnel
JBE	Students (See "Student Assignment")
	Assistant Principals (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
	Assistant Superintendents (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
	Associate Superintendents (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
*MG	Associations
IDAB	At-Risk Students
IDFA	Athletics - KSA 72-130 to 72-134 - See KSHSAA by-laws
	Attendance - KSA 72-1111; 72-1113; 72-7204
AD	Attendance Areas - KSA 72-8212
JB	Student Attendance - KSA 72-1111; 72-1113;72-7204
	Attendance Officer (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
	Attorney - KSA 72-8205
BDA	Policy Development, Attorney Involvement (See BDBA)
BBE	School Board Attorney - KSA 72-8205
	Audiovisual Aids (See "Instructional Materials Centers")
	Audiovisual Personnel (See "Certified Personnel Positions")
*DID	Audits - KSA 75-1122 et seq.
JGFF	Automobile, Use by Students - KSA 72-9101
JGHB	Automated Play Machines
JN	Awards and Scholarships - KSA 72-6810 to 72-6815

B

IDA	Basic Instructional Program - KSA 72-8205; 72-8212
JCDA	Behavior Code
*JD	Behavior Clinic
	Benefits (See "Compensation")
DFK	Bequests - KSA 12-1252 to 12-1253; 72-8210-8212
GBRI,GCRG	Bereavement
JGF	Bicycle Use - KSA 8-1587 to 8-1592
DJED	Bids and Quotations Requirements - KSA 72-6760; 72-8404; 75-3740a
GARA	Blood Borne Pathogen Exposure Control Plan
KC	Board-Community Relations (See BBH - Remembrances)
	Board of Education (See "School Board")
JGFC	Bomb Threat
DH	Bonded Employees - KSA 72-8202d
	Bond Election Campaigns (See "Information Campaigns")
	Book Complaints (See "Public Complaints")
	Bookkeepers (See "Noncertified Personnel Positions")
	Boycotts (See "Strikes")
	Broadcasting and Taping
BCBJ, KBCD	School Board Meetings - KSA 72-8205; 75-4317 et seq.; 75-4318
KBCD (See KB)	Sports and Special Events - See KSHSAA By-laws

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	Budget - KSA 72-8156, 72-8204
DC (See DB)	Annual Operating Budget - KSA 72-7053; 72-8204a
DC (See DB)	Deadlines and Schedules
DC (See DB)	Encumbrances
*DJ	Funds - KSA 79-2925; 79-2934
*DCE	Final Adoption Procedures
DC (See DB)	Goals and Objectives
DC (See DB)	Hearings and Reviews - KSA 79-2927; 79-2929; 79-2933
DC (See DB)	Preliminary Adoption Procedures - KSA 79-2927;79-2929; 79-2933
DC (See DB)	Priorities
DC (See DB)	Publication of Recommendations - KSA 79-2927
*DCCB	Staff Involvement
*DCCE	Student Involvement
FB (See FA)	Building Committees
EB	Building and Grounds - KSA 58-1301 to 58-1305; 12-1769; 72-8212
EBA	Casualty - KSA 72-8401 et seq.
EBE	Cleaning Program
EBA	Insurance Program - KSA 72-8401 et seq.
*EBH	Leasing and Renting - KSA 72-8225 & 55-211; 55-211a
EBA	Liability - KSA 72-8401 et seq.
EBI	Long-Range Maintenance Program
EB	Management
EBJ (See EBI)	Records
EBB	Repairs
EBB	Safety
EBC	Security - KSA 72-8222
KG	Buildings, Use of
	Bus Drivers (See "Noncertified Personnel Positions")
	Buses (See "Student Transportation")
EDAA	Buses, School Owned
EDDA	Buses, Special Use of
*E	Business Management

C

	Cabinets (See "Councils, Cabinets and Committees")
	Cafeteria Workers (See "Noncertified Personnel Positions")
AEA	Calendar
*DJF	Capital Equipment
*DJFA	Purchasing Authority - KSA 10-1113; 72-8212, 75-3315 to 75-3322
JQLA	Caseload Review, Special Education Class-size/Limits for Exceptional Students
	Censorship (See "Public Complaints")
ADA	Census - KSA 72-5333d
IKD	Ceremonies and Observances - KSA 72-5308; 72-5308a
GB	Certified Personnel
GBE	Assignment and Transfer
GBRH	Certified Leaves and Absences
	Sabbaticals

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	Conference and Visitations
	Exchange Teaching
IEB	Charter Schools
GBA	Compensation Guides and Contracts - KSA 72-5412, 72-5412a
GBRGA (See GBR)	Consulting
GAD	Development Opportunities
GBU	Ethics
GBI	Evaluation - KSA 72-9001 et seq.
GBRE (See GBRD)	Additional Duty - KSA 72-5412a
*GBD	Hiring
*HA	Negotiations - KSA 72-5413 et seq.
GBRG	Nonschool Employment
*GBS	Organizations
*GBF	Orientation
GBRI	Personal Leaves and Absences
	Illness
	Religious
	Bereavement
*GBJ	Promotion
*GBT	Publishing
GBBA	Qualifications and Duties
GBC (See GBBA)	Recruitment
GBP (See GBO)	Reemployment
GBO	Resignation
*GBQ	Retirement - KSA 74-4931 et seq.
GBRH	Sabbaticals
GBN	Separation - KSA 72-5435 et seq.
GBRD (See GBR)	Staff Meetings
GBH (See GBE)	Supervision
GBK	Suspension
GBR	Time Schedules
*GBRF	Travel Expenses - KSA 75-3201 et seq., 75-3203, 75-3204
GBRGB (See GBRG)	Tutoring for Pay
*GBRL	Vacations
*ML	Visitors and Observers
GBR	Working Conditions
GBR	Work Load
JGEB	Child Abuse - KSA 21-3609; 39-1523
IIBGA	Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA)
	Citizens Committees (See "Advisory Committees")
	Class Gifts (See "Student Gifts to School")
*IHC	Class Rankings
*IFAC	Classroom Library Materials Selection and Adoption - KSA 72-8205; 72-8212
*IFA	Classroom Materials - KSA 72-8205; 72-8212
IE	Class Size
JQLA	Class-size/Caseload Limits for Exceptional Students
EBE	Cleaning Program - KSA 65-202; 72-8212; 72-1033
	Closed Board Meetings (See "Executive Sessions")
*AFC	Closings, Emergency (See JGFA) - KSA 72-8213; 31-144
AG	Closing Schools - KSA 72-8213, 72-8213(a)

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	Coaches (See "Certified Personnel Positions")
IDA	Cocurricular Activities (See JH) - See KSHSAA By-Laws
	Collective Bargaining (See "Negotiations")
	College Bound Guidance (See "Educational Guidance")
	College Preparatory Program (See "Basic Instructional Program")
MF (See MA)	Colleges and Universities - KSA 72-116
IDCE	College Classes
	Committees
CL	Councils, Cabinets and Committees
BBC	School Board Committees
JGCC	Communicable Diseases - KSA 65-122; 65-118, 72-5208, 72-5210, 72-5211
GAR	Employees
	Community
LB	School-Community Cooperation
LC	School-Community Program
KC	Community-Involvement in Decision Making
	Community Activities
*KEA	Community Activities and Performances
*KEAA	Community Activities and Performances by Students (See JI)
*KEAB	Community Activities and Performances for Students
GAH	Community Activities, Staff Participation
KBE	Community Information Campaigns, Use of Students
	Community Involvement
CMA	Administrative Rules, Community Involvement
*DCCC, KCBC	Budget Planning, Community Involvement
KC	Community Involvement in Decision Making
*BDBC, KCBB	Policy Development, Community Involvement (See BDA)
IFC	Community Resource Persons
KG	Community, Use of School Facilities KSA 72-8212 72-5389-5391
GAH	Community, Staff Relations and District Residency KSA 72-1046; 72-8211
	Compensation
CG	Administrative Personnel Compensation Guides and Contracts - KSA 72-5412
GBA	Certified Personnel Compensation Guides and Contracts
GCA	Noncertified Personnel Compensation Guides and Contracts
*BBBE	School Board Member Compensation - KSA 72-8207 75-3203; 75-3223
BBBF	School Board Member Reimbursement for Expenses
CEE	School Superintendent Compensation and Benefits KSA 72-8202b; 72-5412
	Complaints
BCBI	Handling Complaints (See KN)
GAE	Personnel Complaints and Grievances
KN	Public Complaints (See BCBI)
JCE	Student Complaints and Grievances
JCD	Conduct, Student - KSA 72-8901 et seq.
IIBG	Computer Assisted Instruction and Computer Materials
	Conferences
JFAC (See JFAB)	Parent Conferences

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JFAB	Student Conferences
KBC	News Conferences and Interviews
GBRH	Conferences and Visitations
*GBRHB, CK	Administrative Personnel Conferences and Visitations
*GCRJ	Conferences and Workshops
BCBG, GACCA	Conflicts of Interest - KSA 75-4301 et seq.
BCBG	Abstaining Vote - KSA 72-8205a
	Conservation Education (See "Basic Instructional Program")
	Consultants
CJ, GBRGA	Administrative Consultants
BBG (See CG)	
*FDAA, FEAA	Administrative Consultants, Long-Range and Project Planning
*GGPEA	Administrative Personnel Consulting
GBRGA	Certified Personnel Consulting
BBG	School Board Consultants (See CJ)
GBRGA, CEH	School Superintendent Consulting
JM	Contests for Students - See KSHSAA By-Laws
*EDAC	Contracted Bus Service
	Contracts (See "Compensation")
DJEG	Contracts and Purchasing
KGD	Control, Crowd Disturbances
*BI	Control of School Activities
IKB (See IKA)	Controversial Issues Teaching
	Cooks (See "Noncertified Personnel Positions")
	Coordinators (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
ECH	Copyright
JDA	Corporal Punishment
CL	Councils, Cabinets and Committees
CL	Dissolution
CL	Financial
CL	Liaison
CL	Material
CL	Method of Appointment
CL	Organization
CL	Personnel
CL	Reporting
CL	Resources
CL	Types and Functions
	Counseling (See "Guidance")
CEB	County Treasurer, Effecting agreement with, on interest from school funds - KSA 12-1678a
JGEAA	Crisis Planning
	Crossing Guards (See "Noncertified Personnel Positions")
KGD	Crowd Control
	Culture-Free Tests (See "Test Selection and Adoption")
	Curriculum
IC	Adoption - KSA 72-8205
*ID	Design
IC	Development
IC	Development Resources
IC	Finances
*ICFA	Guides and Course Outlines
IC	Materials

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IC	Personnel
IC	Pilot Project Evaluation
IC	Pilot Projects
IC	Planning
IC	Research
IC	Resources
	Curriculum Libraries (See "Curriculum Development Resources")
	Custodians (See "Noncertified Personnel Positions")
	Custody Record of Student (See "Release of a Student During a School Day")

D

EF	Data Collection and Retrieval Methods - KSA 75-4707, 72-8227, 72-7527, 72-7528, 45-215 et seq.
EF	Data Dissemination
EF	Data Management
AF	Day, School - KSA 72-1106
JCEC	Demonstrations by Students
	Demonstration Schools (See "Pilot Projects")
	Department Chairmen (See Administrative Personnel Positions")
*IEA	Departmentalization
*DG	Depository of Funds - KSA 9-1401; KSA 12-1675
	Desegragation (See "Attendance Areas")
JDB	Detention
	Development Opportunities
CK	Administrative Personnel
*BBBC	School Board Members
*CEG	School Superintendent
GAD	Staff
*IEA	Differentiated Staffing
IHF	Diplomas - KAR 91-31-12(f)
	Directors (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
GBRIBA	Disability Leave
*JD	Discipline - KSA 72-8901 et seq.
	Discrimination - (See Nondiscrimination)
JGFC	Dismissal Precautions
AD	District (School) Attendance Areas - KSA 72-7204l 72-8212
DIC	District (School) Inventory - KSA 72-126 to 72-129
AC	District (School) Organization Plan
*AAAA	District Motto
KGD	Disturbances, At Activities
AF	Double Sessions (See AEBA)
JCDB	Dress Code
JQH	Drop-Outs (See IDCF)
IDA	Drug Education - KSA 65-2892a, 21-4109; 72-8205; 72-8212
GAOB,JDDA,LDD	Drug Free Schools and Communities
GAOA	Drug Free Workplace
GAOD	Drug and Alcohol Testing of bus drivers
JCAA	Due Process - KSA 72-8901 et seq.
JQ	Due Process for Special Education Students

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	KSA 72-977 et seq.; 72-933 et seq.
IDCE	Dual Credit (College)
ECH	Duplicating Services
CEB	Duties
GBBA, GCBA	Duties and Qualifications
GBRE	Duty, Extra - KSA 72-5412a
*HAD	Duty and Rights of Board in Negotiations
	KSA 72-5413 et seq.
	Dyslexia (See "Physically Handicapped Programs")

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E

JFCA	Early Graduation
*MK (See MA)	Educational Agencies Relations
JE	Educational Guidance
IDA	Eligibility, Activities
*AFC	Emergency Closings - KSA 72-8213, 31-144
JGFA	Emergency Drills - KSA 31-133
GBRI, GCRG	Emergency and Legal Leave
*EBGB	Emergency Repairs
DH	Employee Bond - KSA 72-8202d
GAOC	Employee Smoking - KSA 21-4009 et seq.
GACD	Employment Eligibility Verification
JJ	Employment of Students - KSA 38-601 et seq.
JJ	Employment, Outside
JHC	Equal Access - Title VIII
JAA	Equal Educational Opportunities (See GAAA) KSA 44-1030; 44-1031
GAAA (See GAA)	Equal Opportunity Employment - KSA 44-1030; 44-1031
EC	Equipment and Supplies
EC	Equipment Maintenance
*FEDC	Equipment Plans and Specifications
*ECD	Distribution
*ECA	Insurance Program - KSA 72-8401 et seq.
*ECE	Leasing and Renting - KSA 72-8225; 55-211 to 55-211a
EC	Management
EC	Receiving
*ECG	Records
*DFM (See DFG)	Sales - KSA 72-8212
*IFAC	Selection and Adoption
HAHBB	Use by Negotiating Teams - KSA 72-5413 et seq.
*KGB	Use by Public - KSA 72-8205
	Ethics
CB	Administration
GBU	Certified Personnel
BH	School Board Member
	Evaluation - KSA 72-9001; 72-1114 to 72-1116
CGI	Administrative Personnel - KSA 72-9001 et seq.; 72-5451 et seq.
GBI	Certified Personnel - KSA 72-9001 et seq.
*ICD	Curriculum Pilot Project (See IJ, JR et seq.)
IJ	Instructional Program
GCI	Noncertified Personnel
CEI	School Superintendent - KSA 72-9001 et seq.
AF	Evening Sessions (See AEBA)
IDAC	Exceptional Programs
JQ	Exceptional Students - KSA 72-933 et seq.; 72-977
JQKA	Exchange Students
GBRH	Exchange Teaching
BCBK	Executive Sessions (See KB) - KSA 75-4317 et seq.
*DJ	Expenditures of Funds
JDD	Expulsion, Suspension - KSA 72-8901 et seq.
AEB	Extended School Year (See AEBA)
IDA, JH	Extracurricular Activities

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Extra Duty (See "Additional Duty")

F

HAHBA	Facilities, Use by Negotiating Teams - KSA 72-8212(d)
KG, KGA	Facilities, Use by Public - KSA 72-8212(d)
*F	Facility Expansion Program
FA	Goals and Objectives
FDB	Long-Range Needs Determination
FD (See FA)	Long-Range Planning
	Family Life Education (See "Sex Education")
GARI	Family Medical Leave
*LED	Family Night
GAAB	Federal Program Administration
*DFG	Fees, Payments and Rentals - KSA 72-5389 to 72-5391
JS	Fees, Fines and Charges - KSA 72-5389 to 72-5391
IFCB, KFB	Field Trips and Excursions
*IHAA (See IHA)	Final Examinations
EBB	Fire Prevention - KSA 31-150 and 31-133
JGFA	Fire Drills
JGFGA	First Aid
*D	Fiscal Management
*DCB	Fiscal Year - KSA 72-8204; 72-8204(a)
*DIA	Fixed Assets Accounting - KSA 75-1120a
EE	Food Service Management - KSA 72-5112 et seq. 72-5213; 72-5113
EE	Records
EE	Sanitation Inspections
	Foreign Countries, Trips to (See "Field Trips and Excursions")
JQKA	Foreign Exchange Students
JGHA	Free or Reduced Price Lunches
KI	Free Materials Distribution in Schools
	Fringe Benefits (See "Compensation")
*DJ	Fund Expenditure - KSA 79-2925; 79-2934
DK	Fund Raising
CEB	Funds, Agreement About Interest on Funds With County Treasurer - KSA 23-1678a
DFE	Funds, Investment of - KSA 9-1402 et seq.; 17-5002

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	Gate Receipts (See "Fees, Payments and Rentals")
GAJ, JL, KH	Gifts
DFK (See DFG)	Gifts and Bequests - KSA 12-1252; 72-8210; 72-8212
GAJ	Gifts by Staff Members
GAJ, KH, JL	Gifts to Students
KH	Public Gifts to School - KSA 12-1252; 72-8210; 72-8212
JL	Student Gifts to School - KSA 12-1252; 72-8210; 72-8212
JL	Student Gifts to Staff Members
	Goals and Objectives
CA	Administration
DC	Budget - KSA 72-8156; 72-8204; 72-8204a; 72-7053
EA	Business Management
HAB	Certified Personnel Negotiations KSA 72-5413 et seq.
ABE	District
FA	Facility Expansion
DA	Fiscal Management
LA	Organizational Relations
GAA	Personnel Policies - KSA 72-8205
KA	Public Relations
MA	Relations With Other Education Agencies
BA	School Board
JA	Student Policy - KSA 72-8205
	Goods and Services
DJED	Bids and Quotations - KSA 72-6760; 72-8404; 75-3740a
*DJEC	Cooperative Purchasing
DJEB	Cost Control
*DJEBE	Guarantees
*DJEBD	Inspections
DJEE	Local Purchasing
DJEJ	Payment Procedure
DJEG	Purchase Orders and Contracts - KSA 10-1113; 60-1111; 72-6760; 75-3317; 75-3322; 72-8212
DJE	Purchasing - KSA 72-8212
*DJEBB	Purchasing Guides and Vendor Lists
DJEB	Quality Control
DJEB	Quality Purchasing - KSA 72-8212, 10-1113
DJEB	Requisitions
DJEB	Specifications
DJEB	Standardization
*DJEBC	Trial Test and Field Checks
*DJEI	Vendor Relations
JHC	Government, Student
	Grade Level Organization (See "Organization Charts")
IDA	Grade Point Average
IHA	Grading System
JBD	Grades - Reduction
JFC	Graduation - KSA 72-116, KAR 91-31-12(h)
JFCA	Graduation, Early
IHF (See IHEA)	Graduation Requirements - KSA 72-8205, KAR 91-31-12(f), (g), and (h)

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	Grievance Procedures
GAE	Personnel Complaints - KSA 72-5424
JCE	Student Grievance Procedures
	Grounds Management (See "Buildings and Grounds Management")
*IEA	Grouping for Instruction
	Self-Contained Classroom - KSA 72-1113; 79-3606
	Nongraded Schools
	Departmentalization
	Team Teaching
	Differentiated Staffing
	Group Insurance (See "Compensation")
	Growth Development Opportunities (See "Development Opportunities")
JE	Guidance
JE	Educational Guidance
JE	Guidance Program
JE	Personal Guidance
JE	Vocational Guidance
	Guidance Counselors (See "Certified Personnel Positions")

H

BDC	Handbooks, all
JQA	Handicapped Students - KSA 72-933 et seq.; 72-977
BCBI, KN	Handling Complaints
GAAC, JGEC	Harassment, Sexual
GAACA, JGECA	Harassment, Racial
EBBA	Hazardous Waste Inspection and Disposal
	Hazing - KSA 21-3434
IDA	Health Education
*JGCA	Health Examinations, Students - KSA 72-5203; 75-626 72-1204 to 72-1207; 65-122; 72-5204 to 72-5206; 72-5208 to 72-5211
	Health Insurance (See "Compensation")
JGC	Health Services
*EBD	Heating and Lighting
	Hearings (See "Public Hearings")
	Hiring
*CGD	Administrative Personnel
*GBD	Certified Personnel, Teacher Selection
*GCD	Noncertified Personnel
	Holidays - KSA 72-1106, 35-107
GCRI	Noncertified Personnel Paid Holidays
*AEAB	School Holidays - KSA 72-1106
IDA	Homebound Instruction - KSA 72-933 et seq.
JBC	Homeless Students
*JGEA	Home Visits
IHB (See IHA)	Homework
*IHD (See IHA)	Honor Rolls
	Hospitalization Insurance (See "Compensation")
	Human Relations Education (See "Basic Instructional Program")

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I

JBC	Identity of Students
GBRI, GCRG	Illness (Sick Leave)
	Inclement Weather Procedures (See "Dismissal Precautions")
	Incentive Pay System
*GABB	All Personnel
*GBAA	Certified Personnel
*GCAA	Noncertified Personnel
*IEH	Independent Study
KBE (See KB)	Information Campaigns, Use of Students
KB	Information Program
JGCB (See JGC)	Inoculations - KSA 72-5209
GADA	In-Service Education - KSA 72-1106(f)
	Inspections
*DJEBD	Capital Equipment
*DJEBD	Goods and Services
IE	Instructional Arrangements
	Class Size
	Scheduling for Instruction
	Pre-Enrollment
IB	Instructional Program Goals and Objectives
IA	Instructional Program Philosophy
IF	Instructional Resources
IF	Resource Teachers
IF	Services
IF	Textbook Selection and Adoption - KSA 72-8205; 72-4107 et seq.; 10-1113; 79-3606; 72-5386
IF	Use of Textbooks
	Insurance - KSA 72-8401 et seq.
EBA	Buildings and Grounds Insurance Program KSA 72-8401 et seq.
EBA	Employees - KSA 12-2616 et seq.
*ECA	Equipment and Supplies Insurance Program KSA 72-8401 et seq.
	Life, Hospitalization and Medical Insurance (See "Compensation")
JGA	Student Insurance Programs - KSA 72-8401 et seq.
*EDB	Student Transportation Insurance Programs KSA 72-8401 et seq.
	Insurance Appraisals (See "Financial Reports and Statements")
MD (See MA)	Interdistrict Relations
*MDA	Interdistrict Shared Services - KSA 72-933 et seq.; 72-4408 et seq.; 12-2901 et seq.; 72-968; 72-8230
*CEB	Interest, From School Funds With County Treasurer KSA 12-1678a
CG	Intern Program
*L	Interorganizational Relations (Excludes Educational

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Agencies)
JCAC Interrogation and Investigations in the School
JCAC By Police
JCAC By School Officials
IDA Interdistrict Activities - See KSHSAA By-Laws
IDA Interdistrict Athletics - See KSHSAA By-Laws
Interviews With Staff (See "News Conferences and Interviews")
*KBCE Interviews With Students
Intramural Sports (See "Cocurricular Activities")
DIC Inventories - KSA 72-126 to 72-129
Investigations (See "Interrogation and Investigations in the School")
DFE Investment of Funds - KSA 9-1402 et seq.; 17-5002

J

GBRI Jury Duty (See "Leaves and Absences, Legal")

K

EC Keys, equipment

L

KG Leasing and Renting (See DFG; ECE)
KSA 52-211 to 55-211a; 12-1765; 72-8225
Leaves and Absences (See Specific Titles in This Index)
*CGPF, CGPG Administrative Personnel
GBRH, GBRI Certified Personnel
GCRG Noncertified Personnel
GBRI, GCRG Legal (Emergency) Leave
Legal Counsel (See "Attorney")
IKI (See IKH) Lesson Plans
Librarians (See "Certified Personnel Positions")
Library Materials Selection and Adoption (See "School Libraries")
Life Insurance (See "Compensation")
KSA 72-8401 et seq.
CD Line and Staff Relations
GBO Liquidated Damages
*DCCD Local Government, Involvement in Budget Planning
DJEE Local Purchasing - KSA 75-3317 to 75-3322; 72-8212; 10-1113
Locker Searches (See "Searches of Lockers and Students")
Lunch Service (See "Food Service Management")
Lunch Workers (See "Noncertified Personnel Positions")

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M

JGHB	Machines, Automated Playing and Vending
	Maintenance
EBI	Buildings and Grounds Long-Range Maintenance
EC	Equipment Maintenance
	Maintenance Workers (See "Noncertified Personnel Positions")
*IHEA (See IHA)	Make-Up Opportunities
JQF	Married Students
	Media Specialists (See "Certified Personnel Positions")
	Medical Insurance (See "Compensation")
	Medical Leave (See Family Medical Leave)
JGFGB	Medication, Supervision of, to Students
	Meetings
GBRD	Professional Personnel Staff Meetings
*KCC	Public Hearings
*BC	School Board Meetings - KSA 72-8205; 75-4317 to 75-4320
BG (See BE)	Memberships - KSA 72-5326
GBRID, GCRG	Military Leave, U.S. Code, PL 94-286, Title 38, Part III Sec. 2021 et seq.; KSA 48-222; KSA 74-3747; KAR 1-5-1
BCBH	Minutes - KSA 72-8202
	Modular Schedules (See "Local Government")
	Municipal Government (See "Local Government")
JGFF	Motorized Vehicles, Use by Students - KSA 72-9191

N

*H	Negotiations - KSA 72-5413 et seq.
HAL	Announcement of Agreement
HAE (See HAB)	Board Negotiating Agents
*HAD (See HAB)	Board Rights and Duties
*HAD (See HAN)	Boycotts and Strikes
*HA (See HAA)	Certified Personnel Negotiations
*HAH (See HAA)	Certified Personnel Negotiating Organization
HAA	Legal Status of Negotiations
HAJ	Preliminary Agreement
HAK (See HAJ)	Ratification Procedures
*HAHBC (See HAB)	School Time Use in Negotiations
HAC (See HAB)	Scope of Negotiations
HAF (See HAB)	Superintendent's Role
*HAHA (See HAB)	Team Selection Method
HAHBA (See HAB)	Use of School Facilities
HAHBB (See HAB)	Use of School Equipment
HAI	Negotiations Meeting Procedure - KSA 72-5413 et seq.
HAI	Agenda Notification
HAI	Distribution of Information
HAI	Minutes and Records

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HAI	Notification
HAI	Quorum
HAI	Reporting to Press and Public
HAI	Reporting to Staff and Board
HAI	Research Assistance
HAI	Rules of Order
HAI	Time and Place
HAI	Time Limits
	Neighborhood Schools (See "Attendance Areas")
GACCA	Nepotism
*FDC	New Facilities Naming
JBC	New Resident Students - KSA 72-1046
BBBB	New Board Member Orientation
	News Coverage
BCBJ, KBCC	Board Meetings News Coverage - KSA 75-4317 et seq.
KBC	News Conferences and Interviews
KBC (See KB)	News Media Relations
KBC	News Releases
KBCD	Sports and Special Events News Coverage
	See KSHSAA By-Laws
	Noncertified Personnel
GCE	Assignment and Transfer
GCA	Compensation Guides and Contracts
GCI	Evaluation
*GCD	Hiring
GCRG	Leaves and Absences
GCRF	Non-School Employment
*GCF	Orientation
*GCRD	Overtime Pay
GCRI	Paid Holidays - KSA 72-1106; 35-107
*GCB	Positions
*GCG	Probation
*GCJ	Promotion
GCBA (See GCB)	Qualifications and Duties
GCC (See GCB)	Recruitment
*GCP	Reemployment
GCO (See GCH)	Resignation
*GCQ	Retirement
*GCN	Separation
GCH	Supervision
GCK (See GCH)	Suspension
GCR	Time Schedules
*GCRE	Travel Expenses
GCRH	Vacations
GCR	Working Conditions
GCR	Work Load
GAAA	Nondiscrimination
*IEA	Nongraded Schools
JBC	Nonresident Students - KSA 72-6757; 72-7201 et seq.
	Non-School Employment
GBRG, GCPE	Administrative Personel
GCRF	Noncertified Personnel
GBRG	Professional Personnel
IFCB, KFB	Non-School Supported Trips

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O

	Objectives (See "Goals and Objectives")
	Order of Business (See "Agenda")
*L	Organizational Relations
LA	Organizational Relations Goals and Objectives
	Organizational Charts
*CC	Administration
*CCCC	School Building
*CCA	School District
*CCB	School District Departmental
	Organization of Grade Levels (See "Organization Charts")
	Orientation
CG	Administrative Personnel
*GBF	Certified Personnel
BBBB	New School Board Members
*GCF	Noncertified Personnel
*GCRD	Overtime Pay - KSA 44-1201 to 44-1213
	(See Fair Labor Standards Act)

P

JFAC (See JFAB)	Parent Conferences
*KMA	Patron/Parent Visitors to the Schools - KSA 21-3721
JCDA	Paraprofessionals and Teacher's Aides
*BBABF (See BCBF)	Parliamentary Procedure - KSA 72-8205
BCBG	Abstaining Vote
	Parochial Schools (See "Private School Relations")
IDE	Partnership Program
CG	Part-Time Administrators
DJEJ (See DJEE)	Payment Procedures (See DFG)
*DJC	Payroll Procedures
	Pensions (See "Retirement")
GAM	Personal Appearance
JE	Personal Guidance
	Personal Leaves (See specific titles in this Index)
CG	Administrative Personnel
*GB	Certified Personnel
*GC	Noncertified Personnel
*G	Personnel
GAE	Personnel Complaints and Grievances
	Personnel Director (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
GAK	Personnel Records
DJB	Petty Cash Accounts - KSA 72-8208
	Physical Education (See "Basic Instructional Program")
	Physical Examinations (See "Health Examinations")
JQA	Physically Handicapped Students - KSA 72-933 et seq. 72-977

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*ICD	Pilot Projects
IB	Planning for Quality Education
DB	Planning Programming Budgeting System
DB	Program Structure
ING	Plants and Animals in the School
	Policy Development - KSA 72-8205
CMA	Administration in Policy Absence (See DJFAB)
BDC	Policy Adoption - KSA 72-8205, 72-8212
*BDBA	Policy Development, Attorney Involvement (See BDA)
*BDBC	Policy Development, Community Involvement (See BDA)
BDA,	Policy Development, Staff Involvement (See CMA)
*BDBD	Policy Development, Student Involvement (See BDA, JCB)
BDA	Policy Development System Adoption
BDC	Policy Dissemination
*BDB	Policy Drafting
*BDAA	Policy Draft Writer
CM, BD	Policy Implementation
BDC	Policy Review
GAHB	Political Activities by Staff
KI	Political Campaign Materials Distribution
GACA	Positions
	Administrative Personnel
	Noncertified Personnel
	Professional Personnel
JQI	Post Secondary Students
*MFB	Practice Teaching - KSA 72-1392
JQE	Pregnant Students
	Press Service
*BCBJA, KBCCA	School Board Meeting - KSA 72-8205, 75-4517 et seq.
KBCD (See KB)	Sports and Special Events - See KSHSAA By-Laws
	Principals (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
ECH	Printing and Duplicating Services
	Probation
*CGG	Administrative Personnel
GBG	Professional Personnel
JDC (See JDB)	Students
HAI	Procedural Agreement - KSA 72-5413 et seq.
HAI	Agenda Notification
HAI	Distribution of Information
HAI	Minutes and Records
HAI	Notification
HAI	Quorum
HAI	Reporting to Press and Public
HAI	Reporting to Staff and Board
HAI	Research Assistance
HAI	Rules of Order
HAI	Time and Place
HAI	Time Limits
*BBABF	Procedure (Parliamentary) - KSA 72-8205
HAK	Procedures in Ratification - KSA 72-5413 et seq.
	Program Development (See "Curriculum Development")
	Program Development Officer (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
	Promotion of Staff

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*CGJ	Administrative Personnel
*GBJ	Certified Personnel
*GCJ	Noncertified Personnel
JFB	Promotion and Retention of Students
DJEJ	Prompt Payment - KSA 75-6401 et seq.
JBC	Proof of Identity
*DO	Properties Disposal Procedure - KSA 72-8212
JS	Property Damage Claims
*DFN	Property Sales - KSA 72-8212
JGD	Psychological Services - KSA 72-961 et seq.
*JGDA	Psychological Testing - KSA 72-961 et seq.
*GAHC, KDB	Public Appearances by Staff
KN	Public Complaints
KN	About Curriculum
KN	About Instructional Materials
KN	About School Facilities and Services
KN	About School Personnel
KH	Public Gifts - KSA 12-1252; 72-8210, 72-8212
BCAE, DC	Public Hearings
	Public Information Officer (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
KB	Public Information Program
BCBI, KCA	Public Participation at Board Meetings
*K	Public Relations, General
KK	Public Sale on School Property
JI	Public Service, Student
*KL	Public Use of School Records - KSA 45-216
KG, KGA	Public Use of School Facilities - KSA 72-8205d
KGC	Public Use of School Employee Services
KB	Public's Right to Know - KSA 75-4317 et seq.
*GBT	Publishing
JDA	Punishment, Corporal
	Purchasing - KSA 75-3317 to 75-3322; 72-8212; 10-1113
DJE (See DJB)	Agent
DJE (See DJB)	Authority
DJEG (See DJEE)	Purchase Orders and Contracts - KSA 10-1113; 60-1111; 72-6760; 75-3317 to 75-3322; 72-8212

Q

GACB	Qualifications and Duties
DJEB	Quality Control
DJEB	Cost Control
DJEB	Quantity Purchasing
DJEB	Requisitions
DJEB	Specifications
DJEB	Standardization
	Quality Purchasing
*DJFCB	Capital Equipment
*DJFCB	Goods and Services
*BCBFA	Quorum - KSA 72-8205
DJED	Quotations and Bids Requirements - KSA 72-6760; 72-8404;

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	Racial Balance (See "Attendance Areas")
GAACA	Racial Harassment-Employees
JGECA	Racial Harassment-Students
*IHC	Ranking of Students
JBG	Readmission of Students - KSA 72-8901 et seq.
EC	Receiving Equipment and Supplies
	Records
CN	Administrative
*EBJ (See EBI)	Buildings and Grounds (See CN)
GAK	Central Office (See CN)
GAK	Disposition (See CN) - KSA 72-5369 to 72-5373
*ECG	Equipment and Supplies
*FGI	Facility Expansion Project Records and Reports
GAK	Personnel
GAK	Public Use (See CN) - KSA 45-215-216
BE	School Board - KSA 10-1117 to 10-1118
JR	Student - KSA 72-5386; 72-6214
EE	Student Lunch Service - KSA 72-5112 et seq. 72-5213
EDAA	Student Transportation - KSA 72-8301 et seq.
GAK	Types
	Recruitment
CG	Administrative Personnel
GACC (See GACB)	Certified Personnel
GACC (See GCB)	Noncertified Personnel
CEC	School Superintendent
GBQA	Reduction of Teaching Staff
	Reemployment
GBP (See GBO)	Certified Personnel
*GCP	Noncertified Personnel
	Regulations (See "Administrative Rules")
*M	Relations With Other Educational Agencies
GBO	Release from Contract
JBH	Release of a Student During the School Day
IKD	Religion in the Schools (See IKC)
IKD	Beliefs and Customs
IKD	Holidays - KSA 72-5308
IKD	Religion in the Curriculum
IKD	Dedications and Commencement
IKD (See IKA)	Silent Meditation - KSA 72-5308a
IKC	Religion, Teaching About
JB	Religious Exemption from Compulsory School Attendance
GBRI, GCRG	Religious Leave
*IDDB	Remedial Programs - KSA 72-933 et seq.
*BBH	Remembrances
	Rentals (See "Fees, Payments and Rentals")
	Renting (See "Leasing and Renting")
EBE	Repairs
*JF	Report Cards
	Reports
CO	Administrative Reports

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CO	Dissemination
*BE	School Board Annual Reports
CO	Types
DJEF (See DJEE)	Requisitions
	Research Director (See "Administrative Personnel Positions")
GAH	Residency for Staff - KSA 72-8211
JBC	Resident Students - KSA 72-1046
	Resignations
GBO, CGN	Administrative Personnel
GBO	Certified Personnel
GCO	Noncertified Personnel
CEK	School Superintendent (See GBO)
IFBH	Resource Speakers
IF	Resource Teachers
	Retarded Students (See "Mentally Handicapped Students")
JFB	Retention of Students
*GAQ	Retirement - KSA 72-1701 et seq.; 72-5501 et seq.; 74-4931 et seq.
	Administrative Personnel
	Certified Personnel
	Noncertified Personnel
*CEL	School Superintendent (See GBQ)
*DF	Revenues - KSA 72-8156, 72-8204a
*BDF	Review of Administrative Rules (See CMA)
EBCA	Rewards, For Information About Vandalism - KSA 12-1672a
	Rules
CMA	Administrative Rules (See CM)
CMA	Adoption
BCBF	Rules of Order - KSA 72-8205

S

	Sabbaticals
*CGPFA	Administrative Personnel
GBRH	Certified Personnel
	Safety - KSA 31-133
EBB	Buildings and Grounds Safety Inspections
JGF	Student Safety
EDAA	Student Transportation Safety - KSA 72-8301 et seq.
EDAA	Student Transportation Safety Inspections KSA 72-8301 et seq.
EBB	Warning Systems - KSA 31-133
GAL	Salary Deductions - KSA 72-8601; 72-8603
	Sales
DFM	Equipment and Supplies - KSA 72-8212
KK	Public Sales on School Property
	Salesman (See "Vendor Relations")
HAN	Sanctions
EBE	Sanitation
	Schedules, Time
CG	Administrative Personnel

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GBR	Certified Personnel
GCR	Noncertified Personnel
	Scheduling
IE	Scheduling for Instruction
EDAA	Student Transportation Scheduling and Routing - KSA 72-8301 et seq.
JBC	School Admissions - KSA 72-6757; 72-53,106
*B	School Board Operations
*BBF, KCBA	Advisory Committees (See BBC)
BE	Annual Reports (See CO)
BBE	Attorney - KSA 72-8205
	Budget (See "Budget")
BBC	Committees
KC	Community Relations
BBG	Consultants
BH	Ethics
BA	Goals and Objectives
*BB	Internal Organization
	Meetings (See "School Board Meetings")
	Members ("See School Board Members")
BG	Memberships - KSA 72-5326
HAE (See HAB, BDN)	Negotiating Agents - KSA 72-5413 et seq.
*HAD (See HAB)	Negotiation Rights and Duties - KSA 72-5413 et seq.
*B	Operations
*BD	Policy Development (See CM)
*ABB	Powers and Duties - KSA 72-8205; 72-8212; 72-1623
BE	Records - KSA 10-1117 to 10-1118; 45-216 et seq.; 72-5369 et seq.
*BBD, CF	School Superintendent Relations (See BBC)
	School Board Meetings - KSA 72-8205
BCBG	Abstaining Vote - KSA 72-8205a
*BCAD	Adjourned Meetings - KSA 72-8205
*BCBD	Agenda - KSA 75-4317 et seq .
*BCAA	Annual Meetings - KSA 72-8205
BCBJ	Broadcasting and Taping - KSA 75-4317 et seq.
BCBK	Executive Sessions (See KB) - KSA 75-4317 et seq.
*BCB	Meeting Procedures - KSA 72-8205
BCBH	Minutes - KSA 72-8202
BCBJ	News Coverage - KSA 75-4317 et seq.
*BBABF	Parliamentary Procedure - KSA 72-8205
*BCBJA	Press Services
BCAE	Public Hearings
BCBI	Public Participation
*BCBFA	Quorum - KSA 72-8205
BCBJ, BCAB	Regular Meetings - KSA 72-8205
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A District Authority A

The governance of the district shall be vested in the board.

Home Rule

The board shall have authority to conduct district business without specific statutory delegation. The board may transact all school district business and adopt policies the board deems appropriate to perform its constitutional duty to maintain, develop and operate local public schools.

Adopted: USD 377 BOE – 07/10/2019

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RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH HOME RULE BY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. President, I move the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 377, Atchison County, Kansas, has determined that the exercise of powers granted by the legislature is of benefit to the board and local patrons; and

WHEREAS, Kansas law authorizes the board to transact all school district business; and

WHEREAS, the board intends to adopt policies that the board deems appropriate to perform its constitutional duty to maintain, develop and operate local public schools; and

WHEREAS, the board acknowledges that the power granted by law shall not be construed to relieve the board from any obligations to comply with state law; and

WHEREAS, the board acknowledges that the powers granted by law and this resolution shall not be construed to relieve any other unit of government of its duties and responsibilities prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, the board acknowledges that the powers granted by law do not create any responsibility on the part of the district to assume the duties or responsibilities that are required of another unit of government;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 377, Atchison County, Kansas, that the board shall exercise the power granted by law and by this resolution.

ADOPTED by the Board of Education of Unified School District 377, Atchison County, Kansas, the 14th day of July, 2014.

See Key [N] See Key /s/

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ABE **District Goals and Objectives** (See BK) **ABE**

The board shall annually establish and review long-range goals and objectives to guide district operations. All district personnel shall direct their efforts toward achieving district goals and objectives. The superintendent shall give the board periodic reports on progress made towards achieving district goals.

The board shall participate in long-range planning through an annual meeting with the superintendent and designated staff to review progress on the implementation of board priorities, initiatives, and long-range plans. The board also shall consider and act upon objectives and major activities proposed by the superintendent to achieve district goals.

The superintendent shall develop necessary procedures to implement this policy.

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AC School District Grade Levels AC

The district will be organized on a PK-K, 1-6, 7-12 basis.

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AD District Attendance Areas (See AG) **AD**

The board shall review school attendance areas as needed and make changes as warranted.

The superintendent shall, annually, or as needed, prepare a written report for the board concerning changes recommended for school attendance areas for the next school year and the reasons for the recommendations. The board shall consider the recommendations following receipt of the report. The recommended changes shall be made available to district patrons. The board may schedule a public hearing to seek input on the proposed changes.

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AE School Year **AE**

The board shall provide a school year consisting of not less than:

(1) The minimum number of statutorily required school days for students K-12, consisting of not less than 2 1/2 hours for kindergarten students and 6 hours for students in grades 1-12; or

(2) The minimum number of statutorily required school hours for students in grades K-12.

Virtual Schools

If the board sponsors a virtual school, it shall comply with all current regulations of the Kansas State Department of Education and the school district.

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AEA School Calendar **AEA**

The board shall establish a calendar for each school year. On or before April board meeting each year, the superintendent shall present a recommended school calendar for the next school year. District customs, community interest, legal holidays, staff recommendations and other relevant matters shall be considered. A copy of the current calendar shall be on file in the clerk's office.

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AEB School Year and Learning Opportunities AEB

(See AE, JBD, JBE, JCDA, and JDD)

Prolonged or Shortened School Year - The board may prolong or shorten the regular academic year. The superintendent shall be responsible for preparing a plan and presenting it to the board, as necessary. The board may prolong or shorten the regularly scheduled academic year because of the following types of circumstances which are stated by way of illustration and not by way of limitation: adverse weather conditions, building maintenance problems, personnel problems, public health reasons, or budgetary problems.

Should the school year be shortened by board action, the board must take steps to ensure the school term provided includes at least the minimum number of days or hours required by Kansas law.

Additional Learning Opportunities for Students - The board may require additional learning opportunities for students not meeting minimum academic or behavioral standards as defined by the board or as outlined in board policy and/or handbook language. Students may be assigned to additional academic sessions taking place:

- before- or after-school;
- on Saturday; and/or
- during the summer.

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Truancy laws, suspension and expulsion policies and law, and all appropriate portions of the student behavior code shall apply during additional academic sessions.

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AF School Day **AF**

Except as otherwise provided in the negotiated agreement for staff members covered thereby, the board shall establish the time of beginning and of ending the school day and other time schedules.

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AG Closing School Buildings (See AD) AG

Upon request of the board, the superintendent shall present to the board plans for efficient use of all school attendance centers. The board reserves the right to close school building(s) as provided for in current law.

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SN The organizational meeting of the board, usually once a year, when the board elects its officers.

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*BD Policy Development (See CM) - KSA 72-8205

BDA Policy Development System Adoption

*BDAA Policy Draft Writer (See BDA)

SN The person designated by the board, often an administrator, who is responsible for recasting group consensus about policy recommendations into acceptable prose for further deliberation and/or action.

*BDB Policy Drafting (Also BDAA) (See BDA)

SN The ongoing process of planning, gathering information, and preparing recommendations relative to the need for new policies and/or the revision and repeal of existing policies.

*BDBA Attorney Involvement (See BDA)

*BDBB Staff Involvement (Also GAC) (See BDA)

*BDBC Community Involvement (See BDA)

*BDBD Student Involvement (Also JCB) (See BDA)

BDC Policy Adoption - KSA 72-8205; 72-8212

SN The official action of the board that makes new and/or revised policy statements operable.

BDC Policy Dissemination

BDC Policy Review

SN The periodic assessment by the board of its

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BA Goals and Objectives **BA**

USD 377 Strategic Directions –

Academic Excellence

Goal 1 – Each student will demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies and meet district graduation requirements.

Safe Learning Environment

Goal 2 – The district and community will work together to provide a safe learning environment.

Community Schools

Goal 3 – The district will work in partnership with students, parents, patrons, and the overall community at-large to develop effective means to promote all district efforts.

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BBBB **New Member Orientation** **BBBB**

The superintendent, current board members and principals shall conduct an orientation program to acquaint new board members with board policy, district operations, and procedures. The orientation shall also describe the duties and responsibilities of board members, the superintendent, the clerk. Newly elected and newly appointed board members shall be encouraged to attend workshops for new board members.

Prior to the time they officially take office, newly elected board members shall be invited to attend all board meetings, except when the board is in executive session. (See BCBK) They shall receive copies of all agendas, reports and other communications received by current board members except information or material of a confidential nature.

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BBBF Reimbursement for Expenses BBBF

No board member shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred for any travel unless the travel has been approved by the board. Board members who provide their own transportation shall be reimbursed for each mile actually traveled in attending board meetings and in the performance of district business. Any payments to board members must be in the form of a reimbursement for amounts previously paid by the board member, and receipts shall be provided by the board member in accordance with the provisions of GAN.

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BBC **Board Committees** (See CF) **BBC**

The board shall operate at all times as a committee of the whole.

There shall be no standing or temporary board committees except as provided for in this policy. Board members may serve on committees which advise the board.

Sub-committees of the board may be assigned on a temporary basis and shall consist of no more than three board members. Board subcommittees are subject to the open meetings law.

Advisory Committees

After considering administrative recommendations, the board may establish advisory committees. The type and function of each advisory committee shall be dictated by district needs. After considering recommendations of the superintendent and other members of the administrative staff, the board shall appoint all members of board advisory committees.

No financial assistance shall be furnished any committee without prior board approval. The superintendent shall monitor each committee's progress and relay information to the board. As requested, each committee shall report in writing to the superintendent and/or the board.

The board may dissolve any advisory committee at any time. No committee shall exist longer than one year unless reappointed by board action.

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BBE **Attorney** **BBE**

The board shall appoint an attorney to handle legal matters referred by the board.

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BBG **Consultants** (See CJ) **BBG**

The board may use consultants to advise the board. Neither the superintendent nor any staff member is authorized to engage a consultant for pay without prior board approval.

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BCAC **Special Meetings (See BCBF)** **BCAC**

Special meetings may be called at any time by the president of the board or by joint action of any three board members. Written notice, stating the time and place of any special meeting and the purpose for which the meeting has been called shall, unless waived, be given to each board member at least two calendar days in advance of the special meeting. No business other than that stated in the notice may be transacted at the special meeting.

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W A I V E R O F N O T I C E

I hereby waive the written notice required under the provisions of K.S.A. 72-1138 as to the time, place, and purpose of a special meeting of the Board of Education of Unified School District No. ___, State of Kansas, held on

_____, 20__.

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Member, Board of Education

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Attest:

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Clerk, Board of Education
Unified School District No. ___
_____ County
State of Kansas

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BCAE **Public Hearings** (See BCBI) **BCAE**

The board may hold public hearings on matters which the board deems appropriate.

Public hearings will be held at a convenient time and a suitable place.

The board president or vice-president shall preside at public hearings and shall request every participant to state name, residence and purpose for speaking. After a hearing is called to order the board may delegate another individual to run the actual hearing.

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BCBD Agenda **BCBD**

The board shall adopt an agenda at the beginning of each meeting. The superintendent shall distribute background material concerning agenda items to all board members prior to each meeting, which then shall be referred to as the annotated agenda.

The board agenda shall be compiled by the superintendent in cooperation with the board president. Other board members may request items to be placed on the agenda. The agenda may include a period of time when the public may speak to the board.

The annotated agenda shall be sent to all board members at least three calendar days prior to any regular board meeting.

The agenda format may include:

- monthly reports to the board;
- a consent agenda containing routine business and information items;
- financial reports including monthly listing of bills ready for payment;
- important correspondence;
- bids, specifications;
- attendance center reports; and
- requests for hearings and other such information

Other items and reports may be added to the agenda.

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BCBF **Rules of Order** (See BCBH) **BCBF**

The board shall be governed by laws and rules adopted by the board. Robert's Rules of Order shall not be adopted by the board.

The president (or vice president in the absence of the president) shall preside at all meetings. The president shall present each agenda item for discussion or designate the superintendent or other staff member to present the agenda item. If both president and vice president are absent, the members present shall elect a president *pro tempore* who shall serve only for that meeting or for that part of the meeting in which the president and vice president are absent.

Any board member who wishes to make a motion, second a motion, or discuss pending business shall first secure recognition of the board president.
All formal board actions shall be taken by ordinary motions unless a formal resolution is required by law.

It shall not be necessary for a motion to be before the board to discuss an agenda item which has been presented by the board president for consideration. In the ordinary course of events, the board shall discuss all matters other than routine procedural questions prior to the making of a motion so reaching of consensus may be facilitated.
The following motions shall be in order:

- To recess;

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- To take action;

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BCBG Voting Method **BCBG**

The board shall take action by way of motions. No motion may be acted upon until it has been seconded by a board member. The vote on all motions shall be by "yes" and "no" and will be taken by a show of hands or other public voting method. Following each vote, the president shall announce the motion carried or failed by a vote of ___ affirmative votes to ___ negative votes. The minutes shall indicate whether a motion passed or failed. Each board member shall have the privilege of explaining any vote.

Any abstaining vote shall be counted as a "no" vote. (See KSA 72-1138)

Any member may declare a conflict of interest in a particular issue and shall leave the meeting room until discussion and voting on the matter is concluded. The minutes shall note that a particular member has declared a conflict of interest and left. The minutes shall also record the time the member left the meeting and when the member returned to the board meeting.

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BCBH Minutes **BCBH**

Accurate minutes of each board meeting shall be taken and transcribed. The clerk shall be responsible for taking and transcribing minutes of each board meeting. The board shall designate an acting clerk if the clerk is absent. Neither the superintendent nor a board member may serve as acting clerk. Unofficial minutes shall be sent to the board as soon as possible after each meeting. The board shall review minutes of each meeting as soon as practicable, shall make any corrections or changes required to make the minutes accurately reflect board actions taken, and then approve the minutes as presented or changed.

The minutes shall clearly reflect all motions voted on by the board, including board actions taken on motions which did not pass. The minutes will not contain a summary of each statement, either written or oral, made by a board member, a guest or a member of the staff unless the board chooses to have written remarks made part of the minutes. If a request is made, the board may direct the clerk to attach a copy of the written remarks to the original minutes.

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BCBI Public Participation at Board Meetings BCBI

Open Forum - The president or presiding officer may ask patrons attending if they would like to speak during the open forum. Rules for the public forum will be available from the clerk prior to the board meeting and at the meeting itself. The board president may impose a limit on the time a visitor may address the board. The board president may ask groups with the same interest to appoint a spokesperson to deliver the group's message. Except to ask clarifying questions, board members shall not interact with speakers at the open forum.

Hearing of Audience Rules:

- Presentations shall not exceed 5 minutes.
- Subjects, other than policy issues, will generally be referred to the administration.
- Comments shall be limited to issues and not refer to personalities.
- Presentations must be in good taste befitting the occasion and the dignity of the board meeting.
- When addressing the board, please be reminded that matters of a personal nature which, by their nature, identify an individual are prohibited by federal law in public discussion. Please assist us in protecting the privacy rights of students and staff.

The Board President shall be responsible for recognizing any speaker, maintaining proper order, and adhering to the set time limit. The President may interrupt or terminate an individual's statement if it is disruptive, not

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germane to the business or activities of the Board, or in violation of Kansas Statutes regarding meetings or activities of the Board.

The Board President may deny any individual speaking privileges if previous conduct of the individual has indicated that the orderly conduct of a meeting may be threatened by that person's appearance. The President has the option to stop the proceedings and poll the Board to determine if a speaker may continue.

During an open session, the Board shall not hear personal attacks, or rude or defamatory remarks of any kind about any employee or student of the School District or any person connected with the School District. The Board will also not accept public comments containing vulgar or obscene language. Any individual wishing to make a complaint about school personnel shall submit the complaint in writing to the Superintendent. If the complaint involves the Superintendent it shall be submitted in writing to the President of the Board.

Patron-Requested Agenda Items - Any patron may request addition of a specific agenda item and shall notify the superintendent seven days prior to the meeting and state the reason(s) for the request. The superintendent shall determine whether the request can be solved by staff without the patron's appearance before the board. If not, the superintendent shall consult with the board president, and the patron's request may be placed on the next regular board meeting agenda.

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Handling Complaints (See KN) - The superintendent may refer complaints to the board only if a satisfactory adjustment cannot be made by a principal, the superintendent, or other appropriate staff members.

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USD #377 Atchison County Community Schools

Request to Add an Agenda Item

This form must be completed and returned to the clerk or the superintendent at least **7** days before the meeting at which you wish to speak. Your request will be reviewed, and one of two recommendations will be made:

1. Referral of your request to the appropriate administrator.
2. Decision by the Board of Education to add as agenda item.

- Presentations shall not exceed **5** minutes.
- Subjects, other than policy issues, will generally be referred to the administration.
- Comments shall be limited to issues and not refer to personalities.
- Presentations must be in good taste befitting the occasion and the dignity of the board meeting.
- Typed copy or an outline of your presentation **should** be included with this request form.

Permission to appear before the board at a regular meeting is subject to the above rules.

Name _____

Address _____Telephone _____

Individual or organization (if any) you represent _____
_____

Organization's address _____

Signature _____Date_____

District official's signature _____

Date received _____ Time received _____

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BCBJ **News Coverage** **BCBJ**

The board may provide accommodations for members of the news media present at board meetings. The superintendent may provide copies of the board agenda to news media prior to each board meeting upon request or as required by law. At an appropriate time, the board or superintendent may explain board action.

Use of cameras, photographic lights, and recording devices at any board meeting shall be allowed subject to reasonable rules, which are designed to ensure orderly conduct. All recording devices, including microphones, shall be kept in an area designated for the media. Use of recording devices shall not interfere with or disrupt the meeting. No cameras or recording devices shall be allowed at executive sessions of the board.

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BCBK Executive Session **BCBK**

(See BBBB, BE, CN, CNA, ECA, IDAE, II, JDD, and JRB)

The board shall conduct executive sessions only as provided by law, specifically the Kansas Open Meetings Act ("KOMA").

Sample Motion

Motions to recess into executive session may be constructed as follows. "I move that the board go into executive session to [fill in subject(s)] pursuant to [fill in justification from 1-7 enumerated below] and that the open meeting shall resume at [fill in time] in the board room.

A subject of executive session would be the matter or issue presented for discussion, and the board member must include a brief description of the subject(s) to be discussed in the motion while still protecting important privacy interests. For example, the subject could be to discuss an individual employee's performance, to hold a student discipline appeal hearing, to discuss potential litigation with our legal counsel, and/or any other matters as would appropriately fit under the justification to be utilized.

Acceptable justifications for recessing into executive session include the following:

1) The non-elected personnel exception under KOMA;

2) The exception for matters which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship under KOMA;

3) The exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA;

4) The exception for data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships under KOMA;

5) The exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA;

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6) The exception for preliminary discussion of the acquisition of real property under KOMA;

7) The exception under KOMA for school security matters to ensure the security of the school, its buildings, and/or its systems is not jeopardized.

NO BINDING ACTION SHALL BE TAKEN DURING CLOSED OR EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

When a motion is made to go into executive session, all blanks in the sample motion must be filled in.

The time the board will return to the open meeting and the room in which the meeting will resume will be specifically stated. If necessary, the executive session may be extended with another motion made after the board returns to open session.

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BDA Developing and Adopting Policy BDA

The board shall adopt all new policies and delete or modify existing policies. Board policies, rules and regulations may be amended at any board meeting by a majority vote of the board. All handbooks shall be approved by the board and adopted, by reference, as a part of these policies and rules. (See GAA and JA)

Drafting Policy

The superintendent shall draft all recommended policy changes, including new policy recommendations. The superintendent may involve appropriate staff members, patrons or students when revising or drafting new policy.

Attorney Involvement

Board policies and rules may be submitted to the legal counsel to determine their legality before they are submitted to the board.

Policy Dissemination

Changes in board policy shall be disseminated to all holders of policy books/CD's and others as appropriate. The superintendent shall develop a procedure to ensure appropriate dissemination and the destruction of obsolete policies. Each attendance center shall have a current policy book or CD, or access to a book or CD. A policy book shall also be kept in the central business office. Each board member shall maintain a policy book, and the

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superintendent may also designate additional staff members who shall be furnished a policy book.

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Historical Policy Files

The clerk shall keep an historical set of board policies which will reflect all revisions, amendments or other actions pertaining to every policy and rule.

Public Input on Policy

Individuals or groups may submit proposed changes in board policy.

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BE **School Board Records** (See CN) **BE**

(See BCBK, CN, CYA, ECA, II, and KBA)

The board shall keep records necessary to document board actions. (CN)

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BG Memberships **BG**

The board may maintain membership in the Kansas Association of School Boards and, if a member of KASB, may join and participate in the activities of the National School Boards Association.

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BK Board Self-Evaluation BK

The board shall conduct an annual self-evaluation. Each board member shall use a self-evaluation instrument to appraise individual performance or the performance of the board as a whole. Results of these evaluations shall be discussed at least annually, and revised standards and priorities shall be developed to guide the board's development in the coming year.

The board considers the following conditions crucial to self-evaluation:

1. Board members should be involved in developing the standards and process to be used.

The standards may include, but not be limited to:

- educational leadership;
- policy development;
- board member development and performance;
- relationships with the superintendent and other staff members;
- communications with the public;
- fiscal management;
- board meeting organization and committee performance;
- relations with cooperating agencies and other governmental organizations.

2. Evaluation shall be at a scheduled time and place with all board members present.
3. The evaluation shall be a composite of the individual board members' opinion.
4. The evaluation shall discuss strengths as well as areas needing improvement.

The evaluation results shall be discussed in detail, and the board shall formulate a series of objectives for the coming year. These objectives shall be stated in the form of behavioral change or productivity gains.

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CA **Goals and Objectives of School Administration** **CA**

The goal of school administration is to create an environment in which all students can demonstrate continuous academic improvement. The superintendent must possess leadership qualities which motivate all staff members to improve the educational program and to attain the board's goals and objectives. The superintendent, with the board's direction, shall endeavor to mobilize and coordinate available resources to develop an educational program designed to maintain continuous academic improvement and full state accreditation in all schools.

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CB Administrator Ethics CB

An administrator's professional behavior must conform to an ethical code. The administrator acknowledges schools belong to the public and they must provide educational opportunities to all. An administrator's actions will be viewed and appraised by the community, professional associates, and students. Therefore, the administrator subscribes to the following standards:

The administrator:

- Makes the well-being of students the basis for decision making and action;
- Fulfills professional responsibilities with honesty and integrity;
- Supports the principle of due process as required by law;
- Obeys local, state and national laws;
- Implements all board policies, rules and regulations;
- Pursues appropriate measures to correct those laws, policies and regulations that are not consistent with sound educational goals;
- Avoids using an administrative position for personal gain;
- Accepts academic degrees or professional certificates only from duly accredited institutions;
- Seeks to improve the profession through research and continuing professional development; and
- Honors employment contracts until fulfillment or release.

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CD **Administrative Line and Staff Relations** (See CC and GACB) **CD**

All administrators are ultimately responsible to the board. Within the limits of policy and terms of the job description, the superintendent's administrative subordinates have full authority to administer district programs.

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CE Superintendent of Schools CE

The superintendent is the school system's administrative leader and shall have, under the board's direction, general supervision of all the schools. The superintendent is accountable to the board and is responsible for managing the schools in compliance with board policies

The superintendent may delegate powers and duties to other school personnel. Delegating power or duties, however, shall not relieve the superintendent of responsibility for any action taken.

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Superintendent Qualifications

The superintendent shall possess, or be eligible for, a Kansas district leadership license.

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CEB Superintendent's Duties CEB

The superintendent shall be responsible to:

- serve as the district's chief administrator;
- carry out all board policies and rules;
- oversee safe and orderly schools;
- ensure student achievement for all student groups;
- build positive school/community relations;
- lead the board in developing constructive board/superintendent relations;
- oversee effective and efficient staff performance;
- practice responsible fiscal, facility and resource management; and
- model positive professional attributes.

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CEC **Superintendent Recruitment** **CEC**

The superintendent search presents the board with an opportunity to recruit individuals who will implement the board's goals. The board shall establish an orderly procedure for employing a superintendent that conforms to generally accepted ethical and legal standards and minimizes misunderstanding in the community. The process should allow the board ample opportunity to evaluate a number of candidate's qualifications whose professional training and experience meet district needs. The board may solicit applications from qualified staff members and may list the vacancy with placement offices.

The board {shall/may} select a professional search service who shall screen all applications and recommend finalists to the board for interviews. The board shall interview selected candidates. Board members may visit each finalist's district.

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CEE Compensation and Benefits (See KB)

CEE

The board shall annually determine the superintendent's compensation and benefits. Compensation shall be based on recent performance and the superintendent's ability to carry out board policy.

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CEF **Expense Reimbursement and Credit Cards** (See CG, GAN and KB)**CEF**

The superintendent's use of a district motor vehicle and a district credit card shall be confined to necessary school business. The board shall annually prescribe limits and restrictions on the use of credit cards and shall monitor monthly receipts and reimbursement expenses.

All rewards points or cash back payments earned using district credit cards are district property and shall be either applied to future district credit card purchases or remitted to the district treasurer for accounting and deposit.

Expenses for district travel in personal vehicles or extended travel incurred in the performance of official duties shall be reimbursed in accordance with the provisions of GAN.

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CEG **Superintendent's Professional Development Opportunities** **CEG**

The superintendent shall keep updated on new educational practices and shall attend educational conferences and other learning opportunities as approved or required by the board.

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CEI **Evaluating the Superintendent** **CEI**

The board shall adopt an evaluation system that provides a basis for formal evaluation of the superintendent's performance. The system shall include the evaluation form used and the process necessary to complete the form.

The board shall evaluate the superintendent using the evaluation form in accordance with current legal requirements for the first four years of employment and annually for the term of the superintendent's employment.

The superintendent's evaluation shall be confidential and be made available only to the board, the superintendent and others as provided by law.

The evaluation instrument shall be on file at the district office with the clerk.

Any revisions in the evaluation system shall include input from the superintendent.

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CEJ **Non-renewing or Terminating the Superintendent's Contract** **CEJ**

The board may non-renew or terminate the superintendent's contract.

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CEK **Resignation** **CEK**

The superintendent may submit a resignation to the board president at a regular or special meeting. The board shall consider the resignation in light of the district's needs.

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CF Board-Superintendent Relations CF

The board delegates to the superintendent all administrative duties. The board reserves the ultimate decision in all matters concerning personnel policy or expenditures of funds; it will normally proceed in those areas only after receiving the superintendent's recommendations.

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CG **Administrative Personnel** (Also see KB) **CG**

The board shall employ administrative personnel as needed.

Compensation Guides and Contracts

Administrative personnel shall be compensated for their services with a contracted salary determined by the board. Administrative contracts shall be reviewed annually. The board shall determine the terms and length of each contract. The board's attorney may develop and review administrator contracts. (See KB)

Qualifications and Duties

The superintendent shall develop appropriate job descriptions for each administrative position. When adopted by the board, job descriptions shall be filed in the central office and may be published in the appropriate handbook.

Recruitment

The board delegates to the superintendent the authority to identify and recommend the appointment of individuals to fill vacant administrative positions. The superintendent shall screen all applicants and may use other staff members to assist. The superintendent shall make recommendations to the board. The district may pay preapproved expenses incurred by candidates interviewed for an administrative position.

Assignment

The board shall solicit the superintendent's recommendations in appointment, assignment, transfer, demotion, termination or non-renewal of any administrative personnel.

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Orientation

The superintendent shall conduct an appropriate administrative orientation program.

Supervision

The superintendent shall be responsible for supervising all administrative personnel.

Administrative Intern Program

The board may establish, by contract with an approved administrator training institution, an administrative intern program.

Travel Expense and Reimbursement

Travel expense for administrative staff shall be provided in accordance with CEF and GAN.

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CGI **Administrator Evaluation** (See CEI and GAK) **CGI**

Administrative personnel shall be evaluated in writing by the superintendent in accordance with legal requirements for the first four years of employment and at least annually thereafter. Administrative personnel files and evaluations shall be available only to the board, the appropriate administrator, the superintendent, and others authorized by law.

The board's procedures concerning evaluation of district administrators shall be on file with the clerk in the central office and may be published in the appropriate handbook.

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CGK Suspension CGK

The superintendent shall have the authority to suspend district administrators with pay pending further board action.

The superintendent may suspend administrators with pay for any reason, including, but not limited to, one or more of the following: alleged violation of or failure to implement board policy, rule, or regulation; refusal or failure to follow a reasonable directive of the administrator's supervisor, the superintendent, or the board; the filing of a complaint against the administrator with any civil or criminal authority; the alleged commission of an offense involving moral turpitude; or other good cause.

If a suspension without pay is imposed on an administrator, the administrator is entitled to pay until the administrator has been advised of the basis for suspension and has been given an opportunity to respond.

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CJ **Hiring Consultants** (See BBG) **CJ**

The administration may use professional consultants. The board shall approve any consultant pay in advance or may instruct the superintendent to budget a specific amount for consultant fees.

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CK **Professional Development Opportunities** **CK**

The board encourages, and may require, administrators to attend activities which will directly benefit the schools. The district may pay expenses to attend meetings approved by the superintendent.

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CL Administrative Teams CL

The board advocates the team concept of school administration.

Method of Appointment

The superintendent shall select the members of each administrative team.

Organization

The superintendent shall determine the organization of each administrative team.

Resources

With board approval, the team may use outside consultants and district resources. (See BBG and CJ)

Financial

The superintendent may recommend an administrative team budget to the board.

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CM **Policy Implementation** (See BDA, CGK, CMA, GAA, and JA) **CM**

Administrative employees who fail to implement board policies may, by board action, be suspended without pay, demoted, placed on probation, nonrenewed, or terminated.

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CMA Administrative Rules and Regulations **CMA**

The superintendent is responsible for recommending, rules and regulations necessary to carry out board policy and to operate the district's schools. These rules and regulations shall constitute the administrative handbooks governing the schools and shall be considered for approval, modification or disapproval by the board. No administrative rule shall conflict with board policy.

The superintendent shall review all proposed rules before they are submitted to the board. The administrative staff shall review all administrative rules recommended by the superintendent before being submitted to the board for their consideration.

Staff Involvement

The superintendent may include representatives of those employees who will be affected at the planning stage.

Community Involvement

The superintendent may involve district patrons on committees or study groups whenever necessary and appropriate.

Student Involvement

The superintendent may consider students' opinions concerning rules which affect them. (Also BDA)

Rules Drafting

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All proposed rules may be submitted to the legal counsel to determine their legality before they are submitted to the board.

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Disseminating Rules

All employees who play a role in enforcing the rules or who will be affected by any rule changes shall be given copies of the pertinent rules and any revisions.

Reviewing Rules

Administrative rules adopted by the board shall be subject to regular review by the administrative staff. Proposed changes shall be submitted to the board.

Action Allowed When No Policy Exists

In an emergency when action must be taken, the superintendent shall have authority to act. Any decision shall be subject to board review at the next meeting. The superintendent should recommend any policy needs the incident may have created.

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CN Public Records CN

(See BE, CNA, ECA, HAI, IDAE, II, JGGA, and JR et seq.)

The board designates {the superintendent/other title} as its Freedom of Information Officer. The Freedom of Information Officer shall have the authority to establish and maintain a system of records in accordance with the Kansas Open Records Act and other applicable laws. The board further assigns board clerk to handle requests for records and to serve as the custodian of the records. The custodian shall prominently display and distribute or otherwise make available to the public a brochure concerning record access in the form prescribed by the local Freedom of Information Officer.

Types of Records

A public record means any recorded information, regardless of form or characteristics, which is made, maintained, kept by, or in the possession of the district, including those exhibited at public board meetings.

Central Office Records

Records maintained by the superintendent shall include, but may not be limited to, the following: financial, personnel, and property (both real and personal) owned by the district.

Building Records

Records maintained by the building principals shall include, but may not be limited to, the following: activity funds, student records, and personnel records. (See JR et seq.)

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Public Access

All records, except those subject to exception by the Kansas Open Records Act, shall be open to inspection by the general public during regular office hours of any school or the district office. The superintendent will establish procedures for making records available on normal business days when district offices are closed. The district may charge and require advance payment of a fee for providing access to or furnishing copies of public records.

Requests for access to open records shall be made in writing to an official custodian of district records. The official custodian shall examine each request to determine whether the record requested is an open record or is subject to an exception of the Kansas Open Records Act that would allow the record to remain closed. The custodian may also refuse to provide access to a public record or to permit inspection if a request places an unreasonable burden in producing public records or if the custodian has reason to believe that repeated requests are intended to disrupt other essential functions of the district. The custodian shall either grant or deny each request.

If the custodian does not grant the request, the person requesting the record shall receive a written explanation of the reason for the denial within three days of the request, if an explanation is requested. If the requester disagrees with the explanation, the freedom of information officer shall settle the dispute.

Each request for access to a public record shall be acted upon as soon as possible, but not later than the end of the third business day following the date that the request is received. If the request is not acted on immediately,

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the custodian shall inform the requester, within the three-day window, when and where the open record will be made available.

Each custodian shall file all requests and their dispositions in the appropriate office and make reports as requested by the superintendent or the board.

Copies of Records

Copies of open records shall be available upon written request, unless otherwise specified in Kansas or federal law. Requestors may only make abstracts or obtain copies of public records to which they have access under the Kansas Open Records Act. The district shall not be required to provide copies of radio or recording tapes or discs, video tapes, films, pictures, slides, graphics, illustrations, or similar audio or visual items or devices, unless such items or devices were shown or played during open session of a district board meeting. Similarly, the district shall not be required to provide such items or devices which are copyrighted by a person other than the board. Furthermore, nothing in the Kansas Open Records Act requires the district to electronically make copies available by allowing a requestor to obtain copies by inserting, connecting, or otherwise attaching an electronic device provided by the requestor to the computer or other electronic device of the district.

Advance payment of the expense of providing access to or furnishing copies of open records shall be borne by the requestor. Under no circumstances shall the documents be allowed out of their usual building location without approval of the official custodian.

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The board may prescribe reasonable fees for providing access to or furnishing copies of public records, subject to the following:

- in the case of fees for copies of records, the fees shall not exceed the actual cost of furnishing copies, including the cost of staff time required to make the information available and printing fees of 25 cents per page, as applicable;
- In the case of fees for providing access to records maintained on computer facilities, the fees shall include only the cost of any computer services, including staff time required.

Revenue from copying open records will be deposited in the district's general fund.

Disposition

All district office records shall be kept for at least the minimum length of time required by law.

The clerk is designated as the official custodian of all board and district office records maintained by the district. Each building principal is designated as official custodian of all records maintained at the building level. In addition to those records required by law, the {clerk} shall be responsible for preparing and keeping other records necessary for the district's efficient operation.

District employees shall follow the guidelines found in the student records policies. (See IDAE and JR through JRD)

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Recommended Only: Adapt for local use. Be prepared to accept other written records requests not on this form.
You can require: name, address and a description of the record requested in writing.
You cannot require this information in any particular form.

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 377
EFFINGHAM, KANSAS
PUBLIC REQUEST FOR
SCHOOL RECORDS

Person requesting records_____

Address of person requesting records_____

Specific records being requested:
_____
_____
_____

_____Approval to release records
_____Denial to release records
_____Delayed release of records

Reason for denial or reason for delay:

_____
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_____ _____
Custodian/
Freedom of Information Officer Date

For Office Use Only:

Date and time the request was made_____

Estimated cost of copies and applicable employee time: $_____
(To be paid in advance)

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CNA Document Production, Including Electronic Information * CNA
(See BCBK, BE, CN, ECA, IDAE, II, JGGA, JR et seq. and KBA)

Destroying Documents

After the district receives knowledge of legal action against the district or its employees, no documents or electronic information pertaining to the subject of the action, maintained in any form, may be destroyed as long as the legal action is pending.

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CO Reports CO

The board may require reports from the superintendent or other staff members. The board delegates to the superintendent authority to request reports from any staff member.

Types of Reports

Annual - The superintendent shall submit to the board an annual report summarizing the district's operations for the preceding school year. The report shall include the accreditation status of each district school building.

Budget Reports - The superintendent shall present a monthly budget report to the board.

The budget report shall be included in the board's agenda and shall include each account, the original appropriation, the amount expended to date, the amount encumbered to date, and the remaining balance in each account.

Disseminating Reports (See JR et seq.) - The board, upon request, may receive copies of reports submitted to the superintendent if there is no potential violation of any staff or students' privacy rights. (See BCBK)

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DA Goals and Objectives **DA**

The board shall adhere to strict fiscal accounting procedures as outlined in board policies and rules. The board shall make an effort to secure goods and services from responsible merchants and vendors at a price and quality that will enable the staff to fulfill the district's educational goals.

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DB Budget Planning DB

A planned, systematically prepared budget is essential in the management of the district. The board delegates to the superintendent the authority to develop a budget for the board's consideration.

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DC **Annual Operating Budget** (See KBA) **DC**

The district budget shall be prepared by the superintendent in cooperation with selected district employees and shall reflect the district's educational goals.

The superintendent shall follow the adopted budget.

The district shall fund the operating budget according to approved fiscal and budgetary procedures required by the State of Kansas.

Budget Forms

Budget forms used shall be those prepared and recommended by the Kansas State Department of Education. Budget summary documents shall be prepared on forms provided by the Kansas State Department of Education.

Priorities

The board will establish priorities for the district on a short-term, intermediate, and long-range basis.

Deadlines and Schedules

Deadlines and time schedules shall be established by the board.

Encumbrances

An encumbrance shall be made when a purchase is made or when an approved purchase order is processed. All encumbrances shall be charged to a specific fund. All necessary encumbrances shall be made by the superintendent.

Recommendations

Recommendations of the superintendent and professional staff concerning the district's budget allocations will be presented to the board prior to submission of the tentative draft budget. All superintendent and staff recommendations will be presented to the board no later than the regular board meeting in _____.

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Preliminary Adoption Procedures

The superintendent will be responsible for developing the budget cover letter. It is recommended that the letter include a restatement of the goals and objectives of the district and a list of budget priorities. An explanation of line item expenditures will be included in the letter. Fund expenditures and line categories will also be explained in terms of how the budget meets the goals and objectives of the district and enhances completion of priority programs. A preliminary draft of the district's budget will be submitted by the superintendent to the board on or before _____each year.

Hearings and Reviews

The board shall conduct budget hearings according to state law.

Budget Transparency

The district shall comply with the requirements of the Kansas Uniform Financial Accounting and Reporting Act and rules and regulations promulgated by the Kansas State Board of Education thereunder in maintaining, reporting, publishing on the district's website, and making available to the public specified budgetary records, forms, and information.

Management of District Assets/Accounts

The superintendent shall establish and maintain accurate, financial management systems to meet the district's fiscal obligations, produce useful information for financial reports, and safeguard district resources. The superintendent shall ensure the district's accounting system provides ongoing

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internal controls. The superintendent shall review the accounting system with the board.

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DE Fraud Prevention and Investigation DE

All employees, board members, consultants, vendors, contractors, and other parties maintaining a business relationship with the district shall act with due diligence in duties involving the district's fiscal resources. The superintendent shall develop internal controls that aid in the prevention and detection of fraud, financial impropriety, or irregularity.

Reporting Fraud

An employee who suspects fraud, impropriety, or irregularity shall promptly report those suspicions to the immediate supervisor and/or the superintendent. If the superintendent is the subject of the complaint, reports shall be made to the board president or the board's legal counsel. The superintendent shall generally have primary responsibility for any investigations, in coordination with legal counsel and other internal or external departments and agencies as appropriate. If the superintendent is the subject of the report of fraud, impropriety, or irregularity, the board shall retain control over the investigation or may designate its legal counsel or another investigator to act on behalf of the board in investigating the matter and reporting any findings back to the board.

Whistleblowers

The district encourages complaints, reports, or inquiries about illegal practices or violations of district policies, including illegal or improper conduct by the district, its leadership, or by others on its behalf. Reports may include, but not be limited to, financial improprieties, accounting, or audit matters, ethical violations, or other similar illegal or improper practices or policies. The district prohibits retaliation by or on behalf of the district against staff members

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who make good faith complaints, reports, or inquiries under this policy or for participations in a review or investigation under this policy. This protection extends to those whose allegations are made in good faith but prove to be mistaken. The district reserves the right to discipline persons who make bad faith, knowingly false, or vexatious complaints, reports, or inquiries or who otherwise abuse this policy.

Complaints, reports, or inquiries may be made under this policy on a confidential or anonymous basis. They should describe in detail the specific facts demonstrating the bases for the complaints, reports, or inquiries. They should be directed to the superintendent unless otherwise provided above. If the superintendent is implicated in the complaint, report, or inquiry, it should be directed to the board or its legal counsel. The district will conduct a prompt, review or investigation. The district may be unable to fully evaluate a vague or general complaint, report, or inquiry that is made anonymously.

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DFAA **Grants and other Outside Financial Resources** **DFAA**

The board encourages the superintendent to secure federal, state and private grants, or other alternative funding sources for use in curriculum development, staff development, instructional or activity programs and other areas as directed by the board.

The board shall approve all grant applications before their submission.

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DFAB **Standard of Conduct for Federally Funded Contracts** **DFAB**

The following standard of conduct shall be followed by board members, district employees, officers, and their agents in an effort to eliminate conflicts of interest and to govern actions while engaged in the selection, award, and administration of contracts on behalf of the district.

No board member, employee, officer, or agent may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by Federal funds if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest concerning the contract.

For the purposes of this policy, a conflict of interest would include any instance when a board member, employee, officer, or agent; any member of his or her immediate family; his or her partner; or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein has a financial or other interest in or receives or would receive a tangible personal benefit from a firm considered for a contract.

Unless otherwise provided herein, no board member, employee, officer, or agent of the district may solicit or accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from vendors, contractors, or parties to subcontracts. Therefore, these individuals would be prohibited from accepting offers for free entertainment which would otherwise cost the individual, lodging, transportation, gifts, or meals. However, accepting meals offered by a sponsor and consumed by such individual at school, a school sponsored activity, or a related event and/or accepting free product samples having a retail value no greater than $10 will not be a violation of this policy or standard of conduct.

Employees, officers, and agents of the district found to be in violation of this policy and standard of conduct shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension or termination for employees and denial of access to district

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property and activities and/or the severing of the officer or agency relationship with the district, as appropriate.

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DFAC **Federal Fiscal Compliance** (See CMA, CN, DFAA, and DFAB) **DFAC**

The board shall ensure federal funds received by the district are administered in accordance with federal requirements, including but not limited to the federal Uniform Grant Guidance. This policy outlines the district's responsibilities when federal funding is considered. The board designates the Superintendent as the federal programs coordinator and district contact for all federal programs and funding.

The Superintendent shall establish and maintain a sound fiscal management system to include internal controls and federal grant management standards covering the receipt of both direct and state-administered federal grants and to track costs and expenditures of funds associated with grant awards. The superintendent, to assist in the proper administration of federal funds and implementation of this policy, may recommend additional procedures and regulations be adopted to supplement this policy.

The district's fiscal management system shall be designed with strong internal controls, a high level of transparency and accountability, and documented procedures to ensure that all fiscal management system requirements are met. Fiscal management standards and procedures shall assure that the following responsibilities are fulfilled:

- Identification – The district must identify, in its accounts, all federal awards received and expended and the federal programs under which they were received.
- Financial Reporting – Accurate, current, and complete disclosure of the financial results of each federal award or program must be made in

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accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR).

- Accounting Records – The district must maintain records which adequately identify the source and application of funds provided for federally-assisted activities.
- Internal Controls – Effective control and accountability must be maintained for all federal funds, real and personal property purchased therewith, and other assets acquired with federal funding. The district must adequately safeguard all such property and must assure that it is used solely for authorized purposes.
- Budget Control – Actual expenditures or outlays must be compared with budgeted amounts for each federal award. Procedures shall be developed to establish determination for allowability of costs for federal funds.
- Cash Management – The district shall maintain written procedures to implement the cash management requirements found in EDGAR.
- Allowability of Costs – The district shall ensure that allowability of all costs charged to each federal award is accurately determined and documented.

Time and Effort Reporting by Employees

All district employees paid with federal funds shall document the time they expend in work performed in support of each federal program, in accordance with law. Time and effort reporting requirements do not apply to contracted individuals.

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Recordkeeping

The district shall develop and maintain a records management plan and related board policy, administrative regulations, and/or procedures for the retention, retrieval, and disposition of print and electronic records, including emails.

The district shall ensure the proper maintenance of federal fiscal records documenting:

- Amount of federal funds,
- How funds are used,
- Total cost of each project,
- Share of total cost of each project provided from other sources,
- Other records to facilitate an effective audit,
- Other records to show compliance with federal program requirements, and
- Significant project experiences and results.

All records must be retrievable and available for programmatic or financial audit.

The district shall provide the federal awarding agency, Inspectors General, the Comptroller General of the United States, and the pass-through entity, or any of their authorized representatives, the right of access to any documents, papers, or other district records which are pertinent to the federal award. The district shall also permit timely and reasonable access to the district's personnel for interview and discussion related to such documents.

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Records shall be retained for a minimum of three (3) years from the date on which the final Financial Status Report is submitted, or as otherwise specified in federal law or in the requirements of the federal award, unless a written extension is provided by the awarding agency, cognizant agency for audit, oversight agency for audit, or cognizant agency for indirect costs. If any litigation, claim or audit is started before the expiration of the standard record retention period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims or audits have been resolved and final action has been taken.

The district shall ensure that all personally identifiable data protected by statute or regulation is handled in accordance with the requirements of applicable law, regulations, board policy, administrative regulations, and procedures.

Subrecipient Monitoring

If the district awards subgrants, the district shall establish procedures to:

- Assess the risk of noncompliance.
- Monitor grant subrecipients to ensure compliance with federal, state, and local laws and board policy, regulations, and procedures.
- Ensure the district's records are adjusted to cure recordkeeping issues discovered through the subrecipient's audits, on-site reviews, or other monitoring.

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Compliance Violations

Employees and contractors involved in federally funded programs and subrecipients shall be made aware that failure to comply with federal law, regulations, or terms and conditions of a federal award may result in the federal awarding agency or pass-through entity imposing additional conditions or terminating the award in whole or in part.

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DFAC TYPE OF COSTS, OBLIGATIONS AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT – FEDERAL PROGRAM
(Sample Procedure)

Type of Costs, Obligations and Property Management – Federal Programs

The district establishes and maintains board policies, administrative regulations, and administrative procedures on administration of federal funds in federal programs as required by the Uniform Grant Guidance and other federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and requirements. The district's fiscal management system includes internal controls and grant management standards in the following areas when federal funds are involved.

Direct and Indirect Costs

Direct costs – costs that can be identified specifically with a particular final cost objective, such as a federal award, or other internally or externally funded activity, or that can be directly assigned to such activities relatively easily with a high degree of accuracy.

Indirect costs – costs incurred for a common or joint purpose benefiting more than one (1) cost objective, and not readily assignable to the cost objectives specifically benefitted, without effort disproportionate to the results achieved.

Costs incurred for the same purpose in like circumstances must be treated consistently as either direct or indirect costs. (2 CFR Sec. 200.405, 200.413)

Identification with the federal award rather than the nature of the goods and services involved is the determining factor in distinguishing direct from indirect costs.

Direct and indirect costs shall be determined in accordance with law, regulations, the terms and conditions of the federal award, and the district's negotiated indirect cost rate.

The district shall develop an indirect cost rate proposal and cost allocation plan in accordance with law, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the federal award.

Timely Obligation of Funds

Obligations – orders placed for property and services, contracts, and subawards made and similar transactions during a given period that require payment by the district during the same or a future period.

The following table illustrates when funds must be obligated under federal regulations:

Obligation is for:	**Obligation is made:**
Acquisition of property	On the date on which the district makes a binding written commitment to acquire the property
Personal services by a district employee	When the services are performed
Personal services by a contractor who is not a district employee	On the date on which the district makes a binding written commitment to obtain the services
Public utility services	When the district receives the services
Travel	When the travel occurs

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Rental of property	When the district uses the property
A pre-agreement cost that was properly approved by the Secretary under the cost principles in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E - Cost Principles	On the first day of the project period

34 CFR §75.707; 34 CFR §76.707

All obligations must occur between the beginning and ending dates of the federal award project, which is known as the period of performance. The period of performance is dictated by law and regulations and will be indicated in the federal award. Specific requirements for carryover funds may be specified in the federal award and must be adhered to by the district. (2 CFR Sec. 200.77, 200.309)

The district will handle obligations and carry over of state-administered and direct grants in accordance with state and federal law and regulations and the terms and conditions of the federal award. Carryover will be calculated and documented by the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator*.

The district may exercise an extension of the period of performance under a direct grant in accordance with law, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the federal award when written notice is provided to the federal awarding agency at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the end of the period of performance. (2 CFR Sec. 200.308(d)(2))

The *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* will decide when an extension of the period of performance is necessary and will recommend that the board approve this process.

The *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator*
will develop the required written notice, including the reasons for the extension and revised period of performance; the notice will be issued no later than ten (10) calendar days prior to the end of the currently documented period of performance in the federal award.

The district must seek approval from the federal awarding agency for an extension of the period of performance when the extension is not contrary to federal law or regulations, and the following conditions apply:

1. The terms and conditions of the federal award prohibit the extension;

2. The extension requires additional federal funds; or

3. The extension involves any change in the approved objectives or scope of the project. (2 CFR Sec. §200.308)

The *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* will determine when an extension must be requested for approval by the federal awarding agency, draft the written request and notify the *{ } Board { } Superintendent { } Business Manager*
{ } Federal Programs Coordinator of the requested extension.

Management of Property Acquired With Federal Funds

Contract and Purchasing Administration -

The district maintains internal controls, administrative regulations, and procedures to ensure that contractors deliver goods and services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications of the designated contract, purchase order, or requisition.

Property Classifications -

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Property shall be classified as **real or personal property** as defined and specified in accordance with law and regulations.

Inventory Control/Management -

All personal property, other than intangible property, which is purchased with federal funds, regardless of cost, will be inventoried as a safeguard.

Inventory will be received by the department or program requesting the item; designated staff will inspect the property, compare it to the applicable purchase order or requisition, and ensure it is appropriately logged and tagged in the district's property management system.

Items acquired will be physically labeled by source of funding and acquisition date.

Inventory records of equipment and computing devices must be current and available for review and audit, and include the following information:

1. Description of the item, including any manufacturer's model number.
2. Manufacturer's serial number or other identification number.
3. Identification of funding source.
4. Acquisition date and unit cost.
5. Source of items, such as company name.
6. Percentage of federal funds used in the purchase.
7. Present location, use, condition of item, and date information was reported.
8. Pertinent information on the ultimate transfer, replacement or disposition of the item and sale price of the property.

Inventory will be updated as items are sold, lost, stolen, or cannot be repaired and new items are purchased.

Physical Inventory -

Physical inventory of property will be completed by designated district staff in accordance with applicable federal law and regulation and board policy DIC.

The physical inventory of items will be conducted annually, and the results will be reconciled with the inventory records and reported to the federal awarding agency.

Maintenance -

The district establishes adequate maintenance procedures to ensure that property is maintained in good condition in accordance with law, regulation, and board policy.

Safeguards -

The district ensures that adequate safeguards are in place to prevent loss, damage, or theft of property:

1. Any loss, damage or theft will be reported to the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator*, investigated and fully documented, and may be reported to local law enforcement.

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2. If stolen items are not recovered, the district will submit copies of the investigative report and insurance claim to the federal awarding agency.

3. The district may be responsible for replacing or repairing lost, damaged, destroyed, or stolen items.

4. Replaced equipment is property of the originally funded program and should be inventoried accordingly.

5. District property may only be loaned in accordance with board policy KGA and administrative regulations and procedures.

Disposition of Property Acquired with Federal Funds –

When the district determines that real property, including land, land improvements, structures, and accessories thereto, acquired under a federal award is no longer needed for the originally authorized purpose, the district must obtain disposition instructions from the federal awarding agency or pass-through entity administering the program, in accordance with applicable law and regulations. (2 CFR Sec. 200.311)

When the district determines that equipment or supplies acquired under a federal award are no longer needed for the original project or program or for other activities currently or previously supported by a federal awarding agency, the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager*
{ } Federal Programs Coordinator will contact the federal awarding agency or pass-through entity administering the program to obtain disposition instructions, based on the fair market value of the equipment or supplies.

Generally, items with a fair market value of $5,000 or less that are no longer effective may be retained, sold, purged, or transferred to the district. For items with a fair market value greater than $5,000, the federal awarding agency is entitled to the federal share of the current market value or sales proceeds.

If the district will be replacing the equipment or supplies, the district may use the existing equipment or supplies as a trade-in or sell the property and use the proceeds to offset the cost of the replacement property.

The *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* will be responsible for contacting the federal awarding agency and determining the process for disposition of equipment or supplies.

The district may use the following methods in disposing of unnecessary equipment or supplies acquired with federal funds:

{ } Public auction and/or online sale – generally conducted by a licensed auctioneer.

{ } Salvage – scrap sold to local dealers.

{ } Negotiated sale – normally used when disposing of items of substantial value.

{ } Sealed bid – normally used for items of substantial value or unique qualities.

{ } Pre-priced sale – large quantities of obsolete or surplus equipment or supplies may be sold by this method.

{ } Donation to charitable organizations, for equipment or supplies with little to no value.

{ } Disposition to trash for equipment or supplies with no value.

The *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* will be responsible for maintaining records of obsolete and surplus property disposed of, and will report to the federal awarding agency when required.

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DFAC PROCUREMENT – FEDERAL PROGRAM
(Sample Procedure)

Procurement – Federal Programs

This document is intended to integrate standard district purchasing procedures with additional requirements applicable to procurements that are subject to the federal Uniform Grant Guidance regulations concerning the use of federal funds and/or U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations governing school food service programs. The district maintains the following purchasing procedures, in accordance with federal and state laws, regulations, and board policy to aid in making purchases with federal funds. (2 CFR 200.318-200.325; 7 CFR 210.16, 210.19, 210.21, 215.14a, 220.16; K.S.A. 72-1151; board policies DFAB, DFAC, DJE, DJEB, DJED, DJEE, DJEF, DJEG, DJEJ, DJFA, and DJFAB)

2017 Procurement Thresholds		
Kansas Bid Threshold	$20,000	For construction, reconstruction or remodeling or for the purchase of materials, goods or wares
Federal Micro-Purchase Threshold	$3,500	Adjusted periodically and published in Federal Register (48 CFR Subpart 2.1)
Federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold	$150,000	Adjusted periodically and published in Federal Register (48 CFR Subpart 2.1)

*Please review this Procurement attachment annually and update amounts accordingly

Responsibility for Purchasing

The board has outlined standard district purchasing responsibility, methods of purchasing, price quotations and bid, requirements in the following board policies and their accompanying administrative regulations and/or procedures:

DFAB: Standard of Conduct for Federally Funded Contracts
DFAC: Federal Fiscal Compliance
DJE: Purchasing
DJEB: Quality Control
DJED: Bids and Quotations Requirements
DJEE: Local Purchasing
DJEF: Requisitions
DJEG: Purchase Orders and Contracts
DJEJ: Payment Procedures
DJFA: Purchasing Authority
DJFAB: Administrative Leeway

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Purchase Methods

When a request for expenses for construction, reconstruction, or remodeling or for the purchase of materials, goods, or wares has been submitted and approved as outlined below, the procurement method to be used will be determined based on the type of purchase and the total cost of the purchase as further outlined below. This procedure outlines how the cost thresholds for determining when the quote or formal bidding procedures that are required by state law as reflected in Policy DJED must be modified when making purchases for federally funded purposes to which the Uniform Grant Guidance or USDA regulations apply to comply with both state and federal requirements. At each point where requirements for food service-related procurement under USDA regulations differ, a note will refer to the Food Service Program Notes at the end of this procedure. Final determination of which purchasing procedures are to be applied is delegated to the *{ } Purchasing Agent { } Superintendent { } Business Manager*
under the authority of the Board.

Standard Procurement Documents and Purchase Request Process

The district shall use *{ } purchase orders { } requisitions* for purchase requests in accordance with the applicable purchase method.

The district shall use *{ } paper { } electronic* purchasing records, which are pre-numbered and are accessible to designated purchasing staff in *{ } the district office { } the business office { } Purchasing Agent's office { } Other* _____.

Purchase requests by an employee must be submitted to the building administrator or immediate supervisor. Purchase of all budgeted items or items approved by an administrator or supervisor must be initiated by use of a purchase order or requisition submitted to the purchasing agent.
Purchase orders and requisitions shall contain information including, but not necessarily limited to:

1. Description of the services to be performed or goods to be purchased;

2. Location of where services will be performed or goods will be delivered;

3. Appropriate dates of service or delivery;

4. { } Other (describe) _____.

Documentation on purchase orders and requisitions shall be maintained in accordance with the district's Public Records policy (CN) and Federal Fiscal Compliance policy (DFAC).

Contracts shall be reviewed by the *{ } Board Clerk { } Business Manager { } Superintendent { } Board's Attorney* prior to submission to the board for approval.

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Contracts to which the Uniform Grant Guidance apply shall contain the clauses specified in Appendix II to 2 CFR Part 200 (Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards), when applicable.

[See Food Service Program Notes below for specific clauses required by USDA regulations to be included in cost reimbursable procurement contracts.]

Micro-Purchases Not Requiring Quotes or Bidding

For purposes of this procedure**, micro-purchase** means a purchase of supplies or services for use in federally funded programs using simplified acquisition procedures, the aggregate amount of which does not exceed a base amount of $3,500. The micro-purchase dollar threshold is adjusted periodically by the federal government, and the threshold most recently established and published in the Federal Register shall apply if other than $3,500.(48 CFR Subpart 2.1)

Note: The micro-purchase maximum for federal purposes is lower than the amount below which the Policy DJED allows purchase for nonfederal purposes to be made without using formal competitive bidding.

The micro-purchase method is used to expedite the completion of its lowest dollar small purchase transactions and minimize the associated administrative burden and cost. Procurement by micro-purchase is the acquisition of supplies or services, the aggregate dollar amount of which does not exceed the micro-purchase threshold.

To the extent practicable, the district distributes micro-purchases equitably among qualified suppliers when the same or materially interchangeable products are identified and such suppliers offer effectively equivalent rates, prices, and other terms. The *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Purchasing Agent { } Board Clerk { } Board Treasurer* will be responsible to determine the equitable distribution of micro-purchases.

Micro-purchases may be awarded without soliciting competitive quotations if the district considers the price to be reasonable. The district will maintain evidence of this reasonableness in the records of all micro-purchases. **Reasonable** means that sound business practices were followed, and the purchase is comparable to market prices for the geographic area. Such determinations of reasonableness may include comparison of the price to previous purchases of the same item or comparison of the price of items similar to the item being purchased.

Even if the cost of a purchase qualifies it as a micro-purchase, bidding or small purchase procedures may be used optionally when those procedures may result in cost savings.

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Small Purchase Procedures

For purposes of this procedure, **small purchase procedures** are those relatively simple and informal procurement methods for securing materials, goods, or wares or for completing construction, reconstruction, or remodeling that cost more than the amount qualifying as a micro-purchase and do not cost $20,000 or more, or in the case of services other than construction, reconstruction or remodeling, where the total cost does not exceed the $150,000 federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold at which formal competitive bidding or competitive proposals are required. Small purchase procedures cannot be used for construction, reconstruction or remodeling costing $20,000 or more or for the purchase of materials, goods or wares costing $20,000 or more because the board policy and Kansas law requires formal competitive bidding at that level of cost.

The base amount at which bidding is required under state law for construction, reconstruction or remodeling or for the purchase of materials, goods or wares is $20,000. (K.S.A. 72-1151)

The federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold at which competitive bidding or competitive proposals are required is adjusted periodically by the federal government, and the threshold most recently established and published in the Federal Register shall apply if other than $150,000. (48 CFR Subpart 2.1)

Because state law does not require **competitive** bidding for the purchase of services other than for construction, reconstruction or remodeling with a cost in excess of $20.000, small purchase procedures, including a request for proposal (RFP) procedure, may be used for procurement of such other services except when the estimated total cost will be at or over the federal threshold at which formal competitive bidding or competitive proposals are required ($150,000).

[See Food Service Program Notes below for exemption from bidding for purchases of perishable food items costing less than $150,000.]

Formal Competitive Bidding

Publicly Solicited Sealed Competitive Bids:

For construction, reconstruction, or remodeling or for the purchase of materials, goods or wares, sealed competitive bids are publicly solicited and awarded to the lowest responsible bidder as provided in Policy DJED when the total cost is estimated to be $20,000 or more.

Note: The amount at which formal competitive bidding or competitive proposals are required by federal regulations is much higher than the base amount at which the policy and state law requires competitive bidding. Therefore, the lower base amount specified by Policy DJED will be used for purchases of equipment or supplies, or for obtaining services for construction, reconstruction or remodeling costing $20,000 or more.

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State law does not require bidding for the purchase of services other than for construction, reconstruction or remodeling regardless of total cost. For procurement of such other services for federally funded purposes to which the Uniform Grant Guidance applies, formal competitive bidding or competitive proposals will be used when the estimated total cost will be at or over the federal threshold of $150,000.

The federal Simplified Acquisition Threshold at which competitive bidding or competitive proposals are required is adjusted periodically by the federal government, and the threshold most recently established and published in the Federal Register shall apply if other than $150,000. (48 CFR Subpart 2.1)

For procurement of services costing at or over the $150,000 federal threshold other than for construction, reconstruction or remodeling, the use of competitive sealed bidding is considered feasible and appropriate when:

1. A complete, adequate, and realistic specification or purchase description is available;

2. Two (2) or more responsible bidders are willing and able to compete effectively for the business; and

3. The procurement lends itself to a firm fixed-price contract, and the selection of the successful bidder can be made principally on the basis of price.

Where specified in bidding documents, factors such as discounts, transportation cost, and life cycle costs must be considered in determining which bid is lowest. Payment discounts will only be used to determine the low bid when prior experience indicates that such discounts are usually taken advantage of. Any or all bids may be rejected if there is a sound documented reason.

[See Food Service Program Notes below for reference to state requirements regarding contracts with food service management companies and contractors of pre-plated meals.]

<u>Competitive Proposals</u>

State law does not require public school entities to solicit competitive bids for services other than for construction, reconstruction or remodeling, for which competitive bidding is required if the cost will be a base amount of $20,000 or more.

Federal regulations allow the use of competitive proposals as an alternative to formal competitive bidding when conditions are not appropriate for the use of sealed bids.

In the case of services other than for construction, reconstruction or remodeling costing less than that threshold, the district may use small purchase procedures or micro-purchase procedures as applicable based on total cost. A request for proposal (RFP) process can also meet or exceed the small purchase competition requirements under state law and Policy DJED for the acquisition of services other than for construction, reconstruction or remodeling, and can be used if the total cost will be less than $150,000.

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When permitted, the technique of competitive proposals is normally conducted with more than one (1) source submitting an offer, and either a fixed price or cost-reimbursement type contract is awarded. Competitors' qualifications are evaluated, and the most qualified competitor is selected, subject to negotiation of fair and reasonable compensation. The district shall comply with other applicable state and federal law and regulations, board policy and administrative regulations or procedures regarding purchasing; the district may consult with the school solicitor or other qualified counsel in determining the required process for purchasing through competitive proposals when necessary.

If this method is used, the following requirements apply:

1. Requests for proposals must be publicized and identify all evaluation factors and their relative importance. Any response to publicized requests for proposals must be considered to the maximum extent practical.

2. Proposals must be solicited from an adequate number of qualified sources.

3. There must be a written method for conducting technical evaluations of the proposals received and for selecting recipients.

4. Contracts must be awarded to the responsible firm whose proposal is most advantageous to the program, with price and other factors considered.

5. Competitive proposal procedures for qualifications-based procurement of architectural/engineering (A/E) professional services whereby competitors' qualifications are evaluated and the most qualified is selected, subject to negotiation of fair and reasonable compensation, are allowed. The method where price is not used as a selection factor can only be used in procurement of A/E professional services and cannot be used to purchase other services through A/E firms.

Competitive proposals shall be evaluated by the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* based on factors including but not limited to:

1. Cost.

   { } Experience of contractor.

   { } Availability.

   { } Personnel qualifications.

   { } Financial stability.

   { } Minority business, women's business enterprise, or labor surplus area firm status.

   { } Project management expertise.

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{ } Understanding of district needs.

{ } Other _____.

Evaluations shall be completed in a timely manner, documented and shall be reviewed by the *{ } Board { } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator { } school solicitor*.

Contract/Price Analysis

The district performs a cost or price analysis in connection with every procurement action in excess of $150,000, including contract modifications. (2 CFR Sec. 200.323(a)).

A **cost analysis** generally means evaluating the separate cost elements that make up the total price, while a **price analysis** means evaluating the total price, without looking at the individual cost elements.

The method and degree of analysis is dependent on the facts surrounding the particular procurement situation; however, the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* must come to an independent estimate prior to receiving bids or proposals. (2 CFR Sec. 200.323(a)). As part of the analysis, the _____ will enact established business practices which may include evaluation of similar prior procurements and a review process.

Negotiated Profit

In any procurement in which there has been no price competition, or in which a cost-analysis is performed, profit must be negotiated separately as an element of price. Accordingly, solicitations of bids, proposals or quotes shall require that bids, proposals or quotes be limited to costs other than profit, and exclude profit.

To establish a fair and reasonable profit, consideration is given to the complexity of the work to be performed, the risk borne by the contractor, the contractor's investment, the amount of subcontracting, the quality of its record of past performance, and industry profit rates in the surrounding geographical area for similar work. (2 CFR Sec. 200.323(b)).

When profit must be negotiated as a separate element of the total price, it shall be negotiated by the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator.*

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Noncompetitive Proposals (Sole Sourcing)

Procurement by noncompetitive proposals means procurement through solicitation of a proposal from only one (1) source and may be used only when one or more of the following circumstances apply:

1. The item is available only from a single source.

2. The public exigency or emergency for the requirement will not permit a delay resulting from competitive solicitation. An **emergency** exists whenever the time required for the board to act in accordance with regular procedures would endanger life or property or threaten continuance of existing school classes.

3. The federal awarding agency or pass-through entity expressly authorizes noncompetitive proposals in response to a written request from the district.

4. After solicitation of a number of sources, the district determines the competition is inadequate.

In addition to standard procurement policy and procedures, the district will document the grounds for using the noncompetitive method in lieu of an otherwise required competitive method of procurement, which may include written confirmation from the contractor as the sole source of the item. Documentation must be submitted to and maintained by the district office.

All noncompetitive proposals will ultimately be approved by the board. The district may utilize legal advice regarding noncompetitive proposals.

Profit must be negotiated separately for noncompetitive proposals, and a cost or price analysis will also be performed for noncompetitive proposals when the price exceeds $150,000.

Purchase Cards

The district approves the use of procurement cards for permissible purchases by designated employees to improve the efficiency of purchasing activities, reduce processing expenses, improve controls for small-dollar purchases, and streamline contractor payment.

Procurement cards may be used for purchases under federal programs.

Full and Open Competition

All procurement transactions must be conducted in a manner providing full and open competition consistent with 2 CFR Sec. 200.319. In order to ensure objective contractor performance and eliminate unfair competitive advantage, contractors that develop or draft specifications, requirements, statements of work, or invitations for bids or requests for proposals must be excluded from competing for such procurements. Some of the situations considered to be restrictive of competition include but are not limited to:

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1. Placing unreasonable requirements on firms in order for them to qualify to do business.

2. Requiring unnecessary experience and excessive bonding.

3. Noncompetitive pricing practices between firms or between affiliated companies.

4. Noncompetitive contracts to consultants that are on retainer contracts.

5. Organizational conflicts of interest.

6. Specifying only a "brand name" product instead of allowing "an equal" product to be offered and describing the performance or other relevant requirements of the procurement.

7. Any arbitrary action in the procurement process.

Minority Businesses, Women's Business Enterprises, Labor Surplus Area Firms

The district must take necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. Affirmative steps must include: (2 CFR Sec. 200.321)

1. Placing qualified small and minority business and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists.

2. Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources.

3. Dividing total purchasing requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority business and women's business enterprises.

4. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises.

5. Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

6. Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are let, to take the affirmative steps listed above.

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Geographical Preferences Prohibited

The district must conduct procurements in a manner that prohibits the use of statutorily or administratively imposed state, local, or tribal geographical preferences in the evaluation of bids or proposals for purchases made with federal funds, except in those cases where applicable federal statutes expressly mandate or encourage geographic preference. When contracting for architectural and engineering (A/E) services, geographic location may be a selection criterion provided its application leaves an appropriate number of qualified firms, given the nature and size of the project, to compete for the contract.

[See Food Service Program Notes below for permissibility of geographic preferences and "Buy American" practices in purchasing certain food products]

Prequalified Lists

The district must ensure that all prequalified lists of persons, firms, or products which are used in acquiring goods and services are current and include enough qualified sources to ensure maximum open and free competition. Also, the district must not preclude potential bidders from qualifying during the solicitation period.

[**See Food Service Program Notes below for reference to state requirements regarding contracts with food service management companies and contractors of pre-plated meals.]**

Solicitation Language

The district must ensure that all solicitations incorporate a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements for the material, product, or service to be procured. Such description must not, in competitive procurements, contain features which unduly restrict competition. The description may include a statement of the qualitative nature of the material, product or service to be procured and, when necessary, must set forth those minimum essential characteristics and standards to which it must conform if it is to satisfy its intended use. Detailed product specifications should be avoided if possible.

When it is impractical or uneconomical to make a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements, a "brand name or equivalent" description may be used to define the performance or other salient requirements of procurement. The specific features of the named brand which must be met by offers must be clearly stated; and identify all requirements which the offerors must fulfill and all other factors to be used in evaluating bids or proposals.

Avoiding Acquisition of Unnecessary or Duplicative Items

The district must avoid the acquisition of unnecessary or duplicative items. Additionally, consideration must be given to consolidating or breaking out procurements to obtain a more economical purchase; and, where appropriate, an analysis must be made of leases versus purchase alternatives, and any other appropriate analysis to determine the most economical approach.

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These considerations are given as part of the process to determine the allowability of each purchase made with federal funds. Such considerations are accessible in the procedure to Policy DFAC: Allowability of Costs – Federal Programs.

Use of Intergovernmental Agreements and Cooperative Purchasing

To foster greater economy and efficiency, the district enters into state and local intergovernmental agreements where appropriate for cooperative purchasing or use of common or shared goods and services, as permitted by the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act**.**

When procuring supplies or services for federally funded purposes to which the Uniform Grant Guidance applies, the district shall verify that the organization conducting the procurement pursuant to such agreements complies with the applicable procurement methods, requirements, and standards of the Uniform Grant Guidance as outlined in this procedure.

Use of Federal Excess and Surplus Property

The district considers the use of federal excess and surplus property in lieu of purchasing new equipment and property whenever such use is feasible and reduces project costs.

Debarment and Suspension

The district awards contracts only to responsible contractors possessing the ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of a proposed procurement. Consideration will be given to such matters as contractor integrity, compliance with public policy, record of past performance, and financial and technical resources.

[See Food Service Program Notes below for reference to state requirements regarding contracts with food service management companies and contractors of pre-plated meals.]

The district may not subcontract with or award subgrants to any person or company who is debarred or suspended. For all contracts over $25,000 the district verifies that the contractor with whom the district intends to do business is not excluded or disqualified. (2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II, and 2 CFR Sec. 180.220 and 180.300).

All successful contractors must provide written certification that they have not been suspended or debarred from federal projects. The *{ } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* will be responsible for verification. Such verification may include accessing the online federal System for Award Management (SAM) to determine whether any relevant party is subject to any suspension or debarment restrictions.

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Maintenance of Procurement Records

The district must maintain records sufficient to detail the history of all procurements. These records will include, but are not necessarily limited to the following: rationale for the method of procurement, selection of contract type, contractor selection or rejection, the basis for the contract price (including a cost or price analysis), and verification that the contractor is not suspended or debarred.

Maintenance of records of procurement will be governed by board Policies CN and DFAC.

Time and Materials Contracts

The district may use a time and materials type contract only: (1) after a determination that no other contract is suitable; and (2) if the contract includes a ceiling price that the contractor exceeds at its own risk. **Time and materials type contract** means a contract whose cost to the district is the sum of: the actual costs of materials, and direct labor hours charged at fixed hourly rates that reflect wages, general and administrative expenses, and profit.

Since this formula generates an open-ended contract price, a time-and-materials contract provides no positive profit incentive to the contractor for cost control or labor efficiency. Therefore, each contract must set a ceiling price that the contractor exceeds at its own risk. Further, the district must assert a high degree of oversight to obtain reasonable assurance that the contractor is using efficient methods and effective cost controls.

Settlements of Issues Arising Out of Procurements

The district alone is responsible, in accordance with good administrative practice and sound business judgment, for the settlement of all contractual and administrative issues arising out of procurements. These issues include, but are not limited to, source evaluation, protests, disputes, and claims. These standards do not relieve the district of any contractual responsibilities under its contracts. Violations of law will be referred to the local, state, or federal authority having proper jurisdiction.

Protest Procedures to Resolve Dispute

The district maintains protest procedures to handle and resolve disputes relating to procurements and, in all instances, discloses information regarding the protest to the awarding agency. Protest procedures will be acted on in accordance with current state law and regulations, board policy and administrative regulations and procedures, and the advice of the board's legal counsel.

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Food Service Program Notes:

Exemption from Bidding for Perishable Food Items -

Kansas law exempts purchases of food and foodstuffs necessary for the implementation or operation of any child nutrition program from bidding requirements. Bidding for such items is required only if the cost would be at or over the federal threshold at which formal competitive bidding is required ($150,000). Small purchase procedures may be used for purchases below $150,000, or micro-purchase procedures for purchases below $3,500. Use of bidding should be considered as an option if it is feasible and likely to result in cost savings.

Geographic Preferences -

The district is permitted to apply a geographic preference when procuring unprocessed, locally grown or locally raised agricultural products. When a geographic preference is applied, the district has discretion to determine the local area to which the geographic preference option will be applied.

Unprocessed locally grown or locally raised agricultural products means only those agricultural products that retain their inherent character. The effects of the following food handling and preservation techniques shall not be considered as changing an agricultural product into a product of a different kind or character: cooling; refrigerating; freezing; size adjustment made by peeling, slicing, dicing, cutting, chopping, shucking, and grinding; forming ground products into patties without any additives or fillers; drying/dehydration; washing; packaging (such as placing eggs in cartons), vacuum packing and bagging (such as placing vegetables in bags or combining two (2) or more types of vegetables or fruits in a single package); the addition of ascorbic acid or other preservatives to prevent oxidation of produce; butchering livestock and poultry; cleaning fish; and the pasteurization of milk. (7 CFR Sec. 210.21, 215.14a, 220.16)

Buy American -

The district shall purchase, to the maximum extent practicable, domestic commodities or products for food service purposes. The term **domestic commodity or product** means: (7 CFR Sec. 210.21, 220.16)

1. An agricultural commodity that is produced in the United States; and

2. A food product that is processed in the United States substantially using agricultural commodities that are produced in the United States.

Mandatory Contract Clauses -

The following provisions shall be included in all cost reimbursable contracts for food services purchases, including contracts with cost reimbursable provisions, and in solicitation documents prepared to obtain offers for such contracts: (7 CFR Sec. 210.21, 215.14a, 220.16)

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1. Allowable costs will be paid from the nonprofit school food service account to the contractor net of all discounts, rebates and other applicable credits accruing to or received by the contractor or any assignee under the contract, to the extent those credits are allocable to the allowable portion of the costs billed to the school food authority;

2. (a) The contractor must separately identify for each cost submitted for payment to the school food authority the amount of that cost that is allowable (can be paid from the nonprofit school food service account) and the amount that is unallowable (cannot be paid from the nonprofit school food service account); or

   (b) The contractor must exclude all unallowable costs from its billing documents and certify that only allowable costs are submitted for payment and records have been established that maintain the visibility of unallowable costs, including directly associated costs in a manner suitable for contract cost determination and verification;

3. The contractor's determination of its allowable costs must be made in compliance with the applicable departmental and program regulations and Office of Management and Budget cost circulars;

4. The contractor must identify the amount of each discount, rebate and other applicable credit on bills and invoices presented to the school food authority for payment and individually identify the amount as a discount, rebate, or in the case of other applicable credits, the nature of the credit. If approved by the state agency, the school food authority may permit the contractor to report this information on a less frequent basis than monthly, but no less frequently than annually;

5. The contractor must identify the method by which it will report discounts, rebates and other applicable credits allocable to the contract that are not reported prior to conclusion of the contract; and

6. The contractor must maintain documentation of costs and discounts, rebates and other applicable credits, and must furnish such documentation upon request to the school food authority, the state agency, or the department.

Contracts with Food Service Management Companies -
Procedures for selecting and contracting with a food service management company (FSMC) shall comply with guidance provided by the Kansas State Department of Education, Division of Child Nutrition and Wellness, including standard forms, procedures and timelines for solicitation, selection and approval of proposals and contracts. (7 CFR Sec. 210.16, 210.19, 210.21, 215.14a, 220.16)

Pre-Plated Meals -
Procedures for selecting and contracting with contractors of pre-plated meals shall comply with guidance provided by the Kansas State Department of Education, Division of Child Nutrition and Wellness, including standard forms, procedures and timelines for solicitation, selection and approval of proposals and contracts. (7 CFR Sec. 210.16, 210.19, 210.21, 220.16)

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Grant Subrecipient Monitoring Procedures – Federal Programs

In the event the district disperses federal funds received through a federal award to other entities and assigns responsibilities to the outside entity to conduct a portion of the work, the district shall be responsible for determining, on a case-by-case basis, whether the agreement with such entity places the outside entity in the role of a subrecipient receiving a subaward of federal funding, or the role of a contractor.

If the district grants subawards of federal funding to other entities as subrecipients, the district shall be responsible for:

1. Evaluating the entity for risk of noncompliance to determine appropriate monitoring practices.

2. Monitoring the subrecipient entity's implementation to ensure compliance with federal, state, and local laws, conditions of the federal funding award, and board policy and procedures.

3. Notifying the subrecipient entity of identified deficiencies found during the monitoring process and ensuring that identified deficiencies are corrected.

4. Documenting and retaining records on subrecipient identification, notification, evaluation, monitoring, and corrective actions taken.

Definitions

For purposes of policies and procedures related to federal programs, the following definitions shall apply:

Contract – a legal instrument by which a non-federal entity purchases property or services needed to carry out the project or program under a federal award. The term as used here does not include a legal instrument, even if the entity considers it a contract, when the substance of the transaction meets the definition of a federal program award or subaward. (2 CFR 200.22)

Contractor – an entity that receives a contract, as defined in law and regulations, by which a non-federal entity purchases property or services needed to carry out the project or program under a federal award. (2 CFR 200.23)

Pass-through entity – a non-federal entity that provides a subaward to a subrecipient to carry out part of a federal program. The district serves as the pass-through entity in cases where it awards federal funding to a subrecipient as defined in this procedure. (2 CFR 200.74)

Subaward – an award provided by a pass-through entity to a subrecipient in order to carry out part of a federal award received by the pass-through entity. It does not include payments to a contractor or payments to an individual that is a beneficiary of a federal program. A subaward may be provided through any form of legal agreement, including an agreement that the pass-through entity considers a contract. (2 CFR 200.92)

Subrecipient – a non-federal entity that receives a subaward to carry out part of a federal program; but does not include an individual that is a beneficiary of such program. (A subrecipient may also be a recipient of other federal awards directly from a federal awarding agency.) (2 CFR 200.93)

Subrecipient Versus Contractor

The district must determine, on a case-by-case basis, whether an entity receiving funds from the district as part of a federal funding program serves in a role of subrecipient or contractor. (2 CFR 200.330)

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The *{ } Superintendent { } Federal Programs Coordinator { } Business Manager { } other* _____ shall be responsible for analyzing the criteria listed in the chart below and evaluating the relationship with the entity based on the substance of the legal agreement, rather than the form of the agreement. The _____ may consult with the board's legal counsel or other qualified counsel in making such determination.

Subrecipient	Contractor
Creates a Federal assistance relationship	Purpose is to obtain goods and services for the non-Federal entity's own use and creates a procurement relationship
Determines who is eligible to receive what Federal assistance	Provides the goods and services within normal business operations
Has its performance measured in relation to whether objectives of a Federal program were met	Provides similar goods or services to many different purchasers
Has responsibility for programmatic decision making	Normally operates in a competitive environment
Is responsible for adherence to applicable Federal program requirements specified in the Federal award; and	Provides goods or services that are ancillary to the operation of the Federal program; and
In accordance with its agreement, uses the Federal funds to carry out a program for a public purpose specified in authorizing statute, as opposed to providing goods or services for the benefit of the pass-through entity (PTE)	Is not subject to compliance requirements of the Federal program as a result of the agreement, though similar requirements may apply for other reasons

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The district shall notify subrecipients that they have been identified as a subrecipient and that the funding qualifies as a subaward. The district shall provide the subrecipient with the following information as specified at 2 CFR Sec. 200.331(a) regarding the federal funding award, and any subsequent changes:

1. Federal Award Identification information, including:

   (i) Subrecipient name (which must match the name associated with its unique entity identifier);

   (ii) Subrecipient's unique entity identifier;

   (iii) Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN);

   (iv) Federal Award Date (see §200.39 federal award date) of award to the recipient by the federal agency;

   (v) Subaward Period of Performance Start and End Date;

   (vi) Amount of Federal Funds Obligated by this action by the pass-through entity to the subrecipient;

   (vii) Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated to the subrecipient by the pass-through entity including the current obligation;

   (viii) Total Amount of the Federal Award committed to the subrecipient by the pass-through entity;

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(ix) Federal award project description, as required to be responsive to the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA);

(x) Name of federal awarding agency, pass-through entity, and contact information for awarding official of the pass-through entity;

(xi) CFDA Number and Name; the pass-through entity must identify the dollar amount made available under each federal award and the CFDA number at time of disbursement;

(xii) Identification of whether the award is R&D; and

(xiii) Indirect cost rate for the federal award (including if the de minimis rate is charged per §200.414 Indirect (F&A) costs).

2. All requirements imposed by the pass-through entity on the subrecipient so that the federal award is used in accordance with federal statutes, regulations and the terms and conditions of the federal award;

3. Any additional requirements that the pass-through entity imposes on the subrecipient for the pass-through entity to meet its own responsibility to the federal awarding agency including identification of any required financial and performance reports;

4. An approved federally recognized indirect cost rate negotiated between the subrecipient and the federal government or, if no such rate exists, either a rate negotiated between the pass-through entity and the subrecipient (in compliance with this part), or a de minimis indirect cost rate as defined in §200.414 Indirect (F&A) costs, paragraph (f);

5. A requirement that the subrecipient permit the pass-through entity and auditors to have access to the subrecipient's records and financial statements as necessary for the pass-through entity to meet the requirements of this part; and

6. Appropriate terms and conditions concerning closeout of the subaward.

Evaluation of Risk

The district shall evaluate each subrecipient's risk of noncompliance with law, regulations and the terms and conditions of the subaward to determine appropriate monitoring practices. (2 CFR 200.331)

The *{ } Superintendent { } Federal Programs Coordinator { } Business Manager { } other* _____ or designee shall be responsible for evaluating risk based on the following factors:

1. The subrecipient's prior experience with the same or similar subawards;

2. The results of previous audits, including whether the subrecipient receives a single audit and the extent to which the same or similar subaward has been audited;

3. Whether the subrecipient has new personnel, or new or substantially changed systems and processes;

4. The extent and results of any federal award agency's monitoring of the subrecipient.

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The _____ or designee shall request adequate documentation from the subrecipient to conduct the evaluation of risk; such documentation may include, but may not be limited to *{ } audit reports { } financial reports { } policies and procedures { } detailed descriptions or users' guides of current systems and processes.*

The district shall evaluate subrecipients for risk of noncompliance *{ } annually { } as specified in the legal agreement or contract.*

Based on the results of the risk evaluation, the district may consider imposing specific conditions on implementation of the subaward, in accordance with applicable law and regulations. (2 CFR 200.207, 200.331)

Monitoring

The district shall monitor the implementation and activities of each subrecipient as necessary to ensure that the subaward is used for authorized purposes, in accordance with law, regulations and the terms and conditions of the subaward. The district shall notify subrecipients of monitoring requirements, and may provide technical assistance to subrecipients in complying with monitoring requirements.

As part of the monitoring process, the district shall complete the following steps: (2 CFR 200.331)

1. Review financial and performance reports required by the district.

2. Follow-up and ensure that the subrecipient takes timely and appropriate action on all deficiencies pertaining to the subaward detected during monitoring through audits, on-site reviews and other means.

3. Issue a management decision for audit findings pertaining to the subaward provided to the subrecipient, in accordance with applicable law and regulations. (2 CFR 200.521)

Monitoring –

The *{ } Superintendent { } Federal Programs Coordinator { } Business Manager { } other* _____ or designee shall be responsible for monitoring of subrecipients. Monitoring activities may include, but shall not be limited to:

1. Review of progress reports, financial reports and data quality.

2. On-site visits.

3. Review of federal or state debarment lists.

4. Review of other agreed-upon procedures specified in the legal agreement or contract. (2 CFR 200.425)

The district shall verify that subrecipients are audited as required by applicable law and regulations. (2 CFR 200.331, 2 CFR 200.500-200.521)

Follow-Up Actions –

The _____ or designee shall provide subrecipients with written documentation detailing their monitoring results and listing any identified deficiencies. The district shall consider whether the results of monitoring indicate the need to revise existing district policy and procedures. (2 CFR 200.331)

The district shall require subrecipients to take immediate action on issues involving ineligible or illegal use of federal funding, and notify the district of corrective action taken.

The district shall require subrecipients to develop a corrective action plan to address other identified deficiencies or noncompliance issues; such plan shall be submitted to the district

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{ } within 60 days { } as soon as possible { } as specified in the agreed-upon procedures, and the district shall evaluate and monitor the activities taken by the subrecipient under the corrective action plan. The district may provide technical assistance and/or training to subrecipients in complying with corrective action requirements.

The _____ or designee shall maintain all documentation on monitoring of subrecipients and corrective action taken during the monitoring process.

The district shall report issues of noncompliance to the appropriate federal agency where required by law, regulations, or requirements of the federal funding program.

Remedies for Noncompliance –

When monitoring activities identify issues of noncompliance that are not addressed through corrective action, the district may take the following actions: (2 CFR 200.331, 200.338)

1. Impose specific conditions on the subrecipient, in accordance with applicable law and regulations. (2 CFR 200.207)

2. Temporarily withhold cash payments, in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

3. Disallow or deny use of funds for all or part of the cost of the activity or action not in compliance.

4. Wholly or partially suspend or terminate the agreement for the federal award.

5. Recommend that the federal agency initiate suspension and debarment proceedings.

6. Withhold further awards or agreements for the project or program.

7. Take other remedies legally available, in consultation with the school solicitor or other qualified counsel.

Record Retention

The *{ } Superintendent { } Federal Programs Coordinator { } Business Manager { } other* _____ shall ensure that all documentation regarding subrecipient identification, notification, evaluation, monitoring activities, and corrective action is maintained in accordance with board policy and regulations.

Records shall be retained in accordance with applicable law, regulations, specific requirements of the federal program, and the district's policies and regulations. (2 CFR 200.333-200.337)

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DFAC CASH MANAGEMENT – FEDERAL PROGRAMS

(Sample Procedure)

Cash Management – Federal Programs

Generally, the school district receives payment of federal funds from the Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) on a reimbursement basis. In some circumstances, the district may receive an advance of federal grant funds. This procedure addresses responsibilities of the district and district staff under those alternative payment methods. In either case, the district shall maintain accounting methods and internal controls and procedures that assure those responsibilities are met when dealing with federal funding.

Payment Methods

Reimbursements -

The school district will initially charge federal grant expenditures to nonfederal funds.

The *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* will request reimbursement for actual expenditures incurred under the federal grants *{ } monthly { } quarterly*.

Such requests shall be submitted with appropriate documentation and signed by the requestor.

Requests for reimbursements will be approved by the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator*.

Reimbursement will be submitted on the appropriate form to the KSDE portal. All reimbursements are based on actual disbursements, not on obligations. KSDE will process reimbursement requests within the timeframes required for disbursement.

Consistent with state and federal requirements, the school district will maintain source documentation supporting the federal expenditures (invoices, time sheets, payroll stubs, etc.) and will make such documentation available for KSDE to review upon request.

Reimbursements of actual expenditures do not involve interest calculations.

Advances -

When the district receives advance payments of federal grant funds, it must minimize the time elapsing between the transfer of funds to the district and the expenditure of those funds on allowable costs of the applicable federal program. (2 CFR Sec. 200.305(b)) The district shall attempt to expend all advances of federal funds within seventy-two (72) hours of receipt. When applicable, the district shall use existing resources available within a program before requesting additional advances. Such resources include program income (including repayments to a revolving fund), rebates, refunds, contract settlements, audit recoveries, and interest earned on such funds. (2 CFR Sec. 305(b)(5))
The district shall hold federal advance payments in insured, interest-bearing accounts.
The school district is permitted to retain for administrative expense up to $500 per year of interest earned on federal grant cash balances. Regardless of the federal awarding agency, interest earnings exceeding $500 per year shall be remitted annually to the Department of Health and

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Human Services Payment Management System (PMS) through an electronic medium using either Automated Clearing House (ACH) network or a Fedwire Funds Service payment. (2 CFR Sec. 200.305(b)(9))

Pursuant to federal guidelines, interest earnings shall be calculated from the date that the federal funds are drawn down from the G5 system until the date on which those funds are disbursed by the district. Consistent with state guidelines, interest accruing on total federal grant cash balances shall be calculated on cash balances per grant and applying the actual or average interest rate earned.

Remittance of interest shall be responsibility of the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator*.

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DFAC ALLOWABILITY OF COSTS – FEDERAL PROGRAMS
(Sample Procedure)

Allowability of Costs – Federal Programs

Expenditures of federal funds must be aligned with approved budgeted items. Any changes or variations from the state-approved budget and grant application need prior approval from the state.

Delegation of Responsibility

When determining how the school district will spend its grant funds, the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* will review the proposed cost to determine whether it is an allowable use of federal grant funds *before* obligating and spending those funds on the proposed good or service.

Allowability Determinations

All costs supported by federal education funds must meet the standards outlined in EDGAR, 2 CFR Part 3474 and 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E, which are listed below. The *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* must consider these factors when making an allowability determination. A section entitled, *Helpful Questions for Determining Whether Costs are Allowable,* is located at the end of this document.

Part 200 sets forth general cost guidelines that must be considered, as well as rules for specific types of items, both of which must be considered when determining whether a cost is an allowable expenditure of federal funds. The expenditure must also be allowable under the applicable program statute (e.g., Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), or the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act (Perkins)), along with accompanying program regulations, nonregulatory guidance, and grant award notifications.

Restrictions in state and local rules or policy also must be considered. For example, travel and other job-related expenses incurred by employees are not allowable unless they also are in compliance with board policy GAN, administrative regulations, and related procedures.

Whichever allowability requirements are stricter will govern whether a cost is allowable.

General allowability determination factors include the following:

1. **Be Necessary and Reasonable for the performance of the federal award.** A cost is reasonable if, in its nature and amount, it does not exceed that which would be incurred by a prudent person under the circumstances prevailing at the time the decision to incur the cost was made. For example, **reasonable** means that sound business practices were followed, and purchases were comparable to market prices.

   When determining reasonableness of a cost, consideration must be given to:

   - Whether the cost is a type generally recognized as ordinary and necessary for the operation of the district or the proper and efficient performance of the federal award.

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- The restraints or requirements imposed by factors, such as: sound business practices; arm's-length bargaining; federal, state and other laws and regulations; and terms and conditions of the federal award.

- Market prices for comparable goods or services for the geographic area.

- Whether the individual incurring the cost acted with prudence in the circumstances considering responsibilities to the district, its employees, its students, the public at large, and the federal government.

- Whether the district significantly deviates from its established practices and policies regarding the incurrence of costs, which may unjustifiably increase the federal award's cost. (2 CFR Sec. 200.404)

Whether a cost is **necessary** will be determined based on the needs of the program. Specifically, the expenditure must be necessary to achieve an important program objective. A key aspect in determining whether a cost is necessary is whether the district can demonstrate that the cost addresses an existing need, and can prove it. For example, the school entity may deem a language skills software program necessary for a limited English proficiency program.

When determining whether a cost is necessary, consideration may be given to:

- Whether the cost is needed for the proper and efficient performance of the federal award program.

- Whether the cost is identified in the approved budget or application.

- Whether there is an educational benefit associated with the cost.

- Whether the cost aligns with identified needs based on results and findings from a needs assessment.

- Whether the cost addresses program goals and objectives and is based on program data.

2. **Allocable to the federal award.** A cost is allocable to the federal award if the goods or services involved are chargeable or assignable to the federal award in accordance with the relative benefit received. This means that the federal grant program derived a benefit in proportion to the funds charged to the program. (2 CFR Sec. 200.405)

   For example, if fifty percent (50%) of a teacher's salary is paid with grant funds, then that teacher must spend at least fifty percent (50%) of his/her time on the grant program.

3. **Consistent with policies and procedures that apply uniformly to both federally-financed and other activities of the school entity.**

4. **Conform to any limitations or exclusions set forth as cost principles in Part 200 or in the terms and conditions of the federal award.**

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5. **Consistent treatment.** A cost cannot be assigned to a federal award as a direct cost if any other cost incurred for the same purpose in like circumstances has been assigned as an indirect cost under another award.

6. **Adequately documented.** All expenditures must be properly documented.

7. **Be calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), unless provided otherwise in Part 200.**

8. **Not included as a match or cost-share, unless the specific federal program authorizes federal costs to be treated as such.** Some federal program statutes require the nonfederal entity to contribute a certain amount of nonfederal resources to be eligible for the federal program.

9. **Be the net of all applicable credits.** The term "applicable credits" refers to those receipts or reduction of expenditures that operate to offset or reduce expense items allocable to the federal award. Typical examples of such transactions are: purchase discounts; rebates or allowances; recoveries or indemnities on losses; and adjustments of overpayments or erroneous charges. To the extent that such credits accruing to or received by the state relate to the federal award, they shall be credited to the federal award, either as a cost reduction or a cash refund, as appropriate. (2 CFR Sec. 200.406)

Selected Items of Cost

Subpart E of Part 200 sets forth principles to be applied in establishing the allowability of fifty-five (55) specific cost items (commonly referred to as Selected Items of Cost), at 2 CFR Sec. 200.420-200.475. These specific cost items are listed in the chart below along with the citation to the section of Subpart E addressing the allowability of that item. These principles are in addition to the other general allowability standards, and apply whether or not a particular item of cost is properly treated as direct cost or indirect (F&A) cost. Meeting the specific criteria for a listed item does not by itself mean the cost is allowable, as it may be unallowable under other standards or for other reasons, such as restrictions contained in the terms and conditions of a particular grant or restrictions established by the state or in Board policy. If an item is unallowable for any of these reasons, federal funds cannot be used to purchase it.

School district employees responsible for spending federal grant funds and for determining allowability must be familiar with and refer to the Part 200 selected items of cost section. These rules must be followed when charging these specific expenditures to a federal grant. When applicable, employees must check costs against the selected items of cost requirements to ensure the cost is allowable and also check state, district, and program-specific rules.

The selected item of cost addressed in Part 200 includes the following (in alphabetical order):

Item of Cost	Citation of Allowability Rule
Advertising and public relations costs	2 CFR § 200.421
Advisory councils	2 CFR § 200.422
Alcoholic beverages	2 CFR § 200.423
Alumni/ae activities	2 CFR § 200.424

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Audit services	2 CFR § 200.425
Bad debts	2 CFR § 200.426
Bonding costs	2 CFR § 200.427
Collection of improper payments	2 CFR § 200.428
Commencement and convocation costs	2 CFR § 200.429
Compensation – personal services	2 CFR § 200.430
Compensation – fringe benefits	2 CFR § 200.431
Conferences	2 CFR § 200.432
Contingency provisions	2 CFR § 200.433
Contributions and donations	2 CFR § 200.434
Defense and prosecution of criminal and civil proceedings, claims, appeals and patent infringements	2 CFR § 200.435
Depreciation	2 CFR § 200.436
Employee health and welfare costs	2 CFR § 200.437
Entertainment costs	2 CFR § 200.438
Equipment and other capital expenditures	2 CFR § 200.439
Exchange rates	2 CFR § 200.440
Fines, penalties, damages and other settlements	2 CFR § 200.441
Fund raising and investment management costs	2 CFR § 200.442
Gains and losses on disposition of depreciable assets	2 CFR § 200.443
General costs of government	2 CFR § 200.444
Goods and services for personal use	2 CFR § 200.445
Idle facilities and idle capacity	2 CFR § 200.446
Insurance and indemnification	2 CFR § 200.447
Intellectual property	2 CFR § 200.448
Interest	2 CFR § 200.449
Lobbying	2 CFR § 200.450
Losses on other awards or contracts	2 CFR § 200.451
Maintenance and repair costs	2 CFR § 200.452
Materials and supplies costs, including costs of computing devices	2 CFR § 200.453
Memberships, subscriptions, and professional activity costs	2 CFR § 200.454
Organization costs	2 CFR § 200.455
Participant support costs	2 CFR § 200.456
Plant and security costs	2 CFR § 200.457
Pre-award costs	2 CFR § 200.458
Professional services costs	2 CFR § 200.459
Proposal costs	2 CFR § 200.460
Publication and printing costs	2 CFR § 200.461

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Rearrangement and reconversion costs	2 CFR § 200.462
Recruiting costs	2 CFR § 200.463
Relocation costs of employees	2 CFR § 200.464
Rental costs of real property and equipment	2 CFR § 200.465
Scholarships and student aid costs	2 CFR § 200.466
Selling and marketing costs	2 CFR § 200.467
Specialized service facilities	2 CFR § 200.468
Student activity costs	2 CFR § 200.469
Taxes (including Value Added Tax)	2 CFR § 200.470
Termination costs	2 CFR § 200.471
Training and education costs	2 CFR § 200.472
Transportation costs	2 CFR § 200.473
Travel costs	2 CFR § 200.474
Trustees	2 CFR § 200.475

Helpful Questions for Determining Whether Costs are Allowable -

In addition to applying the cost principles and standards described above, district staff involved in expending federal funds should ask the following questions when assessing the allowability of a particular cost:

1. Is the proposed cost allowable under the relevant program?

2. Is the proposed cost consistent with an approved program plan and budget?

3. Is the proposed cost consistent with program specific fiscal rules? For example, the school entity may be required to use federal funds only to supplement the amount of funds available from nonfederal (and possibly other federal) sources, or only as a match for funds from nonfederal sources.

4. Is the proposed cost consistent with EDGAR?

5. Is the proposed cost consistent with specific conditions imposed on the grant (if applicable)?

6. Is the proposed cost consistent with the underlying needs of the program? For example, program funds must benefit the appropriate population of students for which they are allocated. This means that, for instance, funds allocated under Title III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) governing language instruction programs for Limited English Proficient (LEP) students must only be spent on LEP students and cannot be used to benefit non-LEP students.

7. Will the cost be targeted at addressing specific areas of weakness that are the focus of the program, as indicated by available data?

Any questions related to specific costs should be forwarded to the *{ } Superintendent { } Business Manager { } Federal Programs Coordinator* who shall consult with the board's legal counsel for clarification as appropriate.

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DFE Investment of Funds DFE

The investment of school district monies shall be the responsibility of the superintendent, business manager, and/or the district treasurer.

Any monies not immediately required for the purposes for which the monies were collected or received may be invested as provided by current statute.

Posting Securities

All investments of district monies shall be secured to 100% of the amount of district monies by F.D.I.C. coverage, a pledge of direct federal obligations or direct guaranteed federal agency deposits in accordance with requirements of state law. Exceptions to the required posting of securities shall be only as provided by law and approval of the board.

All offerings of monies for investment shall state the amount to be invested and the maturity date of each investment.

All banks and savings and loan associations with main or branch offices located within the county or adjoining counties of the district shall be given an opportunity to bid on all monies offered for investment. All bids shall be specified on the basis of simple interest.

Distribution of monies for investment shall be as follows:

The treasurer or other person designated by the board shall inform each eligible bank and savings and loan association of the total amount of money to be invested on a specified date and the maturity date of the investment.

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Each bank or savings and loan association bidding shall submit a single bid of the rate of interest it would pay on all or part of the funds to be invested.

Monies shall be invested with the highest bidder in such amount as the bidder will accept, and any remaining amounts shall be invested with the next highest bidders in order of interest rate offered. No bidder shall be eligible to receive any funds in the same offering at a rate lower than its single bid.

No bid less than the most recently determined investment rate as determined by the state treasurer shall be accepted. No funds will be invested for maturities of more than two years.

Any monies not otherwise invested in eligible banks and savings and loans located in the district due to their inability, for whatever reason, to accept the funds, shall be invested in secured deposits in banks or savings and loans which have offices located in counties in which a part of the school district is located or in adjoining counties.

Any monies not invested in banks and savings and loans in the district or located in counties in which a part of the school district is located may be invested in the municipal investment pool fund or United States Treasury bills or notes as authorized by Kansas law.

Monies available for reinvestment as a result of maturities may be reinvested with the bank or association holding such monies provided the bank or savings and loan association agrees to pay the same or higher rate as that offered by the highest bidder at the time of re-offer.

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In the event of identical high bids, the allocation of monies to be invested between the high bidders shall be at the discretion of the superintendent.

The treasurer shall record the following information: the date of each offering; the name of each bank or savings and loan association notified; the name of the officer notified; the bid, carried to five decimal places (.11111); the amount of monies the bank or savings and loan association is willing to accept at the rate bid.

To be eligible to receive invested funds or deposits from the district, any otherwise eligible bank or savings and loan association shall have on file in the office of the district treasurer a letter requesting its inclusion in the bidding process and providing proper assurance of compliance with requirements of applicable laws and board policy relating to maintenance of proper security and assurance of its membership in good standing consistent with current federal regulations. The superintendent shall report monthly to the board on the district's investments.

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DFG **Fees, Payments and Rentals (See KG)** **DFG**

Proceeds from fees for building or equipment use or rental will be credited to the general fund.

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DFK **Gifts and Bequests** **DFK**

Income derived from gifts and bequests will be credited, if possible, as specified by the board.

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DFM **Equipment and Supplies Sales** **DFM**

Excess or unusable district-owned equipment and supplies will be disposed of at the discretion of the board.

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DH Bonded Employees DH

The board shall purchase a blanket fidelity bond for school employees. The amount of the bond shall be determined by the board.

A position bond in the amount of $10,000 is required for the treasurer. A blanket bond for $5,000 shall be purchased by the board for all other district employees.

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DIC **Inventories** **DIC**

An accounting will be made annually for all district-owned personal property.

An inventory record system shall be developed by the superintendent. All inventory records shall be annually updated showing deletions and additions, the estimated value, original cost (where available), date of purchase, serial numbers (where available) and location and condition of each piece of district-owned personal property.

Each building principal shall take an annual inventory of district-owned personal property under the direction of the superintendent. Inventory forms shall be developed by the superintendent. One copy of each inventory taken in an attendance center shall be filed in that building, and one copy shall be filed in the central office with the clerk.

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DJB **Petty Cash Accounts** **DJB**

The board may establish petty cash accounts by resolution. All petty cash funds will be audited annually at the same time as the general fund budget. The board shall also receive monthly reports of the expenditures from and reimbursements to each petty cash account.

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[RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH PETTY CASH FUND]

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. ____, _____ County, Kansas, has determined that the creation of a petty cash fund is an efficient method to pay expenses for school district purposes in emergencies.

WHEREAS, Kansas law authorizes the establishment of petty cash funds;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. ____, _____ County, Kansas that a petty cash fund designated as the _____ Building Petty Cash Fund is created for the purpose of receiving and expending funds for needed district expenditures in an emergency. The fund shall be in the amount of $_____.*

The fund shall be administered by _____. The _____ shall keep a record of all receipts and expenditures of the fund and shall prepare and file with the Board a statement showing all receipts, expenditures and balance at the end of each _____ and at the end of each school year. An itemized receipt shall be maintained for each expenditure. Any person authorized to administer a petty cash fund shall be bonded by the school district.

Upon proper report to the board, the petty cash fund shall be replenished by payment from the appropriate fund of the school district.

The petty cash fund shall not be loaned or advanced against the salary of any employee.

Funds in the petty cash fund shall remain district funds but shall not be considered school money for purposes of K.S.A. 72-1136 and the provisions of K.S.A. 12-105b shall not apply.

ADOPTED by the Board of Education of Unified School District ____, _____ County, Kansas, the _____ day of _____, 20 ___.

[NOTE: A separate resolution must be adopted for each petty cash fund.]

* Not to Exceed $1500.00

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DJE Purchasing DJE

The purchasing, receiving, storing and distribution of supplies, equipment and services for use in the district shall be managed efficiently and economically.

Purchasing Authority

The board shall appoint a purchasing agent for the district.

The purchasing agent or the superintendent will approve in advance any expenditure of school district funds for materials, goods, wares, construction, reconstruction or remodeling.

Expenditures amounting to less than $1,000 will be approved on a requisition form by the purchasing agent or the superintendent. Expenditures amounting to less than $2,500 but more than $1,000 will be made on a requisition form after the purchasing agent has solicited at least three bids for consideration and approval by the purchasing agent or the superintendent.

Purchases involving a cost of between $2,500 and $10,000 - Board policy requires that competitive pricing be obtained. This may be done by means of email, fax or regular postal mail. After review and selection of the low bidder, you may submit a requisition for purchase order to the superintendent. A summary of the bids must be submitted along with the requisition for purchase order. A form has been developed for this purpose and may be obtained at the board office.

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Purchases equal to or in excess of $10,000

Any expenditure of school district funds equal to or in excess of $10,000 must be approved in advance by the board through sealed bids.

Exceptions must be approved in advance by the purchasing agent or the superintendent; to include but not limited to, an emergency in the physical plant requiring immediate attention, daily maintenance parts and expendables, food service specialty items, transportation parts, etc. The provisions of this policy shall not apply to expenditures for services.

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DJEB Quality Control DJEB

The board reserves the right to establish the specifications for and quality of goods or services purchased by the district.

Specifications

It is the responsibility of the originator of a purchase request to see that all specifications requested are complete.

Standardization

Whenever possible, standard lists of supplies and equipment shall be developed in all budget areas.

Quantity Purchasing

Quantity purchasing is encouraged.

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All purchases requiring competitive bids shall be made in accordance with current statutes.

The purchasing agent shall develop and maintain lists of potential suppliers. Bid lists shall be used to notify potential bidders.

Any supplier may be included in the list upon request. All bid lists shall be reviewed annually by the purchasing agent.

A copy of this policy shall be given to all bidders upon request.

All bids and supporting documentation shall be retained in the district office with the clerk for a period of three years after bids have been opened.

Bid Specifications

All bid specifications shall be written by the district's purchasing agent and shall include required characteristics and quality standards. Specifications shall include, when necessary: required performance, surety, bid, and statutory bond information; compliance with preferential bid law; financial statements; the board's right to reject any or all bids; compliance with all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations; the date, time, and place for the opening of bids; and other items as the board directs.

The board shall avoid negotiation of bid specifications after bids have been accepted and shall correct specifications if they are inadequately written and request new bids. If an error is discovered in the bid specifications, all bids shall be returned unopened, and the project shall be rebid using corrected and/or amended specifications.

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Procedure

All bids must be submitted to the clerk in sealed envelopes with the name of the bidder and the date of the bid opening plainly marked in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope. All bids shall be opened publicly on the stated date and time. All bidders and other interested persons may be present when the bids are opened.

Bids may be opened by the purchasing agent or other person designated by the board, and such opening shall be witnessed by one other district employee. The bids shall then be arranged in order from low to high before they are presented to the board for action.

Responsible Bidder

All bids shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. The board remains the sole judge of whether a bidder is "responsible." Criteria that may be used to judge whether the bidder is responsible by way of illustration and not limitation, are: financial standing, reputation, experience, prior working relationship with the district, resources, facilities, judgment, and efficiency.

The board may investigate whether the bidder is responsible by using information at hand to form an intelligent judgment, such as, but not necessarily limited to, the district's architect, previous clients of the bidder, their own investigation, or an outside investigation agency.

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Withdrawal of Bids

Any bid may be withdrawn and/or corrected prior to the scheduled time for opening of bids and no later than two days after the bids have been opened if a non-judgmental error has been made.

Any bid received after the publicized date and time shall not be considered by the board.

Rejection of Bids

The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to ask for new bids. This reservation shall be specified in the publication or notification of bid letting.

The board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or reject any parts of a bid.

Multi-State Purchasing Pools

The board may participate in multi-state purchasing pools.

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DJEE **Local Purchasing** **DJEE**

The purchasing agent shall make purchases from local vendors when the price, availability of the product and service are competitive with outside vendors for purchases not subject to the bidding law. The board shall not grant preferential bid percentages to local contractors or businesses except as provided by statute.

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DJEF Requisitions DJEF

The purchasing agent shall develop a requisition form to be used by staff members requesting that certain goods be purchased for the district.

All requisitions shall be submitted to the purchasing agent by the designated deadline. After a purchase order has been issued, the number of the purchase order shall be recorded on the requisition, and the number of the requisition shall be recorded on the purchase order. After processing, the original copy of the requisition shall be filed in the office of the purchasing agent in numerical sequence.

The school or district entity shall not be used to order or purchase supplies, goods, or wares for the personal use of employees. Use of the "school entity" in this manner would include, but may not be limited to, the use of the school or district's name, letterhead, purchase order, fund, credit card, and/or check.

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DJEG **Purchase Orders and Contracts** **DJEG**

The purchasing agent shall develop an order form compatible with the requisition form to be used in purchasing goods, and shall be authorized to sign all purchase orders.

Each purchase order shall include:

A specification of the item which adequately describes the characteristics and the quality standards; a quoted, firm, net, delivered price, whenever possible, and prices shown both per unit and as extended; clear delivery instructions which include time and place; a signature of the purchasing agent and budget account code number; and the appropriate address and telephone number.

All purchase orders shall be numbered in sequence; sufficient copies will be made to meet distribution requirements.

A verbal order, subject to subsequent confirmation by a written purchase order, may be issued only in cases where a bona fide emergency exists. Whenever possible, a purchase order number should be given to the supplier. A confirming requisition/purchase order shall be issued immediately thereafter and clearly marked as such.

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DJEJ **Payment Procedures** **DJEJ**

The superintendent shall recommend payment to vendors and suppliers for goods and services upon satisfactory receipt of all goods or completion of all services and for which there is a district purchase order number issued as provided for in board policy. (See DJEG)

The board shall consider payment of bills recommended for payment at regular board meetings except as provided for in policy. (See DJFAB)

The board may designate one or more employees to pay bills in advance of any board meeting in order to avoid a penalty for late payment or to take advantage of any early payment discount.

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DJFA **Purchasing Authority** **DJFA**

The superintendent is authorized to execute contracts on behalf of the district for the purchase of goods and services if the amount is less than $10,000. The board shall receive reports on any contracts.

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DJFAB **Administrative Leeway (See CMA)** **DJFAB**

In an emergency, the superintendent shall have the authority to make expenditures necessary to prevent additional damage to district property, to keep the schools open or to reopen schools. Emergency purchases shall be ratified by the board at the next regular or special board meeting.

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DK Student Activity Fund Management (See JH) DK

Any activity which involves the expenditure of activity funds shall be subject to prior approval of the principal.

Activity Fund Management

The building principals shall maintain an accurate record of all student activity funds in the respective attendance centers. No funds shall be expended from these accounts except in support of the student activity program. No activity account shall have a negative balance.

The board shall receive a monthly report on all activity accounts.

All student activity funds will be audited annually at the same time as the general fund budget.

Activity Fund Deposits

Activity funds from gate receipts or other sources may be deposited directly into a bank account maintained for this purpose.

Inactive Activity Funds (See JH)

The board will assume control of all inactive activity funds and disburse those funds to other activity accounts or expend the funds as directed by the board.

Each student activity fund shall have an employee in charge of the fund. The employee shall be responsible for making a monthly report to the superintendent and the board.

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The monthly student activity report shall show opening and closing balances of each fund. The report shall also show the total amount of deposits and an itemized list of expenditures.

Activity Fund Management

All payments from student activity funds shall be made from purchase orders signed by the employee responsible for the fund.

Receipts shall be kept for all revenue deposited into the activity fund of each attendance center. All payments from the activity fund shall be by checks provided for that purpose.

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[RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH ACTIVITY FUND]

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. ____, _____ County, Kansas, has determined that the creation of an activity fund is an efficient method to pay expenses for student activities; and

WHEREAS, Kansas law authorizes the establishment of school activity funds;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. ____, _____ County, Kansas, that an activity fund designated as the _____ fund is created for the purpose of receiving and expending funds for student activities, including athletics, music, forensics, dramatics and other board approved student extra-curricular activities.

The fund shall be administered by _____. The _____ shall keep a record of all receipts and expenditures of the fund and shall prepare and file with the Board a statement showing all receipts, expenditures and balance at the end of each _____ and at the end of each school year. Any person authorized to administer an activity fund shall be bonded by the school district.

Funds in the activity fund shall remain district funds but shall not be considered school money for purposes of K.S.A. 72-1132 and the provisions of K.S.A. 12-105b shall not apply.

ADOPTED by the Board of Education of Unified School District ____, _____ County, Kansas, the ____ day of _____, 20___.

[NOTE: A separate resolution must be adopted for each activity fund.]

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DP Collection Procedures (See EE and JS) **DP**

Unpaid Fees and Negative Account Balances

Unpaid or overdue accounts disrupt accounting practices within the district. All persons who owe overdue fees or have negative account balances with the district shall be notified of the delinquency up to three times in not less than ten day increments by the superintendent or superintendent's designee via letter sent by U.S. First Class Mail providing that the individual owes the district fees or that a specified account has insufficient funds or a negative balance and the reason for the fees or account withdrawals.

If, within ten days after the second notice was mailed, the debt is not paid in full or arrangements have not been made with the superintendent or superintendent's designee to pay it, a third and final notice shall be sent to the debtor by mail. Postage and stationary costs may be added to the original bill.

If full payment is not received by the clerk within ten days after mailing of the final notice, authorization for the enforcement of collection may be obtained through the local small claims court in compliance with Kansas statutes, the superintendent or superintendent's designee may turn the matter over to legal counsel to commence debt collection proceedings on behalf of the district, or the matter may be handled through the Kansas SetOff Program.

Insufficient Funds Checks

Option 1:

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee is authorized to request charges to be filed against a person or persons giving worthless or insufficient fund checks to the school district. In addition, the board adopts the

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following procedures for dealing with returned checks in the school setting.

Once the person is notified of the first returned check via U.S. First Class Mail, if restitution is made within five working days from the notification being mailed, there will be no charge for a returned check. If after a second notification is sent, restitution is not made within an additional five working days, a fee of $10.00 will be charged.

- If a person has a second returned check, he/she will be notified and assessed a $15.00 fee, providing restitution is made within five working days. After the second notification is mailed concerning the second returned check, a fee of $20.00 will be assessed.
- For a third returned check, the person will be notified, assessed a $30.00 fee, and informed that the district and its schools will not accept any future checks from such person. All future payments to the district or individual schools would then need to be in the form of cash, cashier's check, or credit/debit card payment.
- If restitution of the third check is not made within five working days from mailing the final notification, the superintendent or superintendent's designee will be notified, and the superintendent or superintendent's designee may turn the matter over to the county attorney for legal action.

Option 2:

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee is authorized to retain the services of a bad check collection agency to collect funds due to the district upon receipt of insufficient funds checks.

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EA Goals and Objectives EA

The district's business affairs shall be managed in the most economical and efficient manner possible.

The superintendent has authority to manage the district's business affairs.

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EB Buildings and Grounds Management EB

All district buildings and property shall be maintained and inspected on a regular basis.

The superintendent shall develop a comprehensive program which will ensure proper maintenance of all district-owned property.

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EBA Insurance Program EBA

All district-owned property, real and personal, will be insured to cover losses from natural causes, fire, vandalism and other casualties. Insurance shall also cover theft of district monies.

Liability Other Than For Vehicles

To the extent permitted by law, the board may insure all employees against legal action arising out of the performance of any authorized duties. The board may authorize the district to join a group-funded pool to provide insurance coverage for the district.

The district may designate one or more insurance agents of record. The superintendent may work with the insurance agent of record or group-funded pool to develop adequate insurance programs and/or proposals covering the district's employees and property.

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EBAA Workers Compensation EBAA

The district will participate in workers compensation as required by current statute. The combined workers' compensation benefits and salary received under allowed sick leave, or other available leave, shall not exceed one full day's pay.

All employees of the district shall be covered by workers compensation. Workers compensation coverage is provided for all employees regardless of assignment, length of assignment, and/or hours worked per day. Benefits are for personal injury from accident or industrial diseases arising out of and in the course of employment in the district.

The workers compensation plan will provide coverage for medical expenses and wages to the extent required by statute to those employees who qualify; however, the amount of workers compensation benefits and sick leave benefits shall not exceed a regular daily rate of pay. An employee using sick leave, or other available leave, in combination with workers compensation will be charged for one full or partial day of sick leave, as provided for in the sick leave policy or the negotiated agreement, for each day of absence until the employee's sick leave is exhausted.

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Any employee who is off work and drawing workers compensation shall be required to provide the clerk of the board with a written doctor's release before the employee is allowed to return to work. In addition, should the employee be released to return to work by a doctor and fail to do so, all benefits under sick leave shall be ended and those benefits under workers compensation shall be restricted as provided by current statute.

Choice of Physician

The board shall have the right to choose a designated health care provider to provide medical assistance to any employee who suffers an injury while performing their job.

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EBB **Safety** (See JBH**)** **EBB**

The district shall make reasonable efforts to provide a safe environment for students and employees.

Safety Rules - The superintendent and staff shall develop necessary rules and regulations for student safety in school and at school activities.

Safety Unit - Teachers who instruct in hazardous curriculum areas will teach a unit each year or semester dedicated to safety rules inherent in the particular subject matter.

Appropriate safety signs, slogans, or other safety items shall be posted on or in the near vicinity of potentially dangerous devices or machinery.

No student will be permitted to participate in the class until satisfactory knowledge of the safety rules are demonstrated to the teacher. Teachers will conduct periodic reviews of safety rules during the school year.

Warning System - The board will seek to cooperate with local government officials, emergency preparedness authorities, and other related state agencies to maintain adequate disaster warning systems.

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Safety Inspections - The superintendent, building principals, and maintenance personnel will regularly inspect each attendance center, playground and playground equipment, boilers, bleachers, and other appropriate areas to see that they are adequately maintained. Written records of these inspections shall be maintained.

If repairs are necessary, the individual conducting the investigation shall immediately inform the building principal, superintendent, or immediate supervisor in writing. Necessary steps either to repair or to remove the defect will be taken as soon as possible. Defects requiring expenditure of money in excess of $1,000 will be reported to the board. Any defects not immediately removed, repaired, or otherwise eliminated shall be blocked off with fences or other restraining devices.

Heating and Lighting - All furnaces, boilers, and lighting fixtures will be inspected annually to ensure safety for students, district employees, and patrons. These devices shall meet minimum state and federal standards.

The use of space heaters in district buildings is permitted so long as all heaters are: UL listed and approved; plugged directly into the wall outlet and not used with an extension cord; and have a 3 foot clearance from any combustible items that may catch fire.

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Combustible items include, but are not limited to, paper products, clothing, and blankets. Staff members who wish to bring their own space heater shall first get the approval of their immediate supervisor.

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EBBA Hazardous Waste Inspection and Disposal EBBA

Inspection

Regular inspection of district facilities for hazardous waste shall be conducted by the Director of Maintenance. Written records of these inspections shall be maintained.

Disposal

When hazardous waste material is produced in a class, or otherwise located in the district, its disposal shall be in accordance with state and federal rules and regulations, or current law.

Rules

The superintendent shall develop written rules and procedures for notifying district administrators that hazardous waste has been discovered and/or produced and rules for reporting the proper disposal of waste. These rules and regulations shall be distributed to all staff members in classified and certified handbooks.

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EBBD Evacuations and Emergencies EBBD

If an emergency interferes with the normal conduct of school affairs, students may be dismissed from school only by the superintendent. A plan for emergency dismissal of students during the school day shall be developed by the superintendent and approved by the board. A copy shall be filed with the clerk and procedures for dismissal shall be given to parents and students at the beginning of each school year.

School will not be dismissed early because of an emergency when the safety of students and teachers is better served by remaining at school.

During an emergency period when there is insufficient warning time, the district will keep all students under school jurisdiction and supervision. The staff shall remain on duty to supervise students during this time. Parents may come to school and pick up their children. Students shall be released according to board policy for release of students during the school day. (See JBH)

School-Closing Announcements

When the superintendent believes the safety of students is threatened by severe weather or other circumstances, parents and students shall be notified of school closings or cancellations by announcements made over radio/TV station(s), KAIR, KNZA, WIBW-TV, KSNT, KTKA.

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Bomb Threats

If there is a bomb threat or similar emergency, the principal shall see that students are escorted to a safe place. The principal shall notify law enforcement agencies of the threat and request a thorough inspection of the buildings and grounds. Other contingencies as noted in the crisis plan shall be followed.

If it is determined that no danger exists to the students' safety and if there is time remaining in the school day, school shall be resumed.

Planning for Emergencies

Each building principal shall develop appropriate emergency procedures which shall be included in the district's crisis plans. (See EBBF) As appropriate, portions of the crisis plan developed shall be held in strict confidence by staff members having direct responsibility for implementing the plan.

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EBBE Emergency Drills EBBE

Building principals shall be responsible for scheduling and conducting emergency and safety drills as required by law and for ensuring students are instructed in the procedures to follow during the drills and in an actual emergency.

Each building principal shall develop a written plan for specific emergency drills required by law. The plan shall include specific arrangements for the evacuation of mobility impaired and other individuals who may need assistance from staff members to safely exit the building. Although plans for evacuation are essential, the state fire marshal may grant exemptions to the number or manner of drills required by law with regard to students receiving special education or related services, upon request.

Each principal shall conduct briefings with the staff concerning the emergency plan.

Each teacher shall explain relevant portions of the plan to students under their jurisdiction prior to a date established by the principal. Within one week thereafter, the building principal shall conduct a surprise drill. Other drills shall be held at times determined by the building principal.

The four fire drills and three crisis drills required by law may be scheduled at any time during the school year. However, the two tornado drills required shall be conducted in September and March. All these drills must be conducted by each school during school hours and cannot be made part of regular dismissal at the close of the school day.

Each emergency and safety drill plan shall be reviewed by the superintendent and filed with the clerk.

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EBBF Crisis Planning (See EBBD) EBBF

The superintendent, in cooperation with each building principal, shall develop a plan to deal with crises in an attendance center. Each plan shall be approved by the board before it is implemented.

A copy of the plan shall be on file in each building and with the clerk.

Building principals shall train staff to implement the building plan. As necessary, students and parents will be informed about details of the plan.

Crisis plans shall be subject to regular review by the administration. If a plan is implemented, the board shall receive a report on how well the plan worked. If necessary, the report shall include recommended changes.

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EBC **Security and Safety** **EBC**

(See JCAC, JCDBB, JDD, JDDB, JDDC, JGGA, and KGD)

Security devices may be installed at district attendance centers. Other measures may be taken to prevent intrusions or disturbances from occurring in school buildings or trespassing on school grounds. The district will cooperate with law enforcement in security matters and shall, as required by law and by this policy, report felonies and misdemeanors committed at school, on school property or at school-sponsored activities.

Reporting Crimes at School to Law Enforcement - Unless reporting would violate the terms of any memorandum of understanding between the district and local law enforcement, any district employee who knows or has reason to believe any of the following has occurred at school; on school property; or at a school-sponsored activity, program, or event shall immediately report this information to local law enforcement.

Reportable events would include:

- any act which constitutes the commission of a felony or a misdemeanor; or
- any act which involves the possession, use, or disposal of explosives, firearms, or other weapons as defined in current law.

It is recommended the building administrator also be notified.

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Reporting Certain Students to Administrators and Staff - Administrative, professional, or paraprofessional employees of a school who have information that any of the following has occurred shall report the information and the identity of the student responsible to the superintendent.

Reportable events include:

- A student being expelled for conduct which endangers the safety of others;
- A student being expelled for commission of felony type offenses;
- A student being expelled for possession of a weapon;
- A student being adjudged to be a juvenile offender for an offense, which, if committed by an adult, would constitute a felony, except a felony theft offense involving no direct threat to human life;
- A student being tried and convicted as an adult for any felony, except theft involving no direct threat to human life.

The superintendent shall investigate the matter and, if it is confirmed, the superintendent shall provide appropriate information and the identity of the student responsible to all employees who are involved in or likely to be directly involved in teaching or providing related services to the student.

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Annual Reports - The principal of each building shall prepare all reports required by law and present them to the board and the state board of education annually. Reports shall not include any personally identifiable information about students. These reports and this policy may be made available upon request to parents, patrons, students, employees, and others.

Staff Immunity - No board of education, board member, superintendent of schools, or school employee shall be liable for damages in a civil action resulting from a person's good faith acts or omission in complying with the requirements or provisions of the Kansas school safety and security act.

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Retype to suit local needs, remove from policy book and file with the clerk and principals. Form could also be included in staff or student handbooks.

Report to Local Law Enforcement

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Pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6143, the administrator or other school employee whose signature appears below is reporting the following crimes.

{Briefly describe each incident and the person/s involved in felonies, mis-demeanors and weapons}

Date	**School/Location**	**Student/s or Person/s Involved**	**Brief Description**
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

School Districts are required by Federal Law and K.S.A. 72-6311 to protect the privacy rights of students under the age of 18.

Signed:_____
Administrator or other school employee.

cc: Superintendent of Schools, USD ____ Student/s file

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– Sample Form –

Retype to suit local needs, remove from policy book and file with the clerk and principals. Form could also be included in staff or student handbooks.

Report to Staff Member USD 377

Pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6143, administrative, professional or paraprofessional employees of a school who have information that a pupil has engaged in the following shall report the information and the identity of the student to the superintendent. The superintendent shall investigate the matter and if it is determined the student has been involved in the following, the superintendent shall provide information, and the identity of the pupil to all employees who are involved or likely to be directly involved, in teaching or providing related services to pupil:

1. Any student who has been expelled for conduct which endangers the safety of others;
2. Any student who has been expelled for commission of felony type offenses;
3. Any student who has been expelled for possession of a weapon;
4. Any student who has been adjudged to be a juvenile offender and whose offense, if committed by an adult, would constitute a felony, except a felony theft offense involving no direct threat to human life;
5. Any student who has been tried and convicted as an adult of any felony, except theft involving no direct threat to human life.

You are notified that _____, within the past 365 days, has been expelled, adjudged or convicted for an activity listed above.

School District staff are required by both Federal Law and K.S.A. 72-6311 to protect the right of privacy of any student under the age of 18 and the student's family regarding personally identifiable records, files, data and information directly related to the student and his/her family. I acknowledge this responsibility and agree that I will disclose the above information only to other USD ### employees and officials. Violation of these privacy rights could include sanctions up to and including termination.

Signed:_____
School employee who receives the report

Signed:_____
Administrator or school employee making report

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Vandalism Protection - All school personnel shall report any vandalism to their immediate supervisor. School personnel are expected to lock or otherwise secure any files, records, safes or similar compartments at the close of each school day.

In the event of vandalism, the board may offer a reward according to law.

Restitution for Damages - The board shall seek restitution according to law for loss and damage sustained by the district.

The principal shall notify the superintendent of any loss of, or damage to, district property. The superintendent shall investigate the incident. The cost involved in repairing the damage and/or replacing equipment will be determined after consultation with appropriate personnel.

When a juvenile is involved, the superintendent shall contact the parents and explain their legal responsibility. The parents shall be notified in writing of the dollar amount of loss or damage. Routine procedures will be followed for any necessary follow-up to secure restitution from the responsible party.

Restitution payments shall be made by juveniles or their parents to the business office, and accounts shall be kept. Persons of legal age shall be held responsible

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for their own payments. If necessary, provisions may be made for installment payments.

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Accounts not paid in full within the specified time may be processed for legal action.

Return of School Property

School property must be returned by students. If a student does not return district property, the superintendent may take action allowed by law.

Offering a Reward

The board may offer a reward for information leading to the discovery, arrest and conviction of persons committing acts of vandalism. The offer will conform to state law and the policy adopted by the board.

When the board decides to offer a reward, the notice to be published by the superintendent shall conform to the following:

> The board of education, as authorized by K.S.A. 12-1672a, hereby offers an up to $500.00 reward to any person who first provides information leading to the discovery, arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for acts of vandalism on property, real or personal, owned by the school district or rightfully located on school district premises by its employees or students.
>
> Persons having any knowledge are urged to contact the superintendent of schools at Atchison County USD 377, 506 6th Street, P.O. Box 289, Effingham, KS 66023-0289, telephone 913-833-5050. The board reserves the right to determine the deserving recipients of the reward in the event of corroborating and supplementary information.

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EBE Cleaning and Maintenance Programs EBE

The director of maintenance shall develop building and grounds cleaning and maintenance programs for board approval. After approval the plans shall be shared with the appropriate administrators and classified staff.

Sanitation

The director of maintenance shall develop cleaning schedules to see that all attendance centers and grounds are free from litter and refuse.

Cleaning, sanitation and routine maintenance plans shall be developed by the director of maintenance and may be published in the appropriate handbook(s) or job descriptions and/or employment contracts after board approval.

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EBI Long-Range Maintenance Program EBI

The superintendent shall develop annually priority lists outlining long-range maintenance of school property, buildings and grounds.

The superintendent shall present a report to the board annually concerning the district's maintenance priorities. A cost analysis report shall be attached to the report.

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EBJ Records **EBJ**

All records pertaining to district-wide maintenance costs shall be filed in the central office. When practical, a cost analysis of existing and proposed maintenance programs shall be developed by the superintendent.

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EC Equipment and Supplies Management EC

The superintendent shall keep up-to-date inventory records on all equipment and supplies.

Receiving

All packing lists will be checked against all invoices for accuracy by the superintendent or person responsible for receiving supplies.

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ECA HIPAA Policy (Also see JRB) ECA

The district shall comply with all applicable Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) provisions ensuring the confidentiality of protected health information.

Staff Training Required

The district shall provide appropriate and timely professional development activities regarding HIPAA requirements.

Compliance Required

All staff shall abide by HIPAA requirements and maintain the confidentiality of protected health information. The district shall provide notice to staff and students as required by law.

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ECH **Printing and Duplicating Services** **ECH**

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Any duplication of copyrighted materials by district employees must be done with permission of the copyright holder or within the bounds of "fair use."

The legal or insurance protection of the district shall not be extended to school employees who violate any provisions of the copyright laws.

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ED Student Transportation Management (See JGG) ED

Use of buses by the district shall conform to current state law. At times it may be expedient to pay mileage to parents who transport their child to a specified point to meet the bus, or to provide private transportation in lieu of providing bus service. Mileage payments to parents may be made only with board approval.

Except as may be permitted elsewhere in policy, district buses shall not be available for use by outside groups. (See EDDA)

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EDAA **School Vehicles (District-Owned Buses)** **EDAA**
(See ED, JBCA, and JGG)

School buses and other school vehicles will not be loaned, leased or subcontracted to any person, groups of persons or organizations except as allowed by law subject to board approval.

Liability - All school vehicles will be adequately insured.

Safety - For the purposes of this policy, "school transportation provider" is defined to include school bus drivers, school passenger vehicle drivers, and other school employees who may transport students.

Every school transportation provider shall have a valid driver's license. Such drivers shall have full authority and responsibility for the passengers riding in school vehicles.

Students or other persons riding in school buses or school vehicles who violate district policy or bus and/or school vehicle rules will be reported to the proper administrative official. Violations of these policies and/or rules may result in disciplinary action by school officials or reports to law enforcement as appropriate.

Speed Limits - The board may set speed limits for district buses, which may be lower than state-allowed maximum speed limits.

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Safety Inspection - The superintendent shall be responsible for bus and other transportation inspections.

Defects found in school vehicles shall be repaired as soon as possible. The director of transportation shall be responsible for keeping school vehicles in good operating condition.

Scheduling and Routing - Scheduling and routing shall be the responsibility of the superintendent.

Bus and transportation schedules and routing maps will be updated annually prior to the start of school.

Records - Every school transportation provider will keep accurate records pertaining to each assigned vehicle. The types of records shall be developed by the superintendent.

Any record developed by the administration for the purpose of monitoring vehicle use will include, but may not be limited to, the following information: miles driven each trip, gas and oil usage, purpose of the trip, destination, time

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of departure, and time of return. Such records will be signed by each driver at the conclusion of each trip and submitted to the person responsible for collection of these records. An annual summary report will be used in the compilation of the district's budget. A copy of the annual report may be given to the board on or before the regular board meeting in June or upon request.

Licensing of Drivers - It shall be the responsibility of all school transportation providers to register with the superintendent annually the validity of license certification by the Kansas Department of Revenue. If a school transportation provider's license is suspended or revoked at any time, the suspension or revocation shall be reported to the superintendent and the employee shall immediately cease driving a school vehicle and transporting students.
School transportation providers shall receive a copy of this policy annually on registering their driving certification with the superintendent.

Housing of School Vehicles - All school vehicles shall be housed in areas designated by the superintendent. Buses may be housed in the district's central storage area or assigned to a designated driver who may then house the bus as directed.

If district cars or vans are assigned to designated employees, the employee shall be responsible for the proper care, maintenance, and housing of the vehicle either at a district-owned site or at the employee's residence.

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Transportation to Summer Athletic Events - The board authorizes the superintendent to approve the use of school buses or other school vehicles in transporting district students to summer athletic activities such as, but not limited to, camps, 7-on-7, and summer league games.

Any staff requests for such use shall be submitted to the superintendent on or before May 1st and shall include information concerning the time, date, and duration of trip; the purpose of the transportation; the projected number of students requiring transportation for such event; the type of bus(es) or vehicle(s) requested; which district staff member(s) will be accompanying the student(s) on such trips; and whether or not additional school transportation providers would be required to provide such transport.

The superintendent may grant or deny such requests after taking into consideration the following factors: 1) the expense of providing requested transport; 2) the availability of funds for such purpose; 3) the availability of adequate school staff to chaperone and/or provide transportation; 4) the availability of and/or the coverage of liability insurance for this purpose; 5) priority of assignment and availability of necessary vehicles; 6) Title IX and other fairness considerations in granting use or repeated use to a particular group of student athletes; and 7) other good cause as determined by the superintendent.

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EDAE **Private Vehicles** **EDAE**

Off-road private motorized vehicles shall be prohibited on school grounds. The superintendent or his designee may authorize exemptions to this policy for purposes that serve the best interests of the district and community.

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EDDA **Special Use of School Buses** **EDDA**

The board may allow for special uses of district buses using guidelines established in this policy. Transportation fees may be charged to offset totally or in part the cost of approved special trips. Revenues received by the board under the provisions of this policy shall not be considered a reduction of operating expenses of the school district. Groups allowed use of buses under this policy are responsible for the care and cleaning of the buses, and for the supervision of passengers. The types of groups allowed, and the restrictions placed on the activities these groups may sponsor while using district transportation, shall be approved by the board and filed with the clerk. Groups allowed use of district buses may not travel outside Kansas.

Special uses will not be approved without insurance coverage.

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A supervisor may be hired by the board to oversee the district's food service program.

Sanitation Inspections

The building principal shall inspect each lunchroom to ensure that proper sanitation procedures are being followed.

Records

The supervisor shall be responsible for keeping food service records required by state and federal laws and regulations.

The supervisor shall be under the direct supervision of the superintendent and shall have control over all aspects of the district's food service programs subject to board policy, rules and state and federal regulations.

Meal Prices

Meal prices shall be determined by the board.

Free and Reduced Price Meals

Parents or guardians of students attending schools participating in federal school meal programs must be informed of the availability of reimbursable school meals and provided with information about eligibility and the process for applying for free or reduced price meals on or before the start of school each year.

Unpaid Meal Charges

The district's meal charging requirements are as follows.

A charge account for students paying full or reduced price for meals may be established with the district. Students may charge no more than $20 worth of meals to this account, charging of a la carte or extra items to this account will not be permitted.

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Any student failing to keep his/her account solvent as required by the district shall not be allowed to charge further meals until the negative account balance has been paid in full.

However, such students will be allowed to purchase a meal if the student pays for the meal when it is received. Students who have charged the maximum allowance to this account and cannot pay out of pocket for a meal will be provided an alternate meal consisting of a peanut butter, peanut butter alternative, or cheese sandwich and milk.

At least one written warning shall be provided to a student and his/her parent or guardian prior to denying meals for exceeding the district's charge limit. If payment of the negative balance is not received within 5 working days of the maximum charge limit being attained, the debt will be turned over to the superintendent or superintendent's designee for collection in accordance with board policy DP. If the debt is not paid within 10 days of mailing the final notice of the negative account balance under policy DP, it shall be considered bad debt for the purposes of federal law concerning unpaid meal charges.

Payments for school meals may be made at the school or district office or online at https://usd377.revtrak.net/. Students, parents, and guardians of students are encouraged to prepay meal costs.

The district will provide a copy of this unpaid meal charges policy to all households at or before the start of school each year and to families and students that transfer into the district at the time of transfer. The terms of this policy will also be communicated to all district staff responsible for enforcing any aspect of the policy. Records of how and when it is communicated to households and staff will be retained.

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EF Data Management **EF**

Data Dissemination

Data collected by the district may be disseminated with board approval in accordance with current law.

To Education Agencies

Data collected in the district may be provided to authorized state or federal government education agencies upon proper request, subject to the approval of the board or provisions of law.

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*FDBF Site Availability Projections
*FDBFA Investment in Sites
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*FDC Naming New Facilities
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*FEA Project Planning Involvement
*FEAA Consultants (See BBG, CJ)
*FEAB Architects
*FEAC Attorney
*FEAD Staff
*FEAE Community
*FEAF Local Government
*FEAG State Government
*FEAH Federal Government
*FEB Educational Specifications
SN Detailed, precise, expert presentation of a plan or proposal for educational facilities including equipment, classrooms, laboratories, curriculum, etc.

*FEC Architectural Programming
SN The process of identification and systematic organization of the functional, architectural, structural, mechanical, and esthetic criteria which influence decision making for the design of a functional space, building or facility.

*FED Plans and Specifications
*FEDA Site
*FEDB Construction
*FEDC Equipment
*FEE Cost Estimates
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*FEF Capitalization Planning
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FC Memorials and Naming of District Facilities FC

Requests to use district buildings and/or facilities for displaying permanent memorials, hosting funeral or memorial services, or honoring a person with its name shall be considered in accordance with the following provisions.

Memorials - As places designed primarily to support learning, school sites should not serve as the main venue for permanent memorials for students or staff. Permanent memorials for deceased students or staff shall be limited in form to perpetual awards or scholarships for district students.

Any permanent memorials in existence before the adoption of this policy can only be removed by board action.

Funerals - Use of school facilities for funerals is discouraged. If requests are made to hold funeral or memorial services at district facilities, such requests will only be considered if any services are scheduled after school has dismissed for the day or on weekends.

The superintendent shall handle requests for funeral and memorial services and shall report the disposition of those requests to the board.

Naming of Facilities - The board will consider requests from school and community groups to name an athletic or other school activity facility, building, or a portion thereof for a person provided the proposed name has special significance and/or the person has made an outstanding contribution to the school or the school system and has been deceased for at least {10} years. The board shall consider naming requests after they are recommended by the superintendent.

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FD Capital Outlay Long Range Planning FD

The board directs the administration to develop long-range plans and reliable methods to project capital outlay needs. The long-range planning process may include recommendations from patrons, consultants, architects, the board attorney, the district staff and representatives from local, state and federal governmental agencies.

The superintendent shall report recommendations concerning the district's capital outlay needs to the board on or before the regular board meeting each April.

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FDB Long Range Needs Determination FDB

The board and administration may periodically conduct district-wide assessments to evaluate facility use, to project future building needs, or to recommend that facilities be closed. A task force may be appointed to assist with the study.

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FHCB Special Recognition **FHCB**

A section of "wall space" has been cordoned off at Atchison County Community High School for the purpose of special recognitions. The area of special recognition will be labeled "Wall of Fame". When an individual or group of individuals wishes to recognize a person for an outstanding contribution to the school or school system the following procedure shall be used:

- The principal of the attendance center where the request is made will meet with the person(s) interested in making a request. The purpose of the initial meeting is for the principal to fully understand the reason(s) for the request.
- Having full understanding for the reason(s) for the request for special recognition, the principal shall forward completed requests to the school site council for consideration
- Should the school site council wish to endorse the inclusion of an individual on the "Wall of Fame", such recommendation shall be forwarded to the Board of Education for review.
- The Board of Education reserves the authority to take any and all requests under advisement until at time at which an informative decision can be made.
- The superintendent of schools will communicate the Board of Education decision in written form to the principal and site council.
- Upon notice of approval, the principal will organize and plan the appropriate ceremony for induction of the "Wall of Fame".

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GA Personnel Policy Organization GA

These policies are arranged in the following manner:

- GA policies apply to all employees.
- GB policies apply to teachers and other licensed staff covered by the negotiated agreement.
- GC policies apply to classified/non-certified staff.

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GAA **Goals and Objectives** (See BDA, CM, CMA and JA) **GAA**

The goal of the personnel policies set forth in this policy section is to create the best possible educational climate for the students of the school district. To this end, these personnel policies are designed to prevent misunderstanding by the district's personnel of their duties, responsibilities, and privileges.

All employees shall follow all applicable board policies, rules, regulations, and supervisory directives.

All personnel handbooks shall be approved by the board and adopted, by reference, as a part of these policies and rules.

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GAAA Equal Employment Opportunity and Nondiscrimination GAAA

The board shall hire all employees on the basis of ability and the district's needs.

The district is an equal opportunity employer and shall not discriminate in its employment practices and policies with respect to hiring, compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment because of an individual's race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability, or genetic information. Discrimination on any of these characteristics will not be tolerated. The district will make reasonable accommodations to applicants and employees who need them for medical or religious reasons, as required by law.

Inquiries regarding compliance may be directed to (position, address, phone number of the district compliance coordinator) or to:

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
Gateway Tower II
400 State Ave., Suite 905
Kansas City, KS 66101
(913) 551-5655
kansascityintake@eeoc.gov

or

Kansas Human Rights Commission
900 SW Jackson, Suite 568-S
Topeka, KS 66612-1258
(785) 296-3206
khrc@ks.gov

or

United States Department of Education
Office for Civil Rights
One Petticoat Lane
1010 Walnut Street, Suite 320
Kansas City, Missouri 64106
(816) 268-0550
OCR.KansasCity@ed.gov

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GAAB Complaints of Discrimination (See JDDC, JGECA and KN) GAAB

The district is committed to maintaining a working and learning environment free from discrimination, insult, intimidation or harassment due to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, genetic information, or disability. Any incident of discrimination in any form shall promptly be reported to an employee's immediate supervisor, the building principal or the district compliance coordinator for investigation and corrective action by the building or district compliance officer. Any employee who engages in discriminatory conduct shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

Discrimination against any individual on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, genetic information, or religion in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in the district's programs and activities is prohibited. (Position, address, phone number of the district compliance coordinator) has been designated to coordinate compliance with nondiscrimination requirements contained in Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Complaints of discrimination should be addressed to an employee's supervisor or to the building principal or the compliance coordinator. Complaints against the superintendent should be addressed to the board of education.

Complaints of discrimination will be resolved using the district's discrimination complaint procedures in policy KN.

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The district prohibits retaliation or discrimination against any person for opposing discrimination, including harassment; for participating in the complaint process; or making a complaint, testifying, assisting, or participating in any investigation, proceeding, or hearing.

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GAAC Sexual Harassment (See GAF) GAAC

The board of education is committed to providing a positive and productive working and learning environment, free from discrimination on the basis of sex, including sexual harassment. Sexual harassment will not be tolerated in the school district. Sexual harassment of employees or students of the district by board members, administrators, certificated and support personnel, students, vendors, and any others having business or other contact with the school district is strictly prohibited.

Sexual harassment is unlawful discrimination on the basis of sex under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Kansas Acts Against Discrimination. All forms of sexual harassment are prohibited at school, on school property, and at all school-sponsored activities, programs or events. Sexual harassment against individuals associated with the school is prohibited, whether or not the harassment occurs on school grounds.

It shall be a violation of this policy for any student, employee, or third party (visitor, vendor, etc.) to sexually harass any student, employee, or other individual associated with the school. It shall further be a violation for any employee to discourage a student or another employee from filing a complaint, or to fail to investigate or refer for investigation, any complaint lodged under the provisions of this policy. Violation of this policy by any employee shall result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

Sexual harassment shall include, but not be limited to, unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of

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sexual nature when: (1) submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting such individual; or (3) such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Sexual harassment may result from verbal or physical conduct or written or graphic material. Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to: verbal harassment or abuse; pressure for sexual activity; repeated remarks to a person, with sexual or demeaning implication; unwelcome touching; or suggesting or demanding sexual involvement accompanied by implied or explicit threats concerning an employee's job status.

The district encourages all victims of sexual harassment and persons with knowledge of such harassment to report the harassment immediately. Complaints of sexual harassment will be promptly investigated and resolved.

Employees who believe they have been subjected to sexual harassment should discuss the problem with their immediate supervisor. If an employee's immediate supervisor is the alleged harasser, the employee should discuss the problem with the building principal or the district compliance coordinator. Employees who do not believe the matter is appropriately resolved through this meeting may file a formal complaint under the district's discrimination complaint procedure in policy KN.

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Complaints received will be investigated to determine whether, under the totality of the circumstances, the alleged behavior constitutes sexual harassment under the definition outlined above. Unacceptable conduct may or may not constitute sexual harassment, depending on the nature of the conduct and its severity, pervasiveness and persistence. Behaviors which are unacceptable but do not constitute harassment may also result in employee discipline.

If discrimination or harassment has occurred, the district will take prompt, remedial action to prevent its reoccurrence.

Any employee who witnesses an act of sexual harassment or receives a complaint of harassment from another employee or a student shall report the complaint to the building principal. Employees who fail to report complaints or incidents of sexual harassment to appropriate school officials may face disciplinary action. School administrators who fail to investigate and take appropriate corrective action in response to complaints of sexual harassment may also face disciplinary action.

Initiation of a complaint of sexual harassment in good faith will not adversely affect the job security or status of an employee, nor will it affect his or her compensation. Any act of retaliation or discrimination against any person who has filed a complaint or testified, assisted, or participated in any investigation, proceeding, or hearing involving a sexual harassment complaint is prohibited. Any person who retaliates is subject to immediate disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

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To the extent possible, confidentiality will be maintained throughout the investigation of a complaint. The desire for confidentiality must be balanced with the district's obligation to conduct a thorough investigation, to take appropriate corrective action or to provide due process to the accused.

False or malicious complaints of sexual harassment may result in corrective or disciplinary action against the complainant.

A summary of this policy shall be posted in each district facility, shall be published in employee handbooks and on the district's website as directed by the district compliance coordinator. Notification of the policy shall be included in the school newsletter or published in the local newspaper annually.

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GAACA – Racial and Disability Harassment: Employees (Also see GAF, JGECA and KN)

The board of education is committed to providing a positive and productive working and learning environment, free from discrimination, including harassment, on the basis of race, color, national origin, or disability. Racial and disability harassment will not be tolerated in the school district. Racial or disability harassment of employees or students of the district by board members, administrators, certified and support personnel, students, vendors, and any others having business or other contact with the school district is strictly prohibited.

Racial harassment is unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin under Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Kansas Acts Against Discrimination. Disability harassment is unlawful discrimination on the basis of disability under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act. All forms of racial and disability harassment are prohibited at school, on school property, and at all school-sponsored activities, programs or events. Racial or disability harassment against individuals associated with the school is prohibited, whether or not the harassment occurs on school grounds.

It shall be a violation of this policy for any student, employee, or third party (visitor, vendor, etc.) to racially harass or harass on the basis of disability any student, employee, or other individual associated with the school. It shall further be a violation for any employee to discourage a student or another employee from filing a complaint, or to fail to investigate or refer for investigation, any complaint lodged under the provisions of this policy.

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Violations of this policy by any employee shall result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

Harassment prohibited by this policy includes racially or disability-motivated conduct which:

- Affords an employee different treatment, solely on the basis of race, color, national origin, or disability, in a manner which interferes with or limits the ability of the employee to participate in or benefit from the services, activities or programs of the school;
- Is sufficiently severe, pervasive or persistent so as to have the purpose or effect of creating a hostile working environment;
- Is sufficiently severe, pervasive or persistent so as to have the purpose or effect of interfering with an individual's work performance or employment opportunities.

Racial or disability harassment may result from verbal or physical conduct or written or graphic material.

The district encourages all victims of racial or disability harassment and persons with knowledge of such harassment to report the harassment immediately. Complaints of racial or disability harassment will be promptly investigated and resolved.

Employees who believe they have been subjected to racial or disability harassment should discuss the problem with their immediate supervisor. If an employee's immediate supervisor is the alleged harasser, the employee should discuss the problem with the building principal or the district compliance coordinator. Employees who do not believe the matter is appropriately resolved through this meeting may file a formal complaint under the district's discrimination complaint procedure in policy KN.

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Complaints received will be investigated to determine whether, under the totality of the circumstances, the alleged behavior constitutes racial or disability harassment under the definition outlined above. Unacceptable conduct may or may not constitute racial or disability harassment, depending on the nature of the conduct and its severity, pervasiveness and persistence. Behaviors which are unacceptable but do not constitute harassment may also result in employee discipline.

If discrimination or harassment has occurred, the district will take prompt, remedial action to prevent its reoccurrence.

Any employee who witnesses an act of racial or disability harassment or receives a complaint of harassment from another employee or a student shall report the complaint to the building principal. Employees who fail to report complaints or incidents of racial or disability harassment to appropriate school officials may face disciplinary action. School administrators who fail to investigate and take appropriate corrective action in response to complaints of racial or disability harassment may also face disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

Initiation of a complaint of racial or disability harassment in good faith will not adversely affect the job security or status of an employee, nor will it affect his or her compensation. Any act of retaliation or discrimination against any person who has filed a complaint or testified, assisted, or participated in any investigation, proceeding, or hearing involving a racial or disability harassment complaint is prohibited. Any person who retaliates is subject to immediate disciplinary action, up to and including termination from employment.

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To the extent possible, confidentiality will be maintained throughout the investigation of a complaint. The desire for confidentiality must be balanced with the district's obligation to conduct a thorough investigation, to take appropriate corrective action or to provide due process to the accused.

False or malicious complaints of racial or disability harassment may result in corrective or disciplinary action against the complainant.

A summary of this policy shall be posted in each district facility and shall be published in employee handbooks and on the district's website as directed by the district compliance coordinator. Notification of the policy shall be included in the school newsletter or published in the local newspaper annually.

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Any district employee who has reason to know or suspect a child has been injured as a result of physical, mental or emotional abuse or neglect or sexual abuse, shall promptly report the matter to the local Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF) office or to the local law enforcement agency if the DCF office is not open. Employees may file a report of suspected abuse anonymously to either DCF by phoning 1-800-922-5330 or to local law enforcement officials. The Code for Care of Children also provides civil immunity from prosecution if the report is made in good faith.

The employee making the report will not contact the child's family or any other persons to determine the cause of the suspected abuse or neglect.

DCF or Law Enforcement Access to Students on School Premises

The building principal shall allow a student to be interviewed by DCF or law enforcement representatives on school premises to investigate suspected child abuse and shall act as appropriate to facilitate the agency's access to the child and to protect the student's interests during the process. State law grants the investigating agency the authority to determine whether a school employee may be present while the interview is being conducted, taking into account the child's best interests. If asked to sit in on the interview by the agency representative conducting it, the building principal or designee thereof shall oblige such request in order to provide comfort to the child throughout the process and to facilitate the investigation.

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Cooperation Between School and Agencies

Principals shall work with DCF and law enforcement agencies to develop a plan of cooperation for investigating reports of suspected child abuse or neglect. To the extent that safety is not compromised, law enforcement officers investigating complaints of suspected child abuse or neglect on school property shall not be in uniform.

Reporting Procedure

The employee shall promptly report to the local DCF office or law enforcement if DCF is closed. It is recommended the building administrator also be notified after the report is made.

If the building principal has been notified, the principal shall immediately notify the superintendent that the initial report to DCF has been made. If appropriate, the principal may confer with the school's social worker, guidance counselor or psychologist. At no time shall the principal or any other staff member prevent or interfere with the making of a suspected child abuse report.

If available, the following information shall be given by the person making the initial report: name, address and age of the student; name and address of the parents or guardians; nature and extent of injuries or description of neglect or abuse; and any other information that might help establish the cause of the child's condition.

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Any personal interview or physical inspection of the child by any school employee shall be conducted in an appropriate manner with an adult witness present.

State law provides that anyone making a report in good faith and without malice shall be immune from any civil liability that might otherwise be incurred or imposed.

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GAAE Bullying by Staff (See EBC, GAAB, JDD, JDDC, and KGC) GAAE

The board of education prohibits bullying in any form by any student, staff member, or parent towards a student or staff member on or while using school property, in a school vehicle or at a school-sponsored activity or event. For the purposes of this policy, the term "bullying" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in Kansas law.

The administration shall propose, and the board shall review and approve a plan to address bullying as prohibited herein. The plan shall include provisions for the training and education of staff members.

Staff members who bully others in violation of this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension and/or termination. If appropriate, staff members who violate the bullying prohibition shall be reported to local law enforcement.

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– Sample Form –

Retype to suit local needs, remove from policy book and file with the clerk and principals. Form could also be included in staff handbooks.

Report to Local Law Enforcement

USD ___

Pursuant to Kansas law, the administrator or other school employee whose signature appears below is reporting the following crimes:

Briefly describe each incident and the person/s involved in a misdemeanor or felony behavior at school, on school property, or at a school activity.

Date	**School/Location**	**Person/s Involved**	**Brief Description of bullying incident/s.**
1.			
2.			

School Districts are required by Federal Law and K.S.A. 72-6311 to protect the privacy rights of students under the age of 18.

Signed:_____
Administrator or other school employee

c/o Superintendent, USD ___; c/employee's file

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GAAF **Emergency Safety Interventions** (See GAO, JRB, JQ, and KN) **GAAF**

The board of education is committed to limiting the use of Emergency Safety Intervention ("ESI"), such as seclusion and restraint, with all students. Seclusion and restraint shall be used only when a student's conduct necessitates the use of an emergency safety intervention as defined below. The board of education encourages all employees to utilize other behavioral management tools, including prevention techniques, de-escalation techniques, and positive behavioral intervention strategies.

This policy shall be made available on the district website with links to the policy available on any individual school pages. In addition, this policy shall be included in at least one of the following: each school's code of conduct, school safety plan, or student handbook. Notice of the online availability of this policy shall be provided to parents during enrollment each year.

Definitions

"Campus police officer" means a school security officer designated by the board of education of any school district pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6146, and amendments thereto.

"Chemical Restraint" means the use of medication to control a student's violent physical behavior or restrict a student's freedom of movement.

"Emergency Safety Intervention" is the use of seclusion or physical restraint, but does not include physical escort or the use of time-out.

"Incident" means each occurrence of the use of an emergency safety intervention.

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"Law enforcement officer" and "police officer" mean a full-time or part-time salaried officer or employee of the state, a county, or a city, whose duties include the prevention or detection of crime and the enforcement of criminal or traffic law of this state or any Kansas municipality. This term includes a campus police officer.

"Legitimate law enforcement purpose" means a goal within the lawful authority of an officer that is to be achieved through methods or conduct condoned by the officer's appointing authority.

"Mechanical Restraint" means any device or object used to limit a student's movement.

"Parent" means: (1) a natural parent; (2) an adoptive parent; (3) a person acting as a parent as defined in K.S.A. 72-3122(d)(2), and amendments thereto; (4) a legal guardian; (5) an education advocate for a student with an exceptionality; (6) a foster parent, unless the student is a child with an exceptionality; or (7) a student who has reached the age of majority or is an emancipated minor.

"Physical Escort" means the temporary touching or holding the hand, wrist, arm, shoulder, or back of a student who is acting out for the purpose of inducing the student to walk to a safe location.

"Physical Restraint" means bodily force used to substantially limit a student's movement, except that consensual, solicited, or unintentional contact and contact to provide comfort, assistance, or instruction shall not be deemed to be physical restraint.

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"School resource officer" means a law enforcement officer or police officer employed by a local law enforcement agency who is assigned to a district through an agreement between the local law enforcement agency and the district.

"School security officer" means a person who is employed by a board of education of any school district for the purpose of aiding and supplementing state and local law enforcement agencies in which the school district is located, but is not a law enforcement officer or police officer.

"Seclusion" means placement of a student in a location where all of the following conditions are met: (1) the student is placed in an enclosed area by school personnel; (2) the student is purposefully isolated from adults and peers; and (3) the student is prevented from leaving, or reasonably believes that he or she will be prevented from leaving the enclosed area.

"Time-out" means a behavioral intervention in which a student is temporarily removed from a learning activity without being secluded.

Prohibited Types of Restraint

All staff members are prohibited from engaging in the following actions with all students:

- Using face-down (prone) physical restraint;
- Using face-up (supine) physical restraint;
- Using physical restraint that obstructs the student's airway;
- Using physical restraint that impacts a student's primary mode of communication;

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- Using chemical restraint, except as prescribed treatments for a student's medical or psychiatric condition by a person appropriately licensed to issue such treatments; and
- Use of mechanical restraint, ***except***:
    - Protective or stabilizing devices required by law or used in accordance with an order from a person appropriately licensed to issue the order for the device;
    - Any device used by a certified law enforcement officer to carry out law enforcement duties; or
    - Seatbelts and other safety equipment when used to secure students during transportation.

Use of Emergency Safety Interventions

ESI shall be used only when a student presents a reasonable and immediate danger of physical harm to such student or others with the present ability to effect such physical harm. Less restrictive alternatives to ESI, such as positive behavior interventions support, shall be deemed inappropriate or ineffective under the circumstances by the school employee witnessing the student's behavior prior to the use of any ESI. The use of ESI shall cease as soon as the immediate danger of physical harm ceases to exist. Violent action that is destructive of property may necessitate the use of an ESI. Use of an ESI for purposes of discipline, punishment, or for the convenience of a school employee shall not meet the standard of immediate danger of physical harm.

ESI Restrictions

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A student shall not be subjected to ESI if the student is known to have a medical condition that could put the student in mental or physical danger as a result of ESI. The existence of such medical condition must be indicated in a written statement from the student's licensed health care provider, a copy of which has been provided to the school and placed in the student's file.

Such written statement shall include an explanation of the student's diagnosis, a list of any reasons why ESI would put the student in mental or physical danger, and any suggested alternatives to ESI. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, a student may be subjected to ESI, if not subjecting the student to ESI would result in significant physical harm to the student or others.

Use of Seclusion

When a student is placed in seclusion, a school employee shall be able to see and hear the student at all times.

All seclusion rooms equipped with a locking door shall be designed to ensure that the lock automatically disengages when the school employee viewing the student walks away from the seclusion room, or in case of emergency, such as fire or severe weather.

A seclusion room shall be a safe place with proportional and similar characteristics as other rooms where students frequent. Such room shall be free of any condition that could be a danger to the student, well-ventilated, and sufficiently lighted.

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Training

All staff members shall be trained regarding the use of positive behavioral intervention strategies, de-escalation techniques, and prevention techniques. Such training shall be consistent with nationally recognized training programs on ESI. The intensity of the training provided will depend upon the employee's position. Administrators, licensed staff members, and other staff deemed most likely to need to restrain a student will be provided more intense training than staff who do not work directly with students in the classroom. District and building administration shall make the determination of the intensity of training required by each position.

Each school building shall maintain written or electronic documentation regarding the training that was provided and a list of participants, which shall be made available for inspection by the state board of education upon request.

Notification and Documentation

The principal or designee shall notify the parent the same day as an incident. The same-day notification requirement of this subsection shall be deemed satisfied if the school attempts at least two methods of contacting the parent. A parent may designate a preferred method of contact to receive the same-day notification. Also, a parent may agree, in writing, to receive only one same-day notification from the school for multiple incidents occurring on the same day.

Documentation of the ESI used shall be completed and provided to the student's parents no later than the school day following the day of the incident. Such written documentation shall include: (A) The events leading up to the incident; (B) student behaviors that necessitated the ESI; (C) steps taken to

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transition the student back into the educational setting; (D) the date and time the incident occurred, the type of ESI used, the duration of the ESI, and the school personnel who used or supervised the ESI; (E) space or an additional form for parents to provide feedback or comments to the school regarding the incident; (F) a statement that invites and strongly encourages parents to schedule a meeting to discuss the incident and how to prevent future incidents; and (G) email and phone information for the parent to contact the school to schedule the ESI meeting. Schools may group incidents together when documenting the items in subparagraphs (A), (B) and (C) if the triggering issue necessitating the ESIs is the same.

The parent shall be provided the following information after the first and each subsequent incident during each school year: (1) a copy of this policy which indicates when ESI can be used; (2) a flyer on the parent's rights; (3) information on the parent's right to file a complaint through the local dispute resolution process (which is set forth in this policy) and the complaint process of the state board of education; and (4) information that will assist the parent in navigating the complaint process, including contact information for Families Together and the Disability Rights Center of Kansas. Upon the first occurrence of an incident of ESI, the foregoing information shall be provided in printed form or, upon the parent's written request, by email. Upon the occurrence of a second or subsequent incident, the parent shall be provided with a full and direct website address containing such information.

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Law Enforcement, School Resource, and Campus Security Officers

Campus police officers and school resource officers shall be exempt from the requirements of this policy when engaged in an activity that has a legitimate law enforcement purpose. School security officers shall not be exempt from the requirements of this policy.

If a school is aware that a law enforcement officer or school resource officer has used seclusion, physical restraint, or mechanical restraint on a student, the school shall notify the parent the same day using the parent's preferred method of contact. A school shall not be required to provide written documentation to a parent, as set forth above, regarding law enforcement use of an emergency safety intervention, or report to the state department of education any law enforcement use of an emergency safety intervention. For purposes of this subsection, mechanical restraint includes, but is not limited to, the use of handcuffs.

Documentation of ESI Incidents

Except as specified above with regard to law enforcement or school resource officer use of emergency safety interventions, each building shall maintain documentation any time ESI is used with a student. The documentation shall include all of the following:

- Date and time of the ESI,
- Type of ESI,
- Length of time the ESI was used,
- School personnel who participated in or supervised the ESI,
- Whether the student had an individualized education program at the time of the incident,

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- Whether the student had a section 504 plan at the time of the incident, and
- Whether the student had a behavior intervention plan at the time of the incident.

All such documentation shall be provided to the building principal, who shall be responsible for providing copies of such documentation to the superintendent or the superintendent's designee on at least a biannual basis. At least once per school year, each building principal or designee shall review the documentation of ESI incidents with appropriate staff members to consider the appropriateness of the use of ESI in those instances.

Reporting Data

District administration shall report ESI data to the state department of education as required.

Parent Right to Meeting on ESI Use

After each incident, a parent may request a meeting with the school to discuss and debrief the incident. A parent may request such meeting verbally, in writing, or by electronic means. A school shall hold a meeting requested under this subsection within 10 school days of the parent's request. The focus of any such meeting shall be to discuss proactive ways to prevent the need for emergency safety interventions and to reduce incidents in the future.

For a student with an IEP or a Section 504 plan, such student's IEP team or Section 504 plan team shall discuss the incident and consider the need to conduct a functional behavioral assessment, develop a behavior intervention plan, or amend the behavior intervention plan if already in existence.

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For a student with a section 504 plan, such student's section 504 plan team shall discuss and consider the need for a special education evaluation. For students who have an individualized education program and are placed in a private school by a parent, a meeting called under this subsection shall include the parent and the private school, who shall consider whether the parent should request an individualized education program team meeting. If the parent requests an individualized education program team meeting, the private school shall help facilitate such meeting.

For a student without an IEP or Section 504 plan, the school staff and the parent shall discuss the incident and consider the appropriateness of a referral for a special education evaluation, the need for a functional behavioral assessment, or the need for a behavior intervention plan. Any such meeting shall include the student's parent, a school administrator for the school the student attends, one of the student's teachers, a school employee involved in the incident, and any other school employees designated by the school administrator as appropriate for such meeting.

The student who is the subject of such meetings shall be invited to attend the meeting at the discretion of the parent. The time for calling such a meeting may be extended beyond the 10-day limit if the parent of the student is unable to attend within that time period. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the development and implementation of a functional behavior assessment or a behavior intervention plan for any student if such student would benefit from such measures.

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Local Dispute Resolution Process

If a parent believes that an emergency safety intervention has been used on the parent's child in violation of state law or board policy, the parent may file a complaint as specified below.

The board of education encourages parents to attempt to resolve issues relating to the use of ESI informally with the building principal and/or the superintendent before filing a formal complaint with the board. Once an informal complaint is received, the administrator handling such complaint shall investigate such matter, as deemed appropriate by the administrator. In the event that the complaint is resolved informally, the administrator must provide a written report of the informal resolution to the superintendent and the parents and retain a copy of the report at the school. The superintendent will share the informal resolution with the board of education and provide a copy to the state department of education.

If the issues are not resolved informally with the building principal and/or the superintendent, the parents may submit a formal written complaint to the board of education by providing a copy of the complaint to the clerk of the board and the superintendent within thirty (30) days after the parent is informed of the incident.

Upon receipt of a formal written complaint, the board president shall assign an investigator to review the complaint and report findings to the board as a whole. Such investigator may be a board member, a school administrator selected by the board, or a board attorney. Such investigator shall be informed of the obligation to maintain confidentiality of student records and shall report

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the findings of fact and recommended corrective action, if any, to the board in executive session.

Any such investigation must be completed within thirty (30) days of receipt of the formal written complaint by the board clerk and superintendent. On or before the 30th day after receipt of the written complaint, the board shall adopt written findings of fact and, if necessary, appropriate corrective action. A copy of the written findings of fact and any corrective action adopted by the board shall only be provided to the parents, the school, and the state department of education and shall be mailed to the parents and the state department within 30 days of the board's receipt of the formal complaint.

If desired, a parent may file a complaint under the state board of education administrative review process within thirty (30) days from the date a final decision is issued pursuant to the local dispute resolution process.

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GAAF ESI DOCUMENTATION FORM

EMERGENCY SAFETY INTERVENTION DOCUMENTATION

Date: _____

Dear: _____

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that on _____, at _____ (a.m./p.m.)
(date) (time)
the need for the use of an Emergency Safety Intervention was required for _____.
(name of student)

K.S.A. 72-6152 provides that emergency safety intervention (hereafter "ESI") is defined to include the use of seclusion or physical restraint but not the use of time-out or physical escort. Whenever an ESI is used, the parent(s)/guardian(s) must be informed of the use the day it happens. This notice requirement is deemed satisfied if the school attempts at least two methods of contact to reach the parent or guardian. By the day following the ESI use, written notification of the following shall be provided to the parent or guardian.

Type of ESI used:
Seclusion _____ Restraint_____Duration of seclusion/restraint: _____ (minutes) Location: _____

Name of staff member(s) who participated in or supervised the ESI:
_____
_____

Did the student have an Individualized Education Program ("IEP"), Section 504 Plan, or a Behavior Intervention Plan at the time of the incident? _____ If so, specify which: _____
Description of events leading up to the incident:

_____

_____

_____

_____

Student behaviors necessitating the ESI:
_____
_____
_____

Steps taken to transition the student back into the educational setting:
_____
_____
_____

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GAAF ESI DOCUMENTATION FORM

Parents or guardians of the above-named student are invited and strongly encouraged to schedule a meeting to discuss the ESI and how to prevent future ESI use. Please contact the following staff member at the email address and/or phone number listed below to schedule such a meeting or if you have any questions regarding this use of ESI.

(Staff Member Name)
(Staff Member Email Address)
(Staff Member Phone Number)

_____ _____
(Signature of person completing report) (Date)

*Parent(s)/guardian(s) notified of this incident on _____ by _____.

Please feel free to provide feedback or comments concerning this ESI use below and email or deliver them to the staff member specified above.
_____
_____
_____
___

*Original provided to Building Principal
*Copy provided to (Parents/Guardians, Administrative Office)

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GACA **Positions** (See CD and GACB) **GACA**

New employment positions shall be authorized by the board. The superintendent shall prepare for board approval a comprehensive list of all new positions, together with their qualifications, duties, and responsibilities, for board consideration.

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GACB Job Descriptions (See CD and GACA) GACB

The superintendent shall develop a job description for each category of employee. After board approval of any new or revised job descriptions, they will be deemed in effect, shall be filed with the clerk, and may be published in handbooks.

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GACC Recruitment and Hiring GACC

Recruitment

The board delegates recruiting authority to the superintendent. In carrying out this responsibility, the superintendent may involve administrators and other employees.

Hiring

The board shall approve the hiring of all employees. No staff member's

employment is official until the contract or other document is signed by the candidate and approved by the board.

Hiring sequence

- Conditional offer of employment is extended to the candidate in writing subject to revocation or, if provisional employment has already begun, termination of employment based upon unsatisfactory results of any reference and/or background checks performed;
- Written acceptance by the candidate is received;
- Contract or other appropriate document sent to the candidate and candidate's acceptance signified by a signed document returned to the superintendent; and
- Approval of the contract or other documents by the board.

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GACCA Nepotism GACCA

The superintendent shall make reasonable efforts to determine whether a candidate for employment is related to or residing with a board member or an administrator of the district. If a candidate is related to or residing with a board member or administrator, the superintendent will make this fact known to the board.

Except in an emergency or in the case the individual is deemed to be the most qualified candidate for the position by the board, the board will not employ anyone who is the father, mother, brother, sister, spouse, son, daughter, step-son, step-daughter, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law of any board member or who resides in the household of any board member.

This provision shall not apply to any person who has been regularly employed by the board prior to the adoption of this policy or to any person who has been regularly employed by the board prior to the election or appointment of a new board member to whom the person is related.

Supervision Limitations

No employee shall directly supervise or be responsible for any portion of the evaluation of his or her father, mother, brother, sister, spouse, son, daughter, step-son, step-daughter, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law or an individual residing with the employee.

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GACD Employment Eligibility Verification (Form I-9) GACD

All district employees, at the time of employment, shall provide verification of identity and employment status to the superintendent.

The superintendent shall maintain a file on all of the district's employees hired after November 6, 1986, proving that each employee has verified their identity, employment status, U.S. citizenship, or legal alien status. Evidence to be used to verify identity, employment status, U.S. citizenship, or legal alien status should include at least two of the following documents, one of which contains a current photo of the employee: birth certificate, social security card, or a current driver's license; or one of the following: U.S. passport, certificate of U.S. citizenship, certificate of naturalization, unexpired foreign passport, or resident alien card.

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GACE Assignment and Transfer GACE

The board reserves the right to assign, reassign, or transfer all employees, unless otherwise provided in the negotiated agreement.

The board may delegate its authority to assign, reassign, or transfer any or all employees to the superintendent.

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GAD **Employee Development Opportunities** **GAD**

-Except as may be specified in the negotiated agreement concerning staff members covered thereby, all plans for self-improvement involving expenditure of district funds or which require time away from the employee's assigned responsibilities shall be approved in advance by the board.

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GAE Complaints **GAE**

Any employee may file a complaint with their supervisor concerning a school rule, regulation, policy or decision that affects the employee. The complaint shall be in writing, filed within ten (10) days following the event complained of, and shall specify the basis of the complaint. The supervisor shall meet with the employee and provide a written response within ten (10) days. If the employee disagrees with the decision, the employee may appeal to the superintendent. The superintendent's decision shall be final. Employees covered by the negotiated agreement shall follow procedures outlined in that document.

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GAF Staff-Student Relations GAF

(See GAAC, GAACA JGEC, JGECA and KN)

Staff members shall maintain professional relationships with students which are conducive to an effective educational environment. Staff members shall not submit students to bullying, harassment, or discrimination prohibited by board policy. Staff members shall not have any interaction of a romantic and/or sexual nature with any student at any time regardless of the student's age or consent.

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GAG Conflict of Interest GAG

District employees are prohibited from engaging in any activity which may conflict with or detract from the effective performance of their duties. No employee will attempt, during the school day or on school property, to sell or endeavor to influence any student or school employee to buy any product, article, instrument, service, or other items which may directly or indirectly benefit the school employee. No school employee will enter into a contract for remuneration with the district other than a contract for employment unless the contract is awarded on the basis of competitive bidding.

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GAH **Participation in Community Activities** **GAH**

Prior permission must be obtained from the superintendent for participation in any non-school community activity which takes place during duty hours.

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GAHB **Political Activities** **GAHB**

Holding Public Office

Staff members elected or appointed to a public office which restricts the employee's ability to complete contractual obligations may be required to take unpaid leave for a period of time determined by the board or may be terminated.

Staff members holding a public office, which in the judgment of the board is less than full-time, shall request unpaid leave from the superintendent at least one week in advance.

An employee who must be absent from school to carry out the duties of a public office must take a leave of absence without pay for the duration of the public office.

Political Activity in the Schools

Staff members shall not use school time, school property, or school equipment for the purpose of furthering the interests of any political party, the campaign of any political candidate, or the advocacy of any political issue.

For the purposes of this policy, "advocacy of any political issue" shall not be deemed to include providing information on educational matters to elected officials.

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GAI **Solicitations (See KDC)** **GAI**

All solicitations of and by staff members during duty hours are prohibited without prior approval of the appropriate supervisor.

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GAJ Gifts (See JL, KH) GAJ

The giving of gifts between students and staff members is discouraged.

Unless approved by the principal, staff members shall not give gifts to any student or class of students when the gifts arise out of a school situation, class or school-sponsored activity.

Gifts to Staff Members

Staff members are prohibited from receiving gifts from vendors, salesmen or other such representatives. Premiums resulting from sales projects sponsored by the school shall become the property of the school

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GAK **Personnel Records** (See CEI, CGI, GACD, GBI, and GCI) **GAK**

Personnel files required by the district shall be confidential and in the custody of the records custodian and/or the superintendent. Employees have the right to inspect their files upon proper notice under the supervision of an appropriate supervisor. All records and files maintained by the district should be screened periodically by the custodian of records.

All personnel files and evaluation documents, including those stored by electronic means, shall be adequately secured.

Requests for References

Unless otherwise provided by law, a request by a third party for release of any personnel record shall require the written consent of the employee, and shall be submitted to the records custodian who shall respond to the request as the law allows.

Upon receipt of a written request district officials may provide information regarding past and present employees to prospective employers in compliance with current law. Information that may be provided will include:

- employment date(s);
- job description and duties while in the district's employ;
- last salary or wage;
- wage history;
- whether the employee was voluntarily or involuntarily released from service and the reasons for the separation;
- written employee evaluations which were conducted prior to the employee's separation from the employer and to which an employee shall be given a copy upon request.

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Immunity Provided

Unless otherwise provided by law, an employer who responds in writing to a written request concerning a current or former employee from a prospective employer of that employee shall be absolutely immune from civil liability for disclosure of the information noted earlier in this policy to which an employee may have access.

Prohibition on Aiding and Abetting Sexual Abuse

Pursuant to the federal Every Student Succeeds Act, the board prohibits the board, individual board members, and any individual or entity who is a district employee, contractor, or agent from assisting a district employee, contractor, or agent in obtaining a new job if the board, individual, or entity knows, or has probable cause to believe, that such school employee, contractor, or agent engaged in sexual misconduct regarding a minor or student in violation of the law. For the purposes of this policy, it shall not be deemed assisting in obtaining a new job if the aforementioned individuals or entities participate in the routine transmission of administrative and personnel files in accordance with law and this policy,

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GAM Personal Appearance GAM

Appropriate dress and personal appearance is essential for all district employees.

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GAN Travel Expenses (See BBBF and GBRC) GAN

The board shall provide reimbursement for expenses incurred in travel related to the duties of the district's employees when approved in advance by the superintendent. Mode of travel will be based on, but not limited to, the availability of transportation, distance and number of persons traveling together. A first class air fare will be reimbursed only when coach space is not available.

Requests for reimbursement shall have the following attached: receipts for transportation, parking, hotels or motels, meals and other expenses for which receipts are ordinarily available. For the authorized use of a personal car, including approved travel between buildings, staff members shall be reimbursed at a mileage rate established by the state.

Meal Allowance

Meal allowances for normal travel are limited to $6.00 for breakfast, $8.00 for lunch and $12.00 for dinner or a maximum of $26.00 per day. Banquets and meals in conjunction with workshops and seminars are paid in full.

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TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT – FEDERAL PROGRAMS
(Sample-procedure)

The board shall reimburse employees and school board for travel costs incurred in the course of performing services related to official business as a federal grant recipient. School board members must have prior written approval from the federal awarding agency or pass-through entity to get reimbursement for expenses specifically related to a federal award.

For purposes of this procedure, travel costs shall mean the expenses for transportation, lodging, subsistence, and related items incurred by employees and/or board members who are in travel status on official business as a federal grant recipient.

Board members and district employees shall comply with applicable board policies established for reimbursement of travel and other expenses.

The validity of payments for travel costs for all district employees shall be determined by the superintendent or designee.

Travel costs shall be reimbursed on a mileage basis for travel using an employee's or board member's personal vehicle and on an actual cost basis for meals, lodging and other allowable expenses, consistent with those normally allowed in like circumstances in the district's nonfederally funded activities, and in accordance with the district's travel expenses policy GAN.

Mileage reimbursements shall be at the rate approved by the board for other district travel reimbursements. Actual costs for meals, lodging, and other allowable expenses shall be reimbursed only to the extent they are reasonable and do not exceed the per diem limits established by the **{board/the federal General Services Administration for federal employees for locale where incurred.}**

All travel costs must be presented with an itemized, verified statement prior to reimbursement.

In addition, if these costs are charged directly to the federal award, documentation must be maintained that justifies that:

Participation of the individual is necessary to the federal award, and

The costs are reasonable and consistent with the district's established policy.

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GANA <u>Expense Reimbursement and Credit Cards</u> (See CEF and GAN) **GANA**

Non-administrative staff use of a district credit card, if authorized by the staff member's immediate supervisor, shall be confined to necessary school business and shall be subject to any guidelines for such use established by the board or district administration. Unless otherwise specified in guidelines established pursuant to this policy, staff members shall retain any receipt(s) for district credit card expenditure(s) and shall provide them to the staff member's immediate supervisor as soon as practicable following the expenditure.

The superintendent may designate administrative and other staff members to whom a district credit card will be issued. The board shall annually prescribe limits and restrictions on the use of district credit cards and shall monitor monthly receipts and reimbursement expenses. In no case will credit card expenditures in excess of $_____ in one {month/year} be authorized for any non-administrative staff member without the prior approval of the superintendent.

All rewards points or cash back payments earned using district credit cards are district property and shall be either applied to future district credit card purchases or remitted to the district treasurer for accounting and deposit.

Accountings of district credit card use shall be provided to the board for review on a monthly basis, and a record of district credit card usage shall be maintained. Expenses for district travel in personal vehicles or extended travel incurred in the performance of official duties shall be reimbursed in accordance with the provisions of GAN.

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GAO Maintaining Proper Control (See JGFB and GAAF) GAO

Each employee is responsible for maintaining proper control in the school. Unless otherwise specified in board policy, an employee may use reasonable force necessary to ward off an attack, to protect a student or another person, or to quell a disturbance which threatens physical injury to others.

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GAOA **Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace** (See LDD) **GAOA**

Maintaining a drug free work place is important in establishing an appropriate learning environment for the students of the district. Unless otherwise specified in this policy, the unlawful manufacture, distribution, sale, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited at school, on or in school district property; and at school sponsored activities, programs, and events. Possession and/or use of a controlled substance by an employee for the purposes of this policy shall only be permitted if such substance was obtained directly, or pursuant to a valid prescription or order issued thereto, from a person licensed by the state to dispense, prescribe, or administer controlled substances and any use is in accordance with label directions.

As a condition of employment in the district, employees shall abide by the terms of this policy.

Employees shall not unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, and/or use controlled substances in the workplace.

Any employee who is convicted under a criminal drug statute for a violation occurring at the workplace must notify the superintendent of the conviction within five days after the conviction. The superintendent shall then ensure that notice of such conviction is given to any granting agency within 10 days of receiving notice thereof.

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Within 30 days after the notice of conviction is received, the school district will take appropriate action with the employee. Such action may include, suspension, placement on probationary status, or other disciplinary action including termination. Alternatively, or in addition to any action short of termination, the employee may be required to participate satisfactorily in an approved drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program as a condition of continued employment. The employee shall bear the cost of participation in such program. Each employee in the district shall be given a copy of this policy.

This policy is intended to implement the requirements of the federal regulations promulgated under the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988. It is not intended to supplant or otherwise diminish disciplinary actions which may be taken under board policies or the negotiated agreement.

Maintaining a drug free workplace is important in establishing an appropriate learning environment for the students of the district. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the district.

Within 30 days after the notice of conviction is received, the school district will take appropriate action with the employee. Such action may include the initiation of termination proceedings, suspension, placement on probationary status, or other disciplinary action. Alternatively, or in addition to any other

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action short of termination, the employee may be required to participate satisfactorily in an approved drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program as a condition of continued employment. The employee shall bear the cost of participation in such program.

Each employee in the District shall be given a copy of this policy.

This policy is intended to implement the requirements of the federal regulations promulgated under the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988. It is not intended to supplant or otherwise diminish disciplinary actions which may be taken under board policies or the negotiated agreement.

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GAOB Drug-Free Schools (See JDDA and LDD) GAOB

The possession, use, sale, distribution, or being under the influence of controlled substances and/or alcohol by school employees at school; on, in, or while utilizing school property; or at school sponsored activities, programs, or events is prohibited.

Employee Conduct - As a condition of continued employment in the district, all employees shall abide by the terms of this policy. Employees shall not manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, use, and/or be under the influence of illicit drugs, controlled substances, and/or alcoholic beverages at school; on, in, or while utilizing school property; or at school sponsored activities, programs, or events.

Possession, use, and/or being under the influence of a controlled substance by an employee for the purposes of this policy shall only be permitted if such substance was:

1. Obtained directly from, or pursuant to a valid prescription or order, issued to such employee from a person licensed by the state to dispense, prescribe, or administer controlled substances; and
2. Used, if at all, in accordance with label directions.

Compliance with the terms of this policy is mandatory. Employees who are found violating the terms of this policy will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement officers. Additionally, an employee who violates the terms of this policy may be subject to any or all of the following sanctions:

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1. Short term suspension with pay;
2. Short term suspension without pay;
3. Long term suspension without pay;
4. Required participation in a drug and alcohol education, treatment, counseling, or rehabilitation program;
5. Termination or nonrenewal of employment relationship.

Prior to applying sanctions under this policy, employees will be afforded any due process rights to which they are entitled under their contracts or the provisions of Kansas law. Nothing in this policy is intended to diminish the right of the district to take any other disciplinary action. This policy is not intended to change any right, duty, or responsibilities in the current negotiated agreement.

If it is agreed that an employee shall enter into and complete a drug education or rehabilitation program, the cost of such program will be borne by the employee. A list of area drug and alcohol counseling and rehabilitation programs, along with names and addresses of contact persons for the programs, is on file with the board clerk.

Employees are responsible for contacting the directors of the programs to determine the cost and length of the program and for enrolling in the programs. If participation in such a program is required as a condition of continued employment, copies of any documentation related to enrollment in and attendance in such program shall be made available to the board and/or administration upon request.

A copy of this policy shall be provided to all employees.

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GAOC **Use of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Devices** **GAOC**
(See JCDAA)

The use of tobacco products in any form and/or of any nicotine delivery device is prohibited for staff members in any school building owned or operated by the district; within 10 feet of entrances, open windows, and air intake vents of such buildings; in other district facilities; and in school vehicles. {Any use of tobacco products or nicotine delivery devices on district property shall be only in areas designated for such purpose.}

For the purposes of this policy, "nicotine delivery device" means any device that can be used to deliver nicotine or nicotine salts to the person inhaling from the device. Such definition shall include, but may not be limited to, any electronic cigarette, cigar, cigarillo, pipe, or personal vaporizer.

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GAOD Drug and Alcohol Testing GAOD

All district employees performing job functions which require the employee to maintain a commercial driver's license shall be tested for alcohol and drugs as required by current federal law. Board approved rules and regulations necessary to implement the testing program shall be on file with the clerk.

Each new employee who is required to undergo alcohol and drug testing shall be given a copy of the appropriate district regulations.

Each new employee shall be informed that compliance with the required elements of the testing program is a condition of employment as a driver in the district. All employees shall be informed of this policy on an annual basis.

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GAOE **Workers Compensation** (See KFD) **GAOE**

The district will participate in workers compensation as required by current statute. The combined workers compensation benefits and salary received under allowed paid leave shall not exceed one full day's pay.

All employees of the district shall be covered by workers compensation. Workers compensation coverage is provided for all employees regardless of assignment, length of assignment, and/or hours worked per day. Benefits are for personal injury from accident or industrial diseases arising out of and in the course of employment in the district.

An injured employee must notify the designated employer's workers compensation coordinator or, if the coordinator is unavailable, his or her supervisor within 20 days of the injury or within 20 days of repetitive trauma in order to be eligible for benefits.

The workers compensation plan will provide coverage for medical expenses and wages to the extent required by statute to those employees who qualify; however, the amount of workers compensation benefits and paid leave benefits shall not exceed a regular daily rate of pay. An employee using paid leave in combination with workers compensation will be charged for one full or partial day of paid leave, as provided for in the applicable leave policy or the negotiated agreement, for each day of absence until the employee's paid leave is exhausted.

Any employee who is off work and receiving workers compensation benefits shall be required to provide the designated workers compensation

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coordinator with a written doctor's release before the employee is allowed to return to work. In addition, should the employee be released to return to work by a doctor and fail to do so, all benefits under paid leave shall terminate, and those benefits under workers compensation shall be restricted as provided by current statute.

Whenever an employee is absent from work and is receiving workers compensation benefits due to a work-related injury or is receiving district paid disability insurance, the employee may use available paid leave to supplement the workers compensation or district paid disability insurance payments. Workers compensation benefits and FMLA benefits provided in a board approved plan shall run concurrently if both are applicable.

In no event shall the employee be entitled to a combination of workers compensation benefits, district paid disability insurance, and salary in excess of his/her full salary. Available paid leave may be used for this purpose until 1) available paid leave benefits are exhausted; 2) the employee returns to work; 3) the employee is released by the medical provider and a position is offered by the employer, but the employee declines to return to work; or 4) employment is terminated. Paid leave shall be calculated on a prorata amount equal to the percentage of salary paid by the district.

Testing

The board, through its designated workers compensation coordinator, may require employees who claim or are involved in an accident in the course of employment to submit to a post-injury chemical test. This includes instances where the district administration or workers compensation coordinator has

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actual knowledge of an accident whether the employee has or has not requested medical treatment. If an employee refuses to submit to an employer requested post-injury chemical test, the employee forfeits all related workers compensation benefits as provided in K.S.A. 44-501(b)(1)(E). Chemical test collection, labeling, and performance shall meet the requirements found in K.S.A. 44-501(b)(3).

Choice of Physician

The board shall have the right to choose a designated health care provider to provide medical assistance to any employee who suffers an injury while performing their job. However, if the injured employee chooses to go to a medical provider other than the designated provider, the recovery for such expenses shall be limited to $500.00.

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GAOF Salary Deductions (See GAL) GAOF

Salary deductions shall be made if permitted by board policy, the negotiated agreement, or as required or authorized by law. The district shall comply with the salary basis requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA.)

The superintendent shall develop forms to provide information needed to make approved salary deductions. All requests for salary deductions shall be submitted to the superintendent during enrollment periods established by the board.

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GAQ **Retirement** **GAQ**

Employees are requested to notify the board of intent to retire by April 14th of their final year in the district.

Employees who retire before age 65 can stay in the district's health insurance plan until they reach age 65. They are to pay monthly prior to the 1st of the month. Employees who have had cancer can stay in the cancer group indefinitely if they cannot get an individual policy.

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Whenever an employee has been diagnosed by a physician as having a communicable disease as defined in current regulation, the employee shall report the diagnosis and nature of the disease to the superintendent or the superintendent's designee so that a proper reporting may be made to the county or joint board of health as required by current law.

An employee afflicted with a communicable disease dangerous to the public health shall be suspended from duty for the duration of the contagiousness in order to give maximum health protection to other school employees and to students.

The employee shall be allowed to return to duty upon recovery from the illness, or when the employee is no longer contagious as authorized by the employee's physician.

The board reserves the right to require a written statement from the employee's physician indicating that the employee is free from all symptoms of the communicable disease.

If a school employee has been diagnosed as having a communicable disease and the superintendent has been notified by the employee, the superintendent or the superintendent's designee shall determine whether a release shall be obtained from the employee's physician before the employee returns to duty. Decisions regarding the type of employment setting for an employee with a communicable disease shall be made by the superintendent or the **GAR –**

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superintendent's designee based upon consideration of the physical condition of the employee and the following factors:

- the nature of the risk;
- the duration of the risk;
- the severity of the risk; and
- the probability that the disease will be transmitted or cause harm to the employee or to others who will share the same setting.

No information regarding employees with communicable diseases shall be released by school personnel without the employee's consent except to comply with state or federal law.

Additional Certifications of Health

If at any time the board has reason to believe that an employee is suffering from an illness detrimental to the health of pupils, the board reserves the right to require such employee to provide the board with a new certificate of health in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the school's students.

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GARA **Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure Control Plan** **GARA**

The board shall adopt an exposure control plan. The plan shall be accessible to all employees and shall be reviewed and updated at least annually. All staff shall receive the training and equipment necessary to implement the plan.

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GARI **Family and Medical Leave** **GARI**

District employees shall be provided family and medical leave as provided by a plan approved by the board. The plan for providing leave under this policy shall be filed with the clerk of the board and made available to all staff at the beginning of each school year.

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Employees are entitled to military leave under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Act of 1994. The Act applies to military service that began on or after December 12, 1994 or military service that began before December 12, 1994 if the employee was a reservist or National Guard member who provided notice to the employer before leaving work.

Reemployment rights extend to persons who have been absent from work because of "service in the uniformed services." The uniformed services consist of the following military branches:

Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force or Coast Guard.
Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Air Force Reserve or Coast Guard Reserve.
Army National Guard or Air National Guard.
Commissioned corps of the Public Health Service.
Any other category of persons designated by the President in time of war or emergency.

"Service" in the uniformed services means duty on a voluntary or involuntary basis in a uniformed service, including:

Active duty.
Active duty for training.
Initial active duty for training.
Inactive duty training.
Full-time National Guard duty.
Absence from work for an examination to determine a person's fitness for any of the above types of duty.

The employee may be absent for up to five (5) years for military duty and retain reemployment rights. There are, however, exceptions which can exceed the five (5) years limit. Reemployment protection does not depend on the timing, frequency, duration or nature of an individual's service. The

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law enhances protections for disabled veterans including a requirement to provide reasonable accommodations and up to two (2) years to return to work if convalescing from injuries received during service or training.

The returning employee is entitled to be reemployed in the job that they would have attained had they not been absent for military service, with the same seniority, status and pay, as well as other rights and benefits determined by seniority. If necessary, the employer must provide training or retraining that enables the employee to refresh or upgrade their skills so they can qualify for reemployment. While the individual is performing military service, he or she is deemed to be on a furlough or leave of absence and is entitled to the non-seniority rights accorded other individuals on non-military leaves of absence. Individuals performing military duty of more than 30 days may elect to continue employer sponsored health care for up to 18 months at a cost of up to 102 percent of the full premium. For military service of less than 31 days, health care coverage is provided as if the individual had never left. All pensions which are a reward for length of service are protected.

Individuals must provide advance written or verbal notice to their employers for all military duty. Notice may be provided by the employee or by the branch of the military in which the individual will be serving.

Notice is not required if military necessity prevents the giving of notice; or, the giving of notice is otherwise impossible or unreasonable.

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Accrued vacation or annual leave may be used (but is not required) while performing military duty. The individual's timeframe for returning to work is based upon the time spent on military duty.

TIME SPENT ON MILITARY DUTY	RETURN TO WORK OR APPLICATION FOR REEMPLOYMENT
Less than 31 days:	Must return at the beginning of the next regularly scheduled work period on the first full day after release from service, taking into account safe travel home plus an eight (8) hour rest period.
More than 30 but less than 181 days:	Must submit an application for reemployment within 14 days of release from service.
More than 180 days:	Must submit an application for reemployment within 90 days of release from service.

The individual's separation from service must be under honorable conditions in order for the person to be entitled to reemployment rights. Documentation showing eligibility for reemployment can be required. The employer has the right to request that an individual who is absent for a period of service of 31 days or more provide documentation showing:

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the application for reemployment is timely;

the five-year service limitation has not been exceeded; and,

separation from service was under honorable conditions.

If documentation is not readily available or it does not exist, the individual must be reemployed. However, if after reemploying the individual, documentation becomes available that shows one or more reemployment requirements were not met, the employer may terminate the individual, effective immediately. The termination does not operate retroactively.

Questions should be directed to Veterans' Employment and Training Service, U.S. Department of Labor.

Kansas law also requires reemployment if an individual is called to active duty by the state. Also see negotiated agreement.

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GAT **Staff Use of Communication Devices** (See IIBG and IIBGC) **GAT**

The board encourages district employees to use technology, including communication devices, to improve efficiency and safety. The district expects all employees to use communication devices in a responsible manner that does not interfere with the employee's job duties. Employees who violate district policies and procedures governing the use of communication devices may be disciplined, up to and including termination, and may be prohibited from possessing or using communication devices while at work. Communication devices may not be used in any manner that would violate the district's policy on student-staff relations.

Definitions

"Communication device" is defined to include all portable devices that send or receive calls or text messages, allow the retrieval of email, or provide access to the Internet. Communication devices shall include, but may not be limited to cell phones, smart phones, iPads, and tablets.

"Use/Using" for the purposes of this policy mean answering or talking on the phone; sending or responding to a text, e-mail, or other communication; opening and viewing pictures or digital recordings; opening and listening to music or audio communications; accessing social media websites; playing games on such device; continuously checking a communication device; or any activity with a communication device that interferes with the employee's job duties or appropriate supervision of students.

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General Use

The district prohibits employees from using any communication device that interrupts or disrupts the performance of duties by the employee or otherwise interferes with district operations, as determined by the employee's supervisor. This prohibition applies regardless of whether the communication device used is owned by the employee or provided by the district. Employees are responsible for keeping communication devices secure and, if possible, password protected.

Supervision of students and the provision of academic instruction are priorities in the district, and employees who are responsible for supervising and/or providing academic instruction to students must concentrate on these tasks at all times. Employees shall not use communication devices when they are responsible for supervising students or when their doing so interrupts or interferes with classroom instruction unless any of the following conditions occurs:

- The device is being used to instruct the students being supervised at the time;
- The use is necessary to the performance of an employment-related duty;
- The employee has received specific and direct permission from a supervisor to do so; or
- There is an emergency.

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Even when these conditions exist, the employee is responsible for obtaining assistance in adequately supervising students during the approved use so that students are supervised at all times.

Use in Vehicles

Regardless of other provisions of this policy, unless there is an emergency, employees shall not use communication devices when:

- Driving district-provided vehicles;
- Operating a vehicle in which a student is being transported when the transportation is provided as part of the employee's job; or
- Supervising students who are entering or exiting a vehicle, crossing thoroughfares, or are otherwise attempting to safely reach their destinations.

Even in emergency situations, employees should first take all possible safety precautions before using communication devices. Employees are subject to local, state, and federal laws governing use of cell phones while driving and will be solely responsible for all traffic violation liabilities resulting from their use of a phone while driving.

Use of District-Provided Communication Devices

The district may provide communication devices and service to some employees to assist them in carrying out their employment-related duties on and off district property. Use of a district-provided communication device is a privilege.

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The superintendent or designee has sole discretion as to which employees will be provided communication devices and may recall any previously issued communication device. Employees do not have any expectation of privacy in district-provided communication devices or any information stored on them, and such devices may be confiscated and searched at any time.

Employees are expected to exercise reasonable care to protect district-provided communication devices from damage or theft and must report any such incidents immediately. The district may require employees to reimburse the district for any damage or theft that was the result of the employee's negligence. Users of district-provided communication devices must abide by any use limitations included in the district's service contract.

Personal Use of District-Provided Communication Devices

Personal use of district-provided communication devices is permissible as long as the use does not exceed the limits of the applicable plan. An employee whose use exceeds plan limitations will be required to reimburse the district for all expenses beyond those covered by the plan and may have privileges suspended or revoked unless the employee can show that all use was for employment-related duties and the device was not used for personal reasons. The amount of personal use of a communication device or service paid for under E-Rate can be no greater than the cost allocation submitted in the request for the E-Rate discount.

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Staff Bring Your Own Device Policy

Use of employees' personal communication devices during work hours shall be restricted to classroom or work-related activities. Such personal communication devices may only be used by the staff member and are not for student use. The security of personal computing devices is solely the responsibility of the staff member. Any loss resulting from damage or theft of personal communication devices in the school setting is not the responsibility of the district.

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GBH Supervision **GBH**

The superintendent and other administrators designated by the superintendent have the right to supervise licensed staff. The responsibility for the immediate supervision of licensed staff rests with each building principal.

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GBI Evaluation GBI

The board shall adopt an approved evaluation instrument. The instrument shall govern evaluation of teachers, shall be filed with the clerk and may be published in teacher handbooks.

Availability of Evaluation Documents

Completed evaluation documents shall be available to the employee, the superintendent, assistant superintendent, other administrators under whose supervision the teacher works, and others authorized by law. (See GAK)

Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation criteria shall be established by the board.

Also see the negotiated agreement.

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GBK Suspension **GBK**

The superintendent shall have the authority to suspend certified employees with pay until the suspension is resolved by board action.

The superintendent may suspend certified employees with pay for any reason, including one or more of the following: alleged violation of board policy, rule or regulation; refusal or failure to follow a reasonable directive of an administrator; the filing of a complaint against the employee with any civil or criminal authority; the alleged commission of an offense involving moral turpitude; or other good cause.

If a suspension is imposed on an employee pending dismissal, the employee is entitled to pay until the employee has a hearing before the board. The hearing shall determine whether further suspension shall be with or without pay.

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GBN Nonrenewal and Termination GBN

Nonrenewal or termination shall be in accordance with Kansas law and the negotiated agreement, as applicable.

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GBO Resignation GBO

The board shall consider any licensed employee's resignation which is submitted to the board in writing. The board may accept resignations from employees under contract when the resignation will be in the best interests of the district. Also see the negotiated agreement.

A licensed employee who has signed a contract and accepted a teaching position in the district for the coming year or who has not resigned by the continuing contract notice deadline shall not be released from that contract to accept another position until a suitable replacement has been employed.

If the licensed employee terminates employment in the district without complying with board policy, the board may petition the State Board of Education to have the teacher's license suspended.

Exit Interviews

Exit interviews may be conducted after an employee resigns.

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GBQA Reduction of Teaching Staff GBQA

If the board decides that the size of the teaching staff must be reduced, guidelines in the following rule or the negotiated agreement, if applicable, shall be followed. Insofar as possible reduction of staff shall be accomplished by attrition due to resignations and retirement.

The following steps will be utilized by the district's administrative staff to reduce the teaching staff:

The number of teaching positions to be reduced shall be in accordance with the educational goals established by the board. The number of teachers needed to implement the district's educational program will then be determined by the administrative staff based on those educational goals in determining which teachers will be nonrenewed due to reduction in force.

The educational goals and needs of the district, individual certifications, qualifications, training, skills, evaluations, and interests shall be considered.

If all of the teachers in the area identified for reduction have similar certifications, qualifications, training, skills, evaluations and interests, the teacher(s) who best meets the needs of the district, considering the factors outlined above and any other relevant factors, will be retained.

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Any certified employee who has not been reemployed as a result of reduction of the teaching staff shall be considered for reemployment if a vacancy exists for which the teacher would qualify. Certified employees who may be eligible for reemployment are required to notify the district of their current address. The superintendent will recommend to the board reinstatement of any teacher he/she deems qualified and able to serve the best interests of the district. The board shall not be required to consider reinstatement of any teacher after a period of one year from the date of nonrenewal.

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GBR Work Schedule (See JGFB) GBR

Certified personnel must be at their assigned area during each duty day. Any teacher who finds it necessary to leave while supervising students shall first secure approval from the principal. Building and playground assignments shall be made by the principal.

Attendance Required - Regular attendance is required of all employees subject to leave provisions in district policy or the negotiated agreement, as appropriate. Excessive absences or tardiness, unauthorized leave or unexcused absences may result in disciplinary action including termination of employment.

Time Schedules - The duty day for all certified staff members will be established each year in August by the superintendent or building principal. Each licensed employee shall be notified of the duty day schedule before each school year begins.

Work Load - The number of sections to which a teacher is assigned by the building principal shall be dependent upon availability of staff and number of students. Building and playground assignments on a regular basis will be made by the building principal.

School Day - The school day shall be established by the superintendent; also see the negotiated agreement.

Teachers to Remain in Classroom - Any teacher who finds it necessary to leave an assigned duty station while supervising students shall first secure approval from the building principal.

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GBRC Professional Development (See GBRH and GAN) GBRC

There shall be a program of professional development for employees, which meets minimum statutory and State Board of Education requirements. The program shall promote:

- continuous professional development;
- improving academic achievement for all students;
- diversification in academic foundations or subject knowledge; and
- improved job effectiveness and enhanced skills.

When appropriate, the superintendent shall consult with the staff about professional development activities.

All appropriate employees shall attend professional development sessions unless excused by the superintendent. Professional development programs may use all or a portion of the workday.

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GBRD Staff Meetings **GBRD**

Staff meetings for licensed personnel shall be called by the administration.

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GBRE **Additional Duty** **GBRE**

The board may establish other educational assignments that may extend beyond the school day or time class is in session. Compensation for such assignments, if any, will be as specified in the negotiated agreement.

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GBRF Student and Parent Conferences GBRF

Teachers shall be available for student and/or parent conferences at mutually convenient times. The principal may schedule individual or building-wide parent-teacher conferences as necessary.

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GBRG **Non-School Employment** **GBRG**

The board reserves the right of exclusive access to the professional services of certified employees in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Certified employees shall not engage in outside employment which interferes with their duties.

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GBRGA **Consulting** **GBRGA**

Certified employees may request to be excused from regular duty by the board to serve as paid or unpaid consultants to other districts, government agencies or private industry. If the employee takes paid leave to perform consulting services, any fee and/or honorarium paid to the employee shall be returned to the district.

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GBRGB **Tutoring for Pay** **GBRGB**

Teachers shall not receive pay for tutoring or private instruction at school unless approved in advance by the board.

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GBRH **Leaves and Absences** (See GBRC) **GBRH**

Licensed employees will be provided with paid and unpaid leave in accordance with applicable law and the negotiated agreement. The board reserves the right to grant additional leave.

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GBRIBA

Disability Leave GBRIBA

The board may grant leave of absence for disability with or without pay.

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GBRJ Substitute Teaching GBRJ

Qualified substitute teachers shall be secured for the district.

The superintendent may meet with potential substitutes before the start of each school year.

The superintendent and substitute coordinator shall compile a list of available substitute teachers, and each principal shall have a current copy.

The substitute coordinator shall be responsible for obtaining substitute teachers from the list and employing them as needed.

The superintendent or his representative shall be responsible for developing a substitute's handbook.

The board shall establish the rate of pay for substitute teachers each July.

Substitutes employed for more than ten consecutive school days will be placed at the base rate on the salary schedule and paid at the daily rate for that particular placement (from old Board policy 2/17/1994).

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GBU **Ethics** (See IA and IKB) **GBU**

An educator in the performance of assigned duties shall:

- meet and continuously maintain applicable certification or licensure requirements as defined by state and/or federal law for position held;
- actively support and pursue the district's educational mission;
- recognize the basic dignity of all individuals;
- maintain professional integrity;
- avoid accepting anything of substantial value offered by another which is known to be or which may appear to influence judgment or the performance of duties;
- accurately represent professional qualifications; and
- be responsible to present any subject matter in a fair and accurate manner.

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GCA Compensation and Work Assignments GCA

Classified employees shall be paid according to pay rates established by the board. Payment shall be made at the established pay date following the end of each pay period.

Work Assignments

Subject to board approval, the superintendent shall develop time schedules for all classified employees. Work assignments for classified employees shall be made by the superintendent.

Attendance Required

Regular attendance is required of all employees subject to leave provisions in district policy, employee handbooks or other documents approved by the board. Excessive absences or tardiness, unauthorized leave or unexcused absences may result in disciplinary action including termination of employment.

Overtime

The employee shall not work more than 40 hours per week without the prior permission of the appropriate supervisor.

Compensation for Out-of-Town/Overnight Trips (See GAN)

When classified personnel are required to be out of town on district business, they shall be compensated in the following manner:

Regular or overtime pay as appropriate for time away from Effingham minus:

1. Eight hours for sleep when overnight;
2. Reasonable time for meals (normally one hour per meal); and
3. Time used exclusively for pleasure or personal business.

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GCI Classified Employee Evaluation GCI

All new classified employees shall be evaluated by his/her supervisor within sixty days after employment; and, within ten days of the evaluation a copy will be sent to the central office and the employee.

All new classified employees shall be evaluated again before the end of the contract year of employment by his/her supervisor; and, within ten days of the evaluation a copy will be sent to the central office and the employee.

All new classified employees shall be evaluated again during the second year of employment by his/her supervisor; and, within ten days of the evaluation a copy will be sent to the central office and the employee.

Following the second yearly evaluation, all classified employees shall be evaluated once every three years by his/her supervisor; and, within ten days of the evaluation a copy will be sent to the central office and the employee.

Classified employees shall be evaluated by the supervisor to whom they are assigned. Classified employees shall be evaluated on their personal qualities, their commitment to duty and work skills related to their job description. A copy of the completed evaluation will be given to the employee after it is signed by the employee and the evaluator and will be placed in the employee's personnel file.

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GCII Supplemental Employee Evaluation GCII

All new supplemental employees shall be evaluated immediately after the activity they sponsor ends, or if the activity extends for the entire school year, the evaluation is to be completed before the May board meeting. Within ten days of the evaluation, a copy will be sent to the central office and the employee.

All new supplemental employees shall be evaluated during the second year of their employment by their supervisor; and within ten days of the evaluation a copy will be sent to the central office and the employee.

Following the second year evaluation, all supplemental employees shall be evaluated at least once every third year by their supervisor; and within ten days of the evaluation a copy will be sent to the central office and the employee.

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GCK **Suspension** **GCK**

The superintendent shall have the authority to suspend classified employees with pay until the suspension is resolved by board action.

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GCRF **Non-School Employment** **GCRF**

Classified employees shall not be excused during their regularly assigned time schedule to perform outside employment. Classified employees shall not engage in outside employment which interferes with their duties.

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Unused Sick Leave

If the employee leaves the employment of the district for any reason, no payment will be made for unused sick leave.

Unpaid Leave

The board may grant a period of unpaid leave as determined by the board. The period of leave and reason for unpaid leave shall be determined by the board. The board shall not be required to pay any salary or benefits during periods of unpaid leave except as may be required by law.

Jury Leave

Any employee called to jury duty will be granted paid leave and such leave will not be deducted from the employee's credited paid leave.

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Illness

Part-time employees shall be given five days sick leave per year cumulative to 30 working days. Of the five days, a maximum of 5 personal & family combined may be used per year, which is deducted from sick leave. Personal leave is granted for emergency personal business that cannot be attended to on weekends and during vacations.

Full-time employees (bus drivers included) shall be given 10 days sick leave per year cumulative to 60 working days. Employees working 11 or 12 month contracts shall receive one additional sick day for each extra month, accumulative to 62 working days. A maximum of 10 personal and family combined may be used per year, which is deducted from sick leave. Personal leave is granted for emergency personal business that cannot be attended to on weekends and during vacations (New employees may use a maximum of ½ of the emergency personal days from July 1 to December 30th.)

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Immediate family is defined as: Employee's spouse, children, parents, brothers, sisters, grandparents, and spouse's parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters.

Any absence from duty must be reported to the immediate supervisor as soon as possible and the School Employee Report of absence filled out.

Payment for full-time employees for sick leave days accumulated in excess of 50 days will be made in June at the rate of $40.00 per day for 12-month employees and $25.00 per day of 9 -10 month employees. Bus drivers will be paid $15.00 per day. Part-time employees are paid for days in excess of 25 days at the rate of $14.50 per day.

Fringe Benefit

Non-certified employees who work a minimum of 20 hours per week will receive a defined insurance benefit of single membership in the district's low option insurance plan.

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GCRH Vacations **GCRH**

Full-time classified employees may be granted a paid vacation each year.

Twelve month classified employees shall be granted vacations annually as follows:

Ten days after the first year worked.

Fifteen days after the fifteenth year worked.

Twenty days after the twentieth year worked.

Employees may not take more than 12 days of vacation during the months of June, July and August without superintendent approval. Vacation days not used prior to an employee's new contract date are forfeited unless approval is received from the superintendent to carry over.

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GCRI **Paid Holidays** **GCRI**

Paid holiday leave may be granted to classified employees.

Paid holidays for non-certified employees will be July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Friday following Thanksgiving Day, Good Friday, Christmas day, New Year's Day President's Day and Memorial Day.

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HAC **Scope of Negotiations** **(See HAI)** **HAC**

Negotiations shall cover only topics that are mandatorily negotiable under current law. The board reserves the right to negotiate any topic the board deems in the best interest of the district.

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HAE **Board Negotiating Agents** **HAE**

The board shall select as its agents those persons the board feels will best represent the interests of the district.

Each year the board shall designate its agents for the purpose of negotiating during the current school year. The superintendent and the board president shall make recommendations to the board in regard to who shall be the chief negotiator for the board and other members of the negotiation team.

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HAF **Superintendent's Role** **HAF**

The superintendent shall not be the chief negotiator for the board. The superintendent shall only act in an advisory capacity.

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HAHBA **Use of School Facilities** **HAHBA**

School facilities shall be made available for negotiating sessions.

School facilities for negotiating sessions shall be made available without cost to the teachers' organization. If the representatives of the teachers wish to negotiate in facilities not furnished by the board, none of the costs of any other facilities shall be paid for by the board.

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HAHBB **Use of School Equipment** **HAHBB**

The board may make school equipment available for negotiating sessions.

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The time, place, duration, notification, agenda and rules of order shall be as agreed by the board team and teachers' team.

Distribution of Information

Board distribution of information concerning negotiating sessions shall be discretionary with the board.

Research Assistance

Upon request, the board shall furnish to the association any information which is public record. The board may agree to furnish other information in a form determined by the board.

Minutes and Records

The board's team shall keep reasonably detailed minutes and records of all negotiating sessions.

Reporting to Staff and Board

The board's team shall keep the board fully advised at all times as to the status of negotiations. The board shall report to the staff such information as the board deems advisable.

Reporting to the Media and Public

The board reserves the right to release to the media and public information regarding negotiations.

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Minutes and Records

One member of the board's team shall be designated to keep reasonably detailed minutes and records of all negotiating sessions. Following each session, a person shall transcribe the minutes and notes and distribute the minutes to the board.

Reporting to the Staff and Board

The board shall, through the superintendent, be fully advised as to the status of the negotiating sessions. The board shall be furnished copies of the minutes and records of each session. The board shall, through the superintendent, report to the staff information as the board deems advisable.

Reporting to the Media and Public

Before any school board news release or statement on negotiations to the press and public is made, the release shall be prepared by the chief negotiator and the superintendent and approved by the president of the board. If the president of the board is unavailable, the vice-president of the board shall make the determination, and if he is also unavailable, the superintendent shall make the determination. No other person is authorized to release to the public or press, on behalf of the board, any information in regard to negotiations.

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Research Assistance

Information not currently available in the form requested by the association, at the discretion of the board, may be supplied if the association reimburses the board for any additional expenses. (See CN)

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HAJ **Preliminary Agreement Disposition** **HAJ**

All tentative agreements shall be reported to the board.

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HAK **Ratification Procedures** **HAK**

The board will not engage in piecemeal ratification of agreements. The board will not take action on the total "package of agreements" until after the teachers' association has acted upon the same package of agreements. If after the completion of impasse procedures, the board and teachers' association have not reached agreement, the board shall take action to conclude the matter as provided by law.

All tentative or preliminary agreements shall be placed in one package and presented to the board for its consideration.

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HAL **Announcement of Agreement** **HAL**

The board may announce its ratification of the agreement.

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HAN Slowdowns **HAN**

The board opposes work slowdowns by its teachers.

If any district teachers engage in a practice commonly known as a "slowdown," the board shall immediately direct the superintendent and other administrators to investigate the situation and report back to the board instances in which a teacher is not performing in accordance with the terms of the contract. The board shall take whatever action may be deemed appropriate, including termination of the teacher.

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IA Philosophy IA

"Our Mission is to be a Community School District founded on student achievement through academic excellence and educational opportunity to ensure personal success."

All students shall have an equal opportunity to pursue and acquire knowledge and to master the curriculum's objectives. The program shall provide for student mastery of basic skills, higher order thinking skills, the ability to work in groups and individually, individual physical and mental well-being and other varied needs and interests of students. The curriculum shall be outcomes-oriented and the instructional program research-based.

The educational process shall be a comprehensive program undertaken in cooperation with parents, institutions and community programs.

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IB School Site Councils (See KA) **IB**

A site council shall be established in each district building. Each council shall be responsible for providing advice and counsel for evaluating state, school district, and school site performance goals and objectives and in recommending methods that may be employed at the school site to meet these goals and objectives. Discussions may include allocations of the school budget and administrative and management functions.

The membership of each council shall include, at a minimum, the building principal, and representatives of: teachers and other school personnel, parents of pupils attending the school, the business community, and community leaders.

Each principal shall submit, for the board's consideration, names of individuals to be considered for appointment to the site council. The board shall appoint site council members.

Each site council shall establish meeting schedules that shall be subject to board approval. Each council shall report to the board at least one time a year.

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DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The chair shall preside at all meetings and have general supervision of the council's activities. The chair shall work with the principal in planning and directing the council's activities.

The chair, in consultation with the principal, shall prepare an agenda for all council meetings and arrange for the agenda to be delivered to each member at least 3 days before each meeting. The vice chair shall exercise all functions in the absence of the chair and assist the chair as needed.

The secretary is responsible for:

Keeping an account of the proceedings and transactions of all council meetings;

Providing a copy of the minutes to the council members and the clerk of the board within 10 days of each meeting;

Preparing any official correspondence, the chair may request;

Maintaining a council file in the school's administrative offices containing copies of all minutes, council correspondence, the annual school report and the current council guidelines; and

Maintaining a list of council members with current contact information, including e-mail addresses.

MEETINGS

The council shall meet as locally determined in the location on the determined dates. Special meetings may be called by the chair or vie chair as long as all council members are notified of the meeting at least two days in advance and notice of the meeting is given to those who have requested notice of council meetings.

The first council meeting of the academic year shall be called in September.

Three council members shall constitute a quorum. (A quorum must be present to conduct business.)

All council meetings are open to the public, and members of the public shall be encouraged to attend. Persons desiring to speak at a council meeting may request to be put on the agenda no later than three days before the meeting date.

REPORTS

The council shall report to the board one time a year. Reports shall be written and filed with the clerk of the board. The board may invite some or all of the members to discuss the reports. After the board accepts each report, copies shall be shared with the principal and staff.

LEGAL DUTIES

The council shall report to the Kansas State Board of Education if required.

TRAINING

Site councils shall not have any of the powers and duties reserved by law or regulation to the school board.

AMENDMENTS

Site councils comply with all applicable conditions of the *Kansas Open Meetings Act* and the *Kansas Open Records Act*.

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IC Curriculum Development (See IDA) IC

The certified staff shall cooperatively develop an integrated, comprehensive outcomes-oriented K-12 curriculum based on valid educational research and current State Board of Education requirements, and which includes goals and learning objectives for review and consideration by the board. When approved by the board of education the district goals and learning objectives shall be used by the staff as the basis for developing and implementing instructional programs. The superintendent shall develop a schedule for periodic curriculum review on a subject-by-subject basis.

Modification - All additions, deletions or major alterations of a course of study shall be approved by the board.

Personnel - Outside resource and district personnel may be used in curriculum development. (See BBG)

Financial Resources - The board encourages the superintendent to secure federal, state and private grants, or other alternative funding sources for use in curriculum development. The certified staff is encouraged to utilize available material and community resources to assist in developing the instructional curriculum and extending beyond the traditional classroom setting.

Evaluation (See IJ)

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IC Educational Program IC

The educational program shall assist students to grow intellectually, to master the curriculum objectives, and to prepare for further education or training. Specifics of the educational program will be clearly described and kept available for public inspection.

Curriculum Handbooks

Curriculum handbooks shall contain an outline of each course and the learning objectives to be mastered. Each handbook, when approved by the board, shall become by reference a part of these policies.

Educational Goals and Objectives

District educational goals and curriculum objectives shall be on file in the district office and available for inspection upon request. (See CN)

Additional Educational Programs

Additional educational programs shall be in one of the following categories:

Special Programs (IDAA), Support Programs (IDAB) and Exceptional Programs (IDAC).

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ICA Pilot Projects (See IDAE) ICA

The board supports the use of pilot projects before any new instructional technique is implemented on a district-wide basis.

Pilot project means any research or experimentation program or project designed to explore or develop new, unproven teaching methods or techniques. All instructional materials, including teachers' manuals, audio/visual materials or any other supplementary instructional material to be used in connection with a pilot project shall be available for inspection by parents or guardians of students engaged in the program or project.

Pilot Project Evaluation - Before any pilot project proposal is submitted to the board for approval, an evaluation format shall be developed and included with the pilot project.

Student Surveys - Except as provided in board policy IDAE with regard to surveys about a student's or the student's parents' or guardians' personal beliefs or practices on issues such as sex, family life, morality, or religion, any instrument designed to survey students, either by district staff or by an outside agency or individual, shall be made available for inspection by parents or guardians before the survey is administered.

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ICAA **Teaching Methods** **(See ICA)** **ICAA**

Use of current research findings to improve instruction is required as a part of the district's school improvement efforts. The teaching staff is required to keep abreast of current research-based teaching methods.

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ID Instructional Program (See IDA) ID

All certified staff shall cooperatively develop an integrated, comprehensive, performance-oriented preK-12 Instructional Program, which will be composed of the specific courses and programs offered that allow students to meet the goals and objectives set forth in the educational program. It is to include district instructional goals and learning objectives and be based on valid educational research and current State Board of Education requirements. After board of education approval, district instructional goals and learning objectives shall be used by the staff as the basis for developing and implementing specific curricula. The superintendent shall develop a schedule for periodic curriculum reviews.

Modification

Additions, deletions or alterations to the Instructional Program shall be approved by the board.

Personnel

Outside resources and district personnel may be used in curriculum development. (See BBG)

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Financial Resources

The board encourages the superintendent to secure federal, state and private grants, or other alternative funding sources for use in curriculum development. The certified staff is encouraged to use available commercial, public domain and community resources to assist in developing the instructional program and extending it beyond the traditional classroom setting.

Evaluation (See IJ)

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IDA Educational Program (See IC) IDA

The academic program shall assist students to grow intellectually, to master the curriculum objectives, and to prepare for further education or training. The board shall consider the district's basic educational program each year. And, when approved, the program shall constitute the district's basic curriculum.

Curriculum Handbooks - Curriculum handbooks shall contain an outline of each basic course and the learning objectives to be mastered. Each handbook, when approved by the board, shall become a part of these policies and rules by reference.

Educational Goals and Objectives - District educational goals and curriculum objectives for the basic educational program shall be on file in the district office, and available for inspection upon request. (See CN)

Other Educational Programs - Other educational programs provided by the district shall be in one of the following categories:

Special Programs (IDAA), Support Programs (IDAB) and Exceptional Programs (IDAC).

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Extracurricular Activities

Any 7th through 12th grade student who participates in any extra-class activity that is adjudicated (athletics, music, speech, debate, drama, etc.) in any student government body such as a student council or in service as a class officer or present of a student organization or association must meet the following scholastic requirements:

In order to be eligible to participate in USD 377 sponsored athletics/activities, students must have earned a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average. This cumulative grade point average will only include semester grades. Students who do not have a cumulative semester grade point average of at least 2.0 at the end of each semester will be ineligible to participate in USD 377 athletics/activities the following semester in accordance with KSHSAA guidelines.

Students who appear on the D/F list may be required to participate in academic assistance activities. Students "not in good standing" because of Code of Conduct violations can be restricted from participating in USD 377 sponsored athletics/activities.

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In addition to the basic educational program, the district shall provide programs to meet special needs. These programs shall be outlined in the appropriate handbooks or other documents following review and approval by the board.

Partnerships

The board may approve partnership programs with business and/or educational institutions for the purpose of improving and/or expanding the quality of curricular offerings, and may approve opportunities for partnership organizations to assist with specified programs.

Work-Study Programs

The certified staff and administration shall cooperate to develop objectives for a work-study program when requested by a student and a member of the business community.

Special Programs

Partnerships

When a partnership is created, a committee shall be formed with the minimum membership composed of the building principal, one teaching staff member, and a representative of the business and/or the educational institution. The committee shall be responsible for developing the partnership's goals and objectives, scheduling meeting times, deciding appropriate activities, and identifying available resources to help meet the partnership's goals and objectives subject to board approval.

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An annual review of the partnership's goals and objectives shall be conducted by the committee and submitted in writing to the board.

Partnerships shall not exceed one year. However, continuation on a year-to-year basis may be granted by the board if requested by the committee in their annual report.

Work-Study Programs

Student participation in a work-study program shall be on an individual basis and shall be the responsibility of the principal. The superintendent shall develop guidelines for use when considering work-study applications from students or the business community for participation in a work-study program.

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IDAB Support Programs IDAB

In addition to the basic programs approved by the board, the district shall provide student support programs. Support program information approved by the board shall be filed with the clerk and made available to staff as needed.

Drug Education

All students shall be made aware of the legal, social and health consequences of drug and alcohol use. Students shall be instructed on effective techniques for resisting peer pressure to use illicit drugs or alcohol. Students shall be informed that the use of illicit drugs and the unlawful possession and use of alcohol is both wrong and harmful.

The board's comprehensive drug and alcohol abuse and prevention program shall be included as part of the district's curriculum. The curriculum at each grade level shall be age-appropriate and developmentally based.

A student who voluntarily seeks assistance, advice or counseling from school personnel regarding drugs or drug abuse shall not be disciplined by school authorities solely on the basis of seeking assistance.

Student Mental Health

Appropriate mental health awareness and suicide prevention programs shall be initiated and continued in the district.

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The superintendent shall develop and implement a student mental health awareness program. If professionals necessary to carry out this program are not available within the school system, the superintendent shall identify community or area mental health agencies able to provide the necessary assistance and seek to establish a continuing cooperative relationship with the appropriate agencies.

Dropout Prevention

The program(s) to prevent students from dropping out of school, or to encourage dropouts to return to school shall be: the School Student Improvement Team.

The staff shall incorporate the philosophy and goals of this policy into the schools' programs.

At-Risk Students

The superintendent shall be responsible for developing a program for identifying and working with at-risk students.

Guidance

The guidance program shall be organized to meet the needs, interests and abilities of all students.

Counselor(s) shall perform guidance services consistent with district philosophy, job descriptions and board policies.

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Homebound Instruction

If a child is unable to attend school because of lengthy illness or injury, homebound instruction may be provided if:

The parent makes the request for homebound instruction; and

The family physician recommends homebound instruction in writing.

The principal shall be responsible for obtaining a teacher for the student. When appropriate, the director of special education is responsible for filing the necessary papers with the Division of Special Education, State Board of Education.

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IDAC **Exceptional Programs** **IDAC**

In addition to the basic programs approved by the board, the district shall provide programs to meet exceptional needs. Program information approved by the board shall be filed with the clerk and made available to staff as needed.

List Other Appropriate Information Here

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IDACA Special Education Services **IDACA**

In accordance with the provisions of Federal and state law, it is the policy of this district to provide a free appropriate public education for every exceptional child (as defined by K.S.A. 72-3404) who is a resident of this district or attends a private or parochial school located in this district. Special education services are provided for such children, including individual educational programs offered in the least restrictive environment.

Child Find, Identification, and Eligibility

The district shall coordinate and maintain a system which schedules and structures available services for pupils who are referred to determine eligibility for special education services in accordance with procedural processes established in Federal and state law.

Actions and Due Process for Students

Parental involvement and cooperation is important to the success of these educational programs. In order to encourage the involvement and cooperation of parents in special education services and to safeguard the rights of exceptional children to a free appropriate public education, the board utilizes and refers parents to the "Procedural Safeguards in Parent Rights in Special Education" published by the Kansas State Department of Education.

In the provision of special education and related services, the district will implement all Federal and Kansas statutes, rules, and regulations.

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IDACB Section 504 Accommodations for Students IDACB

In accordance with the provisions of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the district is committed to providing students with disabilities the opportunity to participate in and benefit from its programs and activities. Accordingly, the district will make reasonable modifications to its programs and activities to accommodate otherwise qualified students with disabilities, unless such modifications would impose an undue burden on the operation of the particular program or activity or would fundamentally alter the nature or purpose of the program or activity. No district board member, employee, or contractor shall retaliate against any person because of his or her exercise of rights under Section 504.

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IDAD Title I Programs IDAD

The board shall ensure the district's Title I programs operate in accordance with federal laws and conditions. The superintendent is responsible for administering the district's Title I program; assessing the educational needs of all students, particularly the needs of educationally disadvantaged children; developing appropriate communication channels between all parties; to the extent practicable, providing full opportunities for the participation of parents /guardians with limited English proficiency, parents/guardians with disabilities, and parents/guardians of migrant children, including providing information and school reports required under federal law in a format and language such parents/guardians can understand; developing in-service training for parents and staff; and developing appropriate evaluation procedures.

Annual Parent Meeting - The board shall designate at least one meeting date each school year to provide parents of Title I students an opportunity to meet with school personnel in order to participate in the design and implementation of the Title I program.

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IDAD-Regulation-Title I Programs

Regulation – Title I

Parental Involvement Encouraged

Parents shall receive information about the Title I program, the curriculum, academic assessments, and required proficiency levels, and their right to request additional meetings. All parents of Title I students shall be invited to the meetings.

The board shall strongly encourage parental involvement in the district's Title I program. Included in these efforts shall be: activities that will educate parents regarding the intellectual and developmental needs of their children at all age levels including:

- Assistance in understanding.
  - State academic content and achievement standards;
  - How to monitor their child's progress; and
  - Title I regulations.
- Activities that include promoting cooperation between the district and other agencies or school/community groups (such as parent-teacher groups, Head Start, Parents as Teachers, etc.) to furnish learning opportunities and disseminate information regarding parenting skills and child/adolescent development.

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- Implementing strategies to involve parents in the educational process, including: Joint development of a school-parent compact that outlines the shared responsibilities of the school and the parent for high student achievement by:
    - Keeping families informed of opportunities for involvement and encouraging participation in various programs.
    - Providing access to educational resources for parents/families to use together with their children.
    - Keeping families informed of the objectives of district educational programs as well as of their child's participation and progress within these programs.
    - Allowing parents reasonable access to staff who work with their children.
    - Providing professional development opportunities for teachers and staff to enhance their understanding of effective parent involvement strategies.
    - Promoting activities, which emphasize the importance of parent-school communication.

Activities to Enable Parental Participation

The district shall enable families to participate in the education of their children through a variety of roles. For example, family members shall be given opportunities to:

- Provide input into district policies that affect Title I programs and their children.
- Understand and participate in school improvement efforts.
- Volunteer time within classrooms and school programs.
- Perform regular evaluations of parent involvement at each school and at the district level.
- Provide access, upon request, to any instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

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- Provide information in a language understandable to parents, if practical.

Scheduling for Parents' Convenience

The district shall, to the extent possible, schedule activities for parent involvement at times and places accessible to parents of Title I students and provide information in a format and language the parents understand.

Annual Evaluation

The district shall conduct, with involvement of parents, an annual evaluation of the contents and effectiveness of the parental involvement policy IDAD. The district shall use the findings of the evaluation to design strategies for more effective parental involvement and to revise, if necessary, the policy IDAD.

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Title I Parent Involvement: Policy Development Meetings

USD 377, Atchison County, KS

Date of Meeting/s (fill out sheet for each meeting): _____

Parents Present (list names, address, phone, child's name):

Name	Address	Phone	Child's Name

Major Topics Discussed:

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Proposed changes (if any) made to IDAD

Administrators and other school employees present:

Name	**Title/Position**	**Building**

Copies to: Clerk of the Board; Superintendent of Schools; School Principal

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IDAE Student Privacy Policy IDAE

(See BCBK, ICA, ICAA, II, and JR et seq.)

The superintendent, the board and staff shall protect the right of privacy of students and their families in connection with any surveys or physical examinations conducted, assisted, or authorized by the board or administration. The district shall annually provide parents notice of their rights under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment and the Student Data Privacy Act, at the beginning of each school year, and at any other time the school district policies in the area are substantially changed.

Student Data Restrictions - Any student data submitted to and maintained by a statewide longitudinal student data system shall only be disclosed in accordance with the Student Data Privacy Act. Disclosure of all other student data or student record information maintained is governed by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA").

Annual written notice presented to parents and legal guardians of district students shall: 1) require parent or guardian's signature; and 2) shall state student data submitted to and maintained by a statewide longitudinal data system only be disclosed as follows.

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Student data may be disclosed to:

- The authorized personnel of an educational agency or the state board of regents who require disclosures to perform assigned duties; and
- The student and the parent or legal guardian of the student, provided the data pertains solely to the student.

Student data may be disclosed to authorized personnel of any state agency, or to a service provider of a state agency, educational agency, or school performing instruction, assessment, or longitudinal reporting, provided a data-sharing agreement between the educational agency and other state agency or service provider provides the following:

- purpose, scope, and duration of the data-sharing agreement;
- recipient of student data use such information solely for the purposes specified in agreement;
- recipient shall comply with data access, use, and security restrictions specifically described in agreement; and
- student data shall be destroyed when no longer necessary for purposes of the data-sharing agreement or upon expiration of the agreement, whichever occurs first.

*A service provider engaged to perform a function of instruction may be allowed to retain student transcripts as required by applicable laws and rules and regulations. Destruction shall comply with the NISTSP800-88 standards of data destruction.

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Unless an adult student or parent or guardian of a minor student provides written consent to disclose personally identifiable student data, student data may only be disclosed to a governmental entity not specified above or any public or private audit and evaluation or research organization if the data is aggregate data. "Aggregate data" means data collected or reported at the group, cohort, or institutional level and which contains no personally identifiable student data.

The district may disclose:

- Student directory information when necessary and the student's parent or legal guardian has consented in writing;
- directory information to an enhancement vendor providing photography services, class ring services, yearbook publishing services, memorabilia services, or similar services;
- any information requiring disclosure pursuant to state statutes;
- student data pursuant to any lawful subpoena or court order directing such disclosure; and
- student data to a public or private postsecondary educational institution for purposes of application or admission of a student to such postsecondary educational institution with the student's written consent.

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Student Data Security Breach - If there is a security breach or unauthorized disclosure of student data or personally identifiable information of any student submitted to or maintained on a statewide student longitudinal data system, each affected student or the parent or legal guardian of the student, if a minor, shall be immediately notified, and an investigation into the causes and consequences of the breach or unauthorized disclosure will be conducted.

Biometric Data - The district shall not collect biometric data from a student or use any device or mechanism to assess a student's physiological or emotional state, unless the adult student or the parent or legal guardian of the minor student consents in writing. "Biometric data" includes measurable biological or behavioral characteristics that can be used for automated recognition of an individual, such as fingerprints, retina and iris patterns, voiceprints, DNA sequence, facial characteristics, and handwriting.

Nothing in this policy shall prohibit the collection of audio voice recordings, facial expression information, and student handwriting for:

- provision of counseling or psychological services,
- conducting student threat assessments,
- completing student disciplinary investigations or hearings, or
- conducting child abuse investigations.
- Select Student Surveys

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No test, questionnaire, survey, or examination containing any questions about a student's or the student's parents' or guardians' personal beliefs or practices on issues such as sex, family life, morality, or religion shall be administered to any student unless:

- the parent or guardian is notified in writing; and
- the parent or guardian of the student gives written permission for the student to participate.

Nothing shall prohibit school counselors from providing counseling services, including the administration of tests and forms as part of student counseling services. Any information obtained through such tests or counseling services shall not be stored on any personal mobile electronic device which is not owned by the school district. Storage of such information on personal laptops, tablets, phones, flash drives, external hard drives, or virtual servers not owned by the district is prohibited.

Students may be questioned:

- in the provision of psychological services,
- conducting of student threat assessments,
- completing student disciplinary investigations or hearings, or
- conducting child abuse investigations.

Collection of such information in these limited circumstances is permitted without prior written consent of the parent, guardian, or adult student.

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Annual Notice of Authorized Student Data Disclosures

In accordance with the Student Data Privacy Act and board policy IDAE, student data submitted to or maintained in a statewide longitudinal data system may only be disclosed as follows. Such data may be disclosed to:

- The authorized personnel of an educational agency or the state board of regents who require disclosures to perform assigned duties; and
- The student and the parent or legal guardian of the student, provided the data pertains solely to the student.

Student data may be disclosed to authorized personnel of any state agency, or to a service provider of a state agency, educational agency, or school performing instruction, assessment, or longitudinal reporting, provided a data-sharing agreement between the educational agency and other state agency or service provider provides the following:

- purpose, scope and duration of the data-sharing agreement;
- recipient of student data use such information solely for the purposes specified in agreement;
- recipient shall comply with data access, use, and security restrictions specifically described in agreement; and
- student data shall be destroyed when no longer necessary for purposes of the data-sharing agreement or upon expiration of the agreement, whichever occurs first.

*A service provider engaged to perform a function of instruction may be allowed to retain student transcripts as required by applicable laws and rules and regulations.

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Unless an adult student or parent or guardian of a minor student provides written consent to disclose personally identifiable student data, student data may only be disclosed to a governmental entity not specified above or any public or private audit and evaluation or research organization if the data is aggregate data. "Aggregate data" means data collected or reported at the group, cohort, or institutional level and which contains no personally identifiable student data.

The district may disclose:

- Student directory information when necessary and the student's parent or legal guardian has consented in writing;
- directory information to an enhancement vendor providing photography services, class ring services, yearbook publishing services, memorabilia services, or similar services;
- any information requiring disclosure pursuant to state statutes;
- student data pursuant to any lawful subpoena or court order directing such disclosure; and
- student data to a public or private postsecondary educational institution for purposes of application or admission of a student to such post-secondary educational institution with the student's written consent.

As the parent or legal guardian of _____, I acknowledge that I have been provided with notice of authorized student data disclosures under the Student Data Privacy Act.

_____ _____

Parent Signature Date

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Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment: Regulation

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NOTE: This document MUST be approved by board action to become policy. File with clerk, distribute to principals, and duplicate as necessary in district newsletters and other documents.

Surveys: Parental Inspection Rights

Parents shall have the right to inspect any survey created by a third party before it is administered or distributed to students in the school. Prior to distribution, parents shall have the right to inspect any survey that seeks information about: political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent; mental or psychological problems of the student or the student's family; sex behavior or attitudes; illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior; critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships; legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers; religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or student's parent; or income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program).

Written Permission Required

If such survey is funded in whole or in part by federal funds or if the survey concerns the student's or student's parents' or guardians' beliefs or practices on sex, family life, morality, or religion, it shall not be administered without providing notice to and the express written consent of a parent or guardian. If the survey is not federally funded and does not cover the aforementioned topics, parents must be given direct notification of the survey and be provided with an opportunity to opt their child out of the survey. If the survey is part of the curriculum, parents shall have the right to inspect any instructional materials used in conjunction with the survey.

Physical Examinations

Prior to the administration of any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening that is required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school, scheduled by the school in advance and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student, the school shall provide parents with notice of the activity and provide parents with an opportunity to opt their child out of the activity. This requirement does not apply to routine dental, hearing and vision screenings required under Kansas law.

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Parental Rights: Marketing Information

If the school collects, discloses or uses personal information from students for the purpose of marketing or selling that information, parents shall have a right to inspect any instrument used for the collection of such information before it is administered or distributed to students in school. Parents shall be provided with notice of such activities and provided with an opportunity to opt their child out of the activity. The requirements concerning activities involving the collection and disclosure of personal information from students for marketing purposes **do not apply** to the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the exclusive purpose of developing, evaluating, or providing educational products or services for or to students or educational institutions, such as the following:

1. College or other postsecondary education recruitment or military recruitment.
2. Book clubs, magazines, and programs providing access to low-cost literary products.
3. Curriculum and instructional materials used by elementary schools and secondary schools.
4. Tests and assessments used by elementary schools and secondary schools to provide cognitive, evaluative, diagnostic, clinical, aptitude, or achievement information about students.
5. The sale by students of products or services to raise funds for school-related or education-related activities.
6. Student recognition programs.

Release of Information – FERPA Rights

Unless the information collected from students is designated as directory information and is maintained outside of a statewide longitudinal student data system, no information gathered about students shall be released to third parties without the express written consent of the parent or eligible student. (See JRB)

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To save time in case of an audit, file a copy of the minutes with critical policies required by law.

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IDCE **College Classes** (See JBE and JQ) **IDCE**

With parental permission, eligible students who can complete graduation requirements as prescribed by the board are eligible to be released from school during the regular school day to attend classes at a Regent's university, community college, technical college, vocational educational school or Washburn University.

Concurrent Enrollment

A student enrolled in grades 11 or 12, or a gifted child in grades 9 through 12 who has demonstrated the ability to benefit from participation in the regular curricula of eligible postsecondary education institutions, may apply to the principal for permission to enroll at an eligible postsecondary education institution.

The district may enter into an agreement with the college for the purpose of allowing these students to receive dual credit.

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IDFA **Athletics** **IDFA**

District school/s shall not conduct athletic practice during the school day, and practice shall not be counted for credit or as a part of the school term.

District schools shall neither offer credit for athletic practice nor count athletic practice as a physical education course.

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IE Instructional Arrangements IE

Each building principal shall organize the instructional program in a manner compatible with these policies.

Class Size

Class size shall be determined by: class enrollment, teacher availability, budget and facility limitations.

Scheduling for Instruction

Class schedules shall be developed to meet district instructional goals and learning objectives.

Pre-enrollment

The administration shall develop and coordinate pre-enrollment activities each spring.

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Scheduling for Instruction

Grades 8-11 will conduct pre-enrollment activities in the spring of each year. The administrative team will develop and coordinate pre-enrollment activities each year in such a manner as not to disrupt the education process of any student for prolonged periods of time.

Student Schedules

The building principal and counselor will make every attempt to schedule students in the classes desired by the students.

Independent Study

The superintendent or designated representative together with a faculty committee shall develop guidelines which outline the framework of an independent study program. The superintendent and faculty committee shall also develop criteria to be used in the selection of students to participate in an independent study program.

Self-Contained Classrooms

All grades K-4 are self-contained classrooms.

Departmentalization

Grades 5-6, in Effingham, are departmentalized, but provisions may be made for a self-contained classroom for students in grades 5 and 6 who are not ready for a fully departmentalized classroom.

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IEB Charter Schools IEB

The board may consider a petition for the creation of a charter school if the petition meets all requirements of current law and regulations.

If a petition is denied, the board shall follow applicable provisions of current law.

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IF Textbooks, Instructional Materials and Media Centers IF

All textbooks, instructional materials and the selection criteria for media center materials used in the district shall be subject to board approval.

Textbooks and instructional materials shall support the district's instructional goals and learning objectives. Media center materials shall support and supplement the curriculum, promote wise use of leisure time, develop literary discrimination and appreciation, and encourage students to become productive citizens.

Textbook selection criteria shall be established by the board.

Challenges to textbooks, instructional materials or media center materials shall be considered in a manner prescribed by board policy.

Selection Criteria: Textbooks and Instructional Materials

Textbooks and instructional materials shall provide:

- An effective education for all students;
- Factual knowledge, literary appreciation, aesthetic values and ethical standards;
- Practice for students to develop abilities in critical thinking, communication, mathematics and science skills.

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Information which helps students develop an appreciation of American cultural, ethnic and racial diversity and balanced views concerning international, national, state and local issues and problems; and

Sufficient flexibility for meeting the special needs of individuals and groups.

The superintendent shall develop selection procedures which meet the above criteria which shall include a review of available material by instructional staff members.

Selection Criteria: Media Center Materials

Materials shall be chosen for accuracy, artistic quality, format and authoritativeness. Materials shall be chosen on various reading levels presenting different points of view, including current issues.

Books and other media materials shall be evaluated before purchase, either through direct examination or by using reputable, unbiased, professionally prepared selection tools.

The media center(s) shall obtain, process and circulate materials and equipment and provide references and other services to students and faculty. Media specialists shall work toward providing resources so that students have an opportunity to achieve high levels of performance.

Collection Development

The media collection shall be developed systematically, be well balanced in coverage of subjects, include various types of materials and a variety of content in various formats.

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The collection shall reflect, enrich and complement the broad interests represented in the curriculum. The collection should be large enough to allow materials to be placed in classrooms for extended periods of time.

Challenges of Materials (See IKD, KN)

Any person having a complaint about textbooks, media center or other instructional materials shall meet with the principal. If the matter cannot be resolved the principal shall notify the superintendent and ask the complainant to use a request for review form which is available through building principals or at the district office. After receiving the completed form, the superintendent shall meet with the complainant to discuss the complaint.

If the complaint is not resolved at the meeting with the superintendent, the complainant may request that the board consider the complaint. If the board chooses to consider the complaint, it shall forward all appropriate written materials to a review committee.

Review Committee

When a review committee is established by the board to handle complaints concerning textbooks, media center or instructional materials, the review committee shall be composed of:

The building principal, media specialist, two subject area specialists and two community members.

The committee's charge shall be:

To review the material and prepare a written report containing conclusions and recommendations within 30 days;

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To direct a written report to the board; and

To send the complainant a copy of the report.

The Review Committee Shall:

Examine and evaluate the material as a whole; consider the district's policy, procedure and philosophy for selection of textbook, instructional materials and media center materials; and

Weigh strengths and weaknesses and form opinions based upon the selection criteria.

If the complainant is dissatisfied with the committee's recommendation, an appeal of the decision may be made to the board for a hearing and final decision. If an appeal is requested by the complainant, the superintendent shall request that the board schedule an appeal and shall prepare in advance of the appeal all appropriate documentation for the board's study.

Removing Challenged Materials

Challenged materials shall not be removed from use during the review period.

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USD 377
REQUEST FOR REVIEW OF A TEXTBOOK,
INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL,
OR
MEDIA CENTER MATERIAL

Request initiated by _____

Telephone _____ Address _____

Complainant represents: _____ self; or if a group:

Name of group _____

The material I object to is a: film___ recording ____ magazine ____ pamphlet ____ textbook ____ other ____.

Book or other material _____

Author (if known)_____

Publisher (if known) _____

1. Are you familiar with the district policy, procedure and philosophy regarding selection of text books, instructional materials and media center materials? ____ Y ____ N

2. To what in the material do you object? (Please be specific; cite pages or items.)

_____

_____

3. What do you feel might be the result of using this material? _____

_____

_____

4. Did you read or view all this material? _____ If no, how were the parts selected for reading or viewing?

_____

_____

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5. What do you believe is the theme of this material? _____

_____

6. What would you recommend the school do with this material?

_____

_____

_____

7. In its place, what material of equal educational quality would you recommend that would convey as valuable a picture and perspective?

_____

8. Additional comments: _____

_____

_____

_____ _____

Administrator Signature of complainant

Date received: _____

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IFBH Outside Speakers (See IKB) IFBH

With administrative approval, outside speakers may be invited to meet with groups of students as part of the educational process.

The board shall establish rules governing the selection and behavior of outside speakers.

Outside speakers should be selected so that various points of view are presented.

Speakers shall be informed of this policy and its rules when they are invited to make a presentation.

Language cannot be used that calls for students to be disruptive.

The teacher/sponsor or any member of the school administration may interrupt or suspend any proceedings if the speaker is not abiding by these regulations.

With prior board approval an honorarium may be paid to outside speakers.

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IFC **Community Resources** (See KFD) **IFC**

The use of community resources is encouraged where legitimate educational objectives may be advanced.

The licensed staff shall maintain a list of suitable community resources which may be used for field trips and other excursions.

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IFCB Field Trips **IFCB**

USD Approved Field Trips

Field trips may be approved by the principal when reasonable educational objectives can be established.

Advance requests for field trips including transportation and other resource needs shall be submitted by the teacher to the principal. Each building principal shall develop a form to notify parents of a forthcoming field trip. The form shall include the nature of the trip, departure time, expected return time, name of sponsor(s) and mode of travel. The form shall also include a space where a parent may ask that a child be excused and the reasons for the excuse.

Non-Sanctioned Field Trips

Non-sanctioned field trips organized by employees acting as independent contractors/agents involving students on a volunteer, self-supporting basis are not approved by the board and are not considered a part of the curriculum. Total responsibility for privately planned field trips or tours rests with the individual(s) and agency sponsoring them. The district assumes no legal or financial responsibilities for non-sanctioned field trips.

Every attempt should be made to schedule non-board approved trips during weekends and/or vacation periods. If travel arrangements necessitate that some school days are missed, normal procedures for staff and students absences must be followed.

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Non-sanctioned Field Trips(continued)

If recruitment of students is sought through the schools(s), the request for recruitment shall be made in accordance with those of private citizens. Recruitment efforts **{may/may not}** occur during class time or the employee's work day.

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NOTE: This form must be signed and returned to the school by _____(date)

if the student named below is to participate in the field trip or activity.

Consent to Participate in Field Trip or Other Activity and Consent for Treatment

I,_____, the parent and legal guardian of _____

give my consent for my child to participate in the field trip/other activity described here:

_____

on_____date. I further give my legal consent and authorize any representative of USD 377 School to authorize emergency medical treatment, including any necessary surgery or hospitalization, for my above-named child, for any injury or illness of an emergency nature he/she incurred while participating in the field trip or other activity noted above by any physician or dentist licensed in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas Healing Arts Act, K.S.A. 65-2801, and any hospital.

I agree to pay and assume all responsibility for medical and hospital expenses and any emergency services incurred on behalf of my child.

I acknowledge and agree that USD 377 School is not responsible for any medical, hospital expenses and/or other charges that are incurred in the medical treatment or hospitalization of my child. A photocopy of this document shall have the same force and effect as the original. If my child requires emergency medical treatment, I understand that school personnel will make a reasonable attempt to contact me to seek my permission to authorize that treatment. To facilitate contacting me, I agree to continue to provide current work and home phone numbers to the school.

_____

Parent or Legal Guardian Date

_____

Parent or Legal Guardian Date

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IHA **Grading System** **IHA**

The district shall have methods for assessing and reporting the quality of student academic progress to parents as approved by the board.

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IHB **Homework** **IHB**

Homework shall not be used as a means to discipline students. Homework shall be assigned as needed to reinforce lessons introduced in the classroom.

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IHEA **Make-Up Opportunities** **(See JBD, JDD)** **IHEA**

Within time limits established by the administration, all teachers shall supply make-up work assignments when requested. The time limits shall be included in the staff and student handbooks each year.

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IHF **Graduation Requirements** (See JFCA) **IHF**

The board may adopt graduation requirements exceeding the minimums set forth by state regulation. Unless otherwise provided herein, in order to qualify for graduation, the board requires each candidate to earn 24 academic credits of a type meeting state and district requirements beginning with the class of 2016.

Exceptions may be granted by the board to waive local graduation requirements that are in excess of the state minimum requirements for students on a case by case basis.

The board shall award a student a diploma if the student is at least 17 years old; is enrolled or resides in the district; was in custody of the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC), the Secretary for DCF, or a federally recognized Indian tribe in this state at any time on or after the student's 14th birthday; and has achieved at least the minimum high school graduation requirements adopted by the state board of education.

Other situations which may warrant waiver of graduation requirements in excess of the minimum requirements adopted by the state board include, but may not be limited to, the following circumstances:

- If such student is an adult learner whose four-year cohorts have graduated; or
- if such student is attending an alternative school or program and has experienced high mobility, teen pregnancy, long-term illness, or other hardship conditions.

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II Educational Testing Program (See JR et seq.) II

The district educational testing program shall consist of multiple assessments. These assessments shall include, as a minimum, individual teacher subject matter tests, district group achievement tests, and state required tests.

Test Integrity

The board requires all licensed staff members to protect the integrity of the student assessment process. Honest administration of the test and accurate reporting of student achievement to the board, the community and the state of Kansas is necessary to maintain accountability measures. All students and staff are required to maintain a high level of integrity in the administration and completion of student assessments.

Reporting Test Results

The superintendent shall report annually in writing to the board the results of the district's academic achievement testing program. State required test results shall be disaggregated as required by current regulation and shall be reported annually to the board, district patrons and the State Board of Education.

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IIA Performance-Based Credits IIA

A student may earn credits towards high school graduation by demonstrating mastery of the course outcomes through a performance instrument. The standards for designing and passing the performance instrument shall be set sufficiently high to ensure credits earned by such means shall be equivalent to those offered in the framework of the Carnegie unit.

A written request to "test out" of a class must be submitted prior to the beginning of each semester/year. A student may not request to "test out" of a class in which he or she is currently enrolled or has been enrolled.

The request is to be evaluated within 30 school days by a review committee composed of: a building administrator, a school counselor, a faculty member appointed by the principal and the students' parent(s) or guardian(s).

If the request is approved, the course instructor will have 30 school days to design a performance instrument that reflects mastery of all course outcomes. Commercially available instruments may be used if they adequately cover course objectives.

The student has 10 school days in which those designated tasks developed by the teacher and approved by the administration must be performed. The principal, in consultation with the instructor, will determine the setting and the timelines for the administration of the instrument, as well as the criteria for successful completion of those tasks.

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Credit for such classes shall be awarded only on a pass/fail basis. Students will be allowed only one opportunity to "test out" of any particular class. It will not be the responsibility of the school or the instructor to provide instructional and/or review time for the student. However, the outcomes, as noted in the district curriculum guide, and class syllabus will be made available.

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IIBF **Acceptable Use Guidelines** (See IIBG, IIBGA, IIBGC) **IIBF**

Purpose - The district provides computer network and internet access for its students and employees. This service allows employees and students to share information, learn new concepts, research diverse subjects, and create and maintain school-based websites. The district has adopted the following Acceptable Use Guidelines to govern the conduct of those who elect to access the computer network or district Internet.

Acceptable Use Guidelines - Users shall adhere to the following guidelines of acceptable use:

- All use of the Internet will be in support of educational activities.
- Users will report misuse and breaches of network security.
- Users shall not access, delete, copy, modify, nor forge other users' e-mails, files, or data.
- Users shall not use other users' passwords nor disclose their password to others.
- Users shall not pursue unauthorized access, disruptive activities, nor other actions commonly referred to as "hacking," internally or externally to the district.
- Users shall not disclose confidential information about themselves or others.
- User shall not utilize unlicensed software.
- Users shall not access or permit access to pornography, obscene depictions, or other materials harmful to minors.

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- Students shall not disable or attempt to disable Internet filtering software.

Prohibitions - Although the district reserves the right to determine what use of the district network is appropriate, the following actions are specifically prohibited:

- Transferring copyrighted materials to or from any district network without the express consent of the owner of the copyright.
- Use of the network for creation, dissemination, or viewing of defamatory, factually inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, harassing, or other material prohibited by law or district policy.
- Dissemination of personnel or student information via the network when such information is protected by law, including the Family and Educational Rights Act or Student Data Privacy Act.
- Utilization of the network to disseminate non-work-related material.
- Utilization of the network as a means for advertising or solicitation.

Monitoring - The school district reserves the right to monitor, without prior notice, any and all usage of the computer network and district Internet access, including, but not by way of limitation, e-mail transmissions and receptions. Any information gathered during monitoring may be copied, reviewed, and stored. All such information files shall be and remain the property of the

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school district, and no user shall have any expectation of privacy regarding his/her use of the computer network or the district Internet.

Internet Safety - In compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and the Kansas Children's Internet Protection Act, the school district will implement filtering and or blocking software to restrict access to Internet sites containing child pornography, obscene depictions, or other materials harmful to minors. The school district, however, cannot and does not guarantee the effectiveness of filtering software. Any student who connects to such a site must immediately disconnect from the site and notify a teacher. An employee who accidentally connects to such a site must immediately disconnect from the site and notify a supervisor. If a user sees another user accessing inappropriate sites, he or she should notify a teacher or supervisor immediately. The school district administration reserves the right to prohibit access to any network or Internet it deems inappropriate or harmful. The school district shall instruct students regarding appropriate online behavior including cyberbullying.

Penalties for Improper Use - Access to the network and Internet is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in the restriction or cancellation of the access. The district has the right to make the determination of what constitutes inappropriate use and use as an educational tool. Inappropriate use may lead to any disciplinary and/or legal action, up to and including suspension and/or expulsion of district students and suspension and/or termination of employees. Law enforcement shall be notified of inappropriate

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use which may constitute a violation of Federal or state law, and such use may result in criminal prosecution.

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IIBG Computer and Device Use (See ECH, JCDA and KBA) IIBG

Use of District Computers and Devices/Privacy Rights - District issued computer systems and electronic devices (including, but not limited to, Smartboards, iPads, iTouches, iPhones, eReaders, and eBooks) are for educational and professional use only. All information created by staff or stored thereon shall be considered district property and shall be subject to unannounced monitoring by district administrators. Unauthorized access to and/or unauthorized use of the district server or security system (including, but not limited to, surveillance footage) is also prohibited. The district retains the right to discipline any student, up to and including expulsion, and any employee, up to and including termination, for violation of this policy.

Copyright - Software acquired by staff, using either district or personal funds, and installed on district computers or electronic devices must comply with copyright laws. Proof of purchase (copy or original) for software must be filed in the district office.

Installation - No software, including freeware and shareware, or other applications may be installed on any district computer or electronic device until cleared by the network administrator. The administrator will verify the compatibility of the software or application with existing software, hardware, and applications and prescribe installation and de-installation procedures. Program files must have the superintendent's approval to be installed on any district server or computer.

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Hardware - Staff shall not install unapproved hardware on district computers or make changes to software settings that support district hardware.

Audits - The administration may conduct periodic audits of software and applications installed on district equipment to verify legitimate use.

E-mail Privacy Rights - Employees and/or students shall have no expectation of privacy when using district e-mail or other official communication systems. Any e-mail or computer application or information in district computers, computer systems, or electronic devices is subject to monitoring by the administration.

Ownership of Employee Computer and Device Materials - Computer materials, devices, software, or applications created as part of any assigned district responsibility or classroom activity undertaken on school time shall be the property of the board.

Lost, Stolen, or Damaged Computers and/or Equipment - Students and staff members shall be responsible for reimbursing the district for replacement of or repair to district issued computers or electronic devices which are lost, stolen, or damaged while in the students' or staff members' possession.

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Staff Handbook

Employees shall have no expectation of privacy when using district e-mail or other official communication systems. E-mail messages shall be used only to conduct approved and official district business. All employees must use appropriate language in all messages. Employees are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner and to use the system according to these guidelines or other guidelines published by the administration.

Any e-mail or computer application or information in district computers or computer systems is subject to monitoring by the administration. The district retains the right to duplicate any information in the system or on any hard drive. Employees who violate district computer policies are subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Student Handbook

Students shall have no expectation of privacy when using district e-mail or computer systems. E-mail messages shall be used only for approved educational purposes. Students must use appropriate language in all messages. Students are expected to use the system following guidelines approved by teachers or the administration.

Any e-mail or computer application or information in district computers or computer systems is subject to monitoring by the staff and/or administration. The school retains the right to duplicate any information created by students in a computer system or on any individual computer. Students who violate these rules, or any other classroom rules relating to computer use are subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension from school.

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IIBGA Children's Internet Protection Act IIBGA

The district shall implement and enforce an internet safety plan meeting the requirements of both the federal and the Kansas Children's Internet Protection Acts (CIPA). The superintendent shall develop a plan to implement the Children's Internet Protection Acts.

Such plan shall include technology protection measures and such other measures as deemed appropriate to address the following issues:

(1) Access by minors to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web,

(2) The safety and security of minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications,

(3) Unauthorized access, including so-called "hacking," and other unlawful activities by minors online;

(4) Unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal information regarding minors; and

(5) Measures designed to restrict minors' access to materials that may be harmful to them.

For the purposes of this policy, "minor" shall be defined to mean any student who is under 18 years of age. The board charges the superintendent to develop the CIPA implementing plan so that all of the protections provided by this policy and the corresponding plan may be afforded to all district students, regardless of their age.

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If the district is providing public access to any computer, the CIPA plan shall also implement and enforce technology protection measures to ensure no minor has access to visual depictions that are child pornography, harmful to minors, or obscene. This plan shall be on file with the board clerk and in each school office with Internet access, and copies shall be made available upon request. The superintendent shall ensure compliance with CIPA by completing Federal Communication Commission forms as required.

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IIBGA Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) Safety Plan

Goals:

It is the policy of USD 377 to take the following technology protection or other specified measures in order to better protect our district students from harmful online and electronically transmitted content:

- install blocks or Internet filters to the district network in order to limit access by both minors and adults to child pornography and visual depictions or materials that are obscene, inappropriate, or harmful to minors and/or the transmission thereof;
- monitor the online activities of students while at school, at school sponsored activities, or while utilizing the district's network, computer system, computers, e-mail system, or electronic devices having access to the Internet;
- address issues related to the safety of students when using e-mail, chat rooms, and other electronic communication;
- educate students about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms as well as on cyberbullying awareness and response;
- hinder unauthorized access (hacking) and other unlawful on-line activities by students; and
- prevent unauthorized disclosure, use, or dissemination of personal information regarding minors, which shall include, but may not be limited to, personally identifiable information contained in student records; and
- comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act.

Access to Inappropriate Material

To the extent practicable, technology protection measures or Internet filters shall be used to block or filter the Internet or other forms of electronic devices from accessing child pornography as well as obscene, inappropriate, or harmful material given the age and maturity levels of district students. It is the district's goal to implement and enforce technology protection measures under this plan in such a way as to ensure no minor has access to visual depictions that are child pornography, harmful to minors, or obscene.

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IIBGA Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) Safety Plan

Subject to administrative approval, technology protection measures may be minimized only for bonafide research or other lawful purposes that are closely monitored by district staff.

Inappropriate Network Usage - To the extent practicable, steps shall be taken to promote the safety and security of users of the district's online computer network when using electronic mail, chat rooms, instant messaging, and other /forms of direct electronic communications.

Specifically, in accordance with CIPA, measures to prevent inappropriate network usage shall include frequent monitoring of the District's network, computer systems, and equipment to detect any unauthorized access to prohibited materials as described earlier in this plan, hacking, and other unlawful activities by students or staff members. Such monitoring shall also strive to detect unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personally identifiable information regarding students.

Education, Supervision and Monitoring - It shall be the responsibility of all members of the District's staff to educate, supervise, and monitor appropriate usage of online computer network access to the internet in accordance with this policy and CIPA. If, during the course of such monitoring, a student or staff member discovers a violation of this policy, the student or staff member shall make a report as follows:

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IIBGA Children's Internet Protection Plan

1) Students shall report suspected violation of this policy to any classroom teacher.

2) Staff members shall report suspected violations of this policy to their immediate supervisor when possible.

Disciplinary Measures - The district retains the right to discipline any student, up to and including expulsion, and any employee, up to and including termination, for violation of this policy.

Adoption

This Children's Internet Protection Act Safety Plan was adopted by the Board of USD 377 at a public meeting, following normal public notice and a hearing, on 08/27/2007.

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IIBGB On-Line Learning Opportunities IIBGB

Application

Students may apply for permission to enroll in an on-line course for credit. Applications for the next academic year shall be submitted to the principal no later than May 15. The student and the student's parents shall be informed of the administrator's decision in writing no later than June 1.

Students may not enroll in an on-line course as an alternative to any course offered by the high school, except as an attempt to earn credit for a class already attempted but failed by the student.

Guidelines

The following guidelines shall be used by the administration:

1. Only approved courses shall be posted on student transcripts.
2. Approval of any course shall be based upon the course content and rigor, its length and scope, its method of assessing knowledge acquired by the student, the qualifications of the instructor and other appropriate factors.
3. Enrollment in an on-line course will be allowed only if an appropriately certified staff member is available and willing to supervise the student's participation in the course.
4. Suspended or expelled students may also apply for permission to enroll in on-line course work.

Other Regulations or Guidelines

Approval by the administration shall also be based on Kansas State Department of Education regulations and/or guidelines in effect at the time the student request is made.

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IIBGC Staff Online Activities (See GAF, GBU, IIBG, IIBGA, KGA) **IIBGC**

Employees are encouraged to use district electronic mail and other district technology resources to promote student learning and communication with parents of students and education-related entities. If those resources are used, they shall be used for purposes directly related to work-related activities. Technology-based materials, activities, and communication tools shall be appropriate for and within the range of the knowledge, understanding, age, and maturity of students with whom they are used.

District employees, including, but not limited to, classroom teachers and extracurricular activity coaches and sponsors, may set up blogs and other social networking accounts using district technological resources and following district policy and guidelines to promote communications with students, parents, and the community concerning school-related activities and for the purpose of supplementing classroom instruction. Social networking sites and other online communication options offering instructional benefits may be used for the purpose of supplementing classroom instruction and to promote communications with students and parents concerning school-related activities.

In order for district employees and activity sponsors to utilize a social networking site for instructional, administrative, or other work-related communication purposes, they shall comply with the following:

1. They shall request prior permission from the superintendent or the superintendent's designee.

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2. If permission is granted, staff members will set up the site following any district guidelines developed by the superintendent and approved by the board. If the expenditure of district funds is required to complete the set-up or maintenance of the site, the requesting staff member shall present an itemized summary of such costs to the superintendent. Superintendent approval shall be required prior to the expenditure of district funds for such purpose.
3. Guidelines shall specify whether access to the site must be given to school/district administrators and technology staff.
4. If written parental consent is not otherwise granted through acceptable use policy forms provided by the district, staff shall notify parents of the site and obtain written permission for students to become "friends" of the site prior to the students being granted access. This permission shall be kept on file at the school as determined by the principal.
5. Once the site has been created, the sponsoring staff member is responsible for the following:
    a. Monitoring and managing the site to promote safe and acceptable use and compliance with district policies; and
    b. Observing confidentiality restrictions concerning release of personally identifiable student information under state and federal law.

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IIBGC Staff Online Activities **IIBGC-3**

Staff members are discouraged from creating personal social networking accounts to which they invite current or future students to be friends. Employees taking such action do so at their own risk. All employees shall be subject to disciplinary action if their conduct relating to use of technology or online resources violates this policy or other applicable board policy, statutory, or regulatory provisions governing employee conduct or the protection of student record information; or if it impairs the staff member's job performance or effectiveness in the work setting. District staff shall endeavor to protect the health, safety, and emotional well-being of students and confidentiality of student record information both in the school setting and in their online actions. Conduct in violation of this policy, including, but not limited to, conduct relating to the use of technology, social networking, or online resources, may form the basis for disciplinary action up to and including termination from employment.

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IJ Evaluation of Instructional Program IJ

(See IC, ICAA, ID, and II)

The superintendent may develop guidelines to evaluate the instructional program. This evaluation shall be part of the district's school improvement efforts.

The superintendent may establish special curriculum committees to study the district's instructional program on a regular schedule. The superintendent may require reports from these committees which shall include the committee's recommendations for improvement, modification, or elimination of any part of the instructional program. The superintendent may submit a comprehensive report from the committees to the board.

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IKA **Financial Literacy** (See ID) **IKA**

The board supports the goal of providing district students with sufficient knowledge of economic systems to make informed, financial choices. In furtherance of this goal, the board directs the superintendent to develop and implement a plan to incorporate outcome-based personal financial literacy education into the district's instructional program.

The superintendent shall document district efforts to provide financial literacy education opportunities for district students and shall provide, upon request, feedback or information to the Kansas State Department of Education on such efforts.

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IKB Controversial Issues (See IAA) IKB

When a controversial subject arises in the classroom, teachers may use the opportunity to teach about the controversy.

Teachers shall ensure that various positions concerning any controversial subject are presented and that students have the opportunity to freely discuss the topic.

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Opt-Out Procedure and Form - Parents or guardians (or a student over eighteen years of age) who does not want the student involved in all or some portion of the district's Human Sexuality and AIDS education classes shall be provided a written copy of the goals and objectives for the student's appropriate Human Sexuality and AIDS class. Following review of the curriculum goals on file at the board of education office, the parent or guardian must complete the district opt-out form and state the portion(s) of the curriculum in which the student is not to be involved.

Opt-Out Form - Parents or guardians (or students eighteen years of age or older) may obtain the opt-out request form from the principal, completing and signing the form and returning the form to the principal. The signed form will be kept on file in the principal's office.

The building principal shall receive a copy of the signed form so the named student shall be excused from all or a portion of the Human Sexuality and AIDS classes. Arrangements shall also be made for class reassignment of the student during the opt-out period.

Annual Request Required - Opt-out requests shall be required annually and are valid only for the school year in which they are submitted.

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IKCA

HUMAN SEXUALITY AND AIDS EDUCATION

OPT OUT FORM

I, _____, parent/guardian of _____, request that my child be removed from those portions of the Human Sexuality/AIDS instruction noted below:

_____

_____

_____

_____

I have had the opportunity to review the curriculum goals and objectives or have had the opportunity to have them explained to me by a school official.

_____ _____

Date Signature of Parent/Guardian

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IKD Religion in Curricular or School Sponsored Activities IKD

No religious belief or non-belief shall be promoted or disparaged by the district or its employees. Students and staff should be tolerant of each other's religious views. Students and staff members may be excused from participating in practices contrary to their religious beliefs unless there are clear issues of overriding concern which prevent it.

Teaching About Religion

Teachers may teach about religion, religious literature and history but are prohibited from promoting, expounding, criticizing or ridiculing a religion. Religious texts may be used to teach about religion, but the use of religious texts is prohibited if used to promote a particular religious doctrine.

Religion in the Curriculum and School Activities

In compliance with these rules, religious themes may be presented in the curriculum and as part of school activities.

Religious Symbols in the Classroom

Temporary display of religious symbols is permitted as part of the curriculum.

Religious Holidays (See AEA)

Holidays which have a religious and a secular basis may be observed.

Graduation and Other Ceremonies

School ceremonies shall be secular in nature.

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Religion in the Curriculum and School Activities

Music, art, literature and drama having a religious theme or basis are permitted as part of the curriculum or as part of a school activity if they are presented in a balanced and objective manner and are a traditional part of the cultural and religious tradition of a particular holiday or field of study. The emphasis on religious themes in the arts, literature and history should be only as extensive as necessary for a balanced and thorough study of these areas. These studies should never foster any particular religious tenets or demean any religious beliefs or non-beliefs.

Religious Symbols in the Classroom

The temporary use of religious symbols such as a cross, menorah, crescent, Star of David, creche, symbols of native American religions or other symbols that are a part of a religious holiday are permitted as a teaching aid if they are displayed as an example of a holiday's cultural and religious heritage.

Religious Holidays (See AEA)

School vacations shall have secular designations, e.g., Winter Vacation, Spring Break.

Graduation and Other Ceremonies

The district seeks to maintain traditions significant to the community. While recognizing the significance of tradition, the board requires that graduation exercises and dedication ceremonies be secular in nature. Because the baccalaureate service is traditionally religious in nature, it should be sponsored by agencies separate from the district. Inspirational

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addresses which do not promote religion may be permitted at these ceremonies.

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IKDA **Religious Objections to Activities** **IKDA**

A parent or guardian (or a student eighteen years of age or older) may request that the student be excused from participating in activities for religious reasons. The parent, guardian, or adult student must complete the district opt-out form for religious objections, stating the specific activity, the portion of the curriculum in which the activity exists, and the reasons for the request. The request may be granted, or denied, or partially granted and partially denied.

This policy shall not be interpreted to allow parents to prevent the dissemination of information which parents find religiously objectionable. Rather, this policy only extends to actual participation by their child in an activity, the performance of which is contrary to the child's religious teachings.

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IKDA-R **Religious Objections to Activities** **IKDA-R**

A parent or guardian seeking to opt-out their child from activities contrary to the child's religious teachings must complete the district's Activity Participation Opt-Out Form regarding religious objections which is available in the board office. Parents desiring to opt-out their children from activities due to religious reasons must return the completed and signed form to the principal. The form must be submitted within a reasonable amount of time prior to the scheduled activity in order to allow time for the principal to consider the request. The completed form shall be kept on file with the clerk and the superintendent shall receive a copy.

The principal shall review the request and determine whether the request should be granted or denied. The principal shall notify the parents of the decision within a reasonable amount of time after the request is submitted. If the parents are dissatisfied with the principal's decision, they may appeal, in writing, to the superintendent.

If the opt-out request is granted, students who opt-out of activities for religious reasons may still be required to view the activity, to learn the subject matter of the activity, or to discuss the activity. The student may be reassigned during the activity or given alternative class assignments.

Opt-out requests must be submitted annually and are valid only for the school year in which they are submitted.

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Each building principal may schedule assemblies as needed.

Each building principal shall develop a behavior code for students attending school assemblies.

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IKI **Lesson Plans** **IKI**

Each teacher shall develop, maintain and follow lesson plans which conform to the approved curriculum, the district's educational goals and the expected student learning outcomes. Principals shall establish methods to regularly review teacher lesson plans.

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With the prior approval of the principal, animals or plants may be brought to school for instructional purposes.

If someone is injured by an animal or comes into contact with a toxic plant, the incident shall be immediately reported to the administration by the supervising teacher. The principal shall notify the appropriate persons.

Service Animals in the Schools

Service animals may be permitted in the schools and on school property in accordance with board-approved guidelines and may be used by employees, patrons, and students. In order for the district to accommodate the health and safety of our students and staff while maintaining our educational services, programs, and activities, employees and students are encouraged to notify their building administrator prior to bringing a service animal to school for the first time. Patrons or individuals attending functions or having short term business on school property are not required to provide advance notice to school staff in order to be accompanied by a service animal on school property.

Access to school buildings will not be denied to a service animal as long as the animal is individually trained and required to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability. Such work or tasks must be directly related to the individual's disability. District staff shall not be responsible to provide care or control of a service animal, and any service animal which is out of control or is not housebroken may be excluded by district staff.

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This policy does not apply to animals provided by the school for instructional purposes or for therapy or comfort dogs.

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JA **Goals and Objectives** **JA**

These student policies are designed to prevent misunderstanding by students about their rights and responsibilities. The ideas and recommendations of students shall be considered when adopting policies, rules, and regulations governing the conduct of students and their rights and responsibilities.

All student handbooks shall be consistent with board policy, approved by the board, and adopted, by reference, as a part of these policies and regulations. (See BDC)

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JB Attendance Records JB

Daily attendance records shall be maintained for each student in each school. The primary responsibility for recording attendance shall be assigned to teachers using forms prescribed by the principal. A cumulative attendance record for each student shall also be maintained.

The superintendent shall include attendance data in an annual report to the board. Attendance problems shall be reported to the board as necessary.

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JBC **Enrollment** (See IIBGB, JBCA, JBCB, and JQKA) **JBC**

Resident Students

A "resident student" is any child who has attained the age of eligibility for school attendance and lives with a parent or a person acting as a parent who is a resident of the district. Children who are "homeless" as defined by Kansas law and who are located in the district will be admitted as resident students. For purposes of this policy, "parent" means the natural parents, adoptive parents, step-parents, and foster parents. For purposes of this policy, "person acting as a parent" means a guardian or conservator, a person liable by law to care for or support the child, a person who has actual care and control of the child and provides a major portion of support, or a person who has actual care and control of the child with written consent of a person who has legal custody of the child.

Non-resident Students

Non-resident students are those who do not meet the definition of a resident student. Although the district is not required to admit non-resident students, non-resident students may be admitted to the extent that staff, facilities, equipment, and supplies are available. Other criteria regarding students seeking non-resident student admittance may be considered prior to acting on any annual non-resident student application as specified in this policy, and students residing outside of the state of Kansas may be denied enrollment or continued enrollment based on out-of-state residency.

Non-resident Student Continued Enrollment

Non-resident students admitted to the district shall be evaluated each spring by district administration on the following criteria: whether the student

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made academic progress; residence in the state of Kansas; regularity and punctuality of attendance; and disciplinary record, specifically whether the student complied with the student conduct code and avoided 1) major disciplinary problems and/or 2) a large number of referrals for minor disciplinary problems.

Students may be readmitted or denied admission for the next school year based on the results of these evaluations. However, if the student has a disability, the student's ability to meet these expectations shall be considered prior to denying continued enrollment in the district. Parents shall be informed of any administrative decision on non-resident student applications no later than _____.

Enrollment Restriction

Unless approved in advance by the board, no student, regardless of residency, who has been suspended or expelled from another school district will be admitted to the district until the period of such suspension or expulsion has expired.

Enrollment Procedures

The superintendent shall establish orderly procedures for enrolling all students, including pre-enrollment, changes in enrollment, normal enrollment times, and communication to parents and to the public.

Part-Time Students

Part-time students may enroll with the (board's/administration's) permission if they complete all paperwork in a timely fashion and are in

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attendance no later than _____. (Insert date) Part-time students may be admitted only to the extent that staff, facilities, equipment, and supplies are available and the students follow the district's student conduct policies and rules.

Identification of Students

All students enrolling in the district for the first time shall provide required proof of identity. Students enrolling in kindergarten or first grade shall provide a certified copy of their birth certificate, a certified copy of the court order placing the child in the custody of the Secretary of the Department for Children and Families, or other documentation which the board determines to be satisfactory. Students enrolling in grades 2-12 shall provide a certified transcript, similar pupil records or data, or other documentary evidence the board deems satisfactory.

The above requirements are not to serve as barriers to immediate enrollment of students designated as homeless or foster children as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the McKinney-Vento Act as amended by ESSA. The district shall work with the Department for Children and Families, the school last attended, or other relevant agencies to obtain necessary enrollment documentation.

If proper proof of identity is not provided within 30 days of enrolling, the superintendent shall notify local law enforcement officials as required by law and shall not notify any person claiming custody of the child.

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Enrollment Information

The enrollment documentation shall include a student's permanent record card with a student's legal name as it appears on the birth certificate or as changed by a court order and the name, address, and telephone number of the lawful custodian. The records shall also provide proper proof of identity.

Assignment to a School Building, Grade Level, or Classes

Unless otherwise provided herein, the superintendent shall assign students to the appropriate building. Any student desiring to attend a school outside the attendance area in which the student resides may do so only with the prior written permission of the superintendent.

If required by law, students placed in foster care or students who are homeless may be educated in their "school of origin" instead of the building corresponding to the assigned attendance area. (For definition of "school of origin", see regulations for JBCA and JBCB.)

Assignment to a particular grade level or particular classes shall be determined by the building principal based on the educational abilities of the student. If the parents disagree, the principal's decision may be appealed to the superintendent. If the parents are still dissatisfied with the assignment, they may appeal in writing to the board.

Transferring Credit

In {middle school/junior high} and high school, full faith and credit shall be given to units earned in other accredited schools at the time the student enrolls in the district, unless the principal determines there is valid

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reason for not doing so. For online credit approval procedures after enrollment, see board policy IIBGB.

Transfers from Non-Accredited Schools

Students transferring from non-accredited schools will be placed by the principal. Initial placement will be made by the principal after consultation with parents or guardians and guidance personnel. Final placement shall be made by the principal based on the student's documented past educational experiences and performance on tests administered to determine grade level placement.

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JBCA **Homeless Students** (See EDAA and JBC) **JBCA**

The district, in accordance with state and federal law and the Kansas state plan will ensure that homeless children in the school district have access to a free and appropriate public education. Homeless students are individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. For the purposes of this policy, a student awaiting foster care placement shall not be considered homeless.

Coordinator

The board shall designate a homeless coordinator for the district.

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Homeless Student Regulations

Required by Federal and State Law

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Homeless students shall, by definition, include the following:

1. Children and youth who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals.
2. Children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designated for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.
3. Children and youth who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings.
4. Migratory children who meet one of the above-described circumstances.

Enrollment/Placement (See JBC)

The district, according to the child's or youth's best interest, shall either continue the child's or youth's education in the school of origin for the duration of homelessness in any case in which: 1) a family becomes homeless between academic years or during an academic year; and 2) for the remainder of the academic year, if the child or youth becomes permanently housed during an academic year; or enroll the child or youth in any public school that non-homeless students who live in the attendance area in which the child or youth is actually living are eligible to attend.

School Stability

In determining the best interest of the child or youth, the district homeless student liaison shall:

1) presume that keeping the child or youth in the school of origin is in the child's or youth's best interest, except when doing so is contrary to the

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request of the child's or youth's parent or guardian, or (in the case of an unaccompanied youth) the youth;

2) consider student-centered factors related to the child's or youth's best interest, including factors related to the impact of mobility on achievement, education, health, and safety of homeless children and youth, giving priority to the request of the child's or youth's parent or guardian or (in the case of an unaccompanied youth) the youth;

3) if, after conducting the best interest determination based on consideration of the presumption in clause (1) and the student-centered factors in clause (2), it is determined that it is not in the child's or youth's best interest to attend the school of origin or the school requested by the parent or guardian, or (in the case of an unaccompanied youth) the youth, provide the child's or youth's parent or guardian or the unaccompanied youth with a written explanation of the reasons for its determination, in a manner and form understandable to such parent, guardian, or unaccompanied youth, including information regarding the right to appeal such determination; and

4) in the case of an unaccompanied youth, ensure that the district homeless student liaison assists in placement or enrollment decisions under this subparagraph, gives priority to the views of such unaccompanied youth, and provides notice to such youth of the right to appeal.

Immediate Enrollment

The school selected shall immediately enroll the homeless child or youth, even if the child or youth:

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1) is unable to produce records normally required for enrollment, such as previous academic records, records of immunization and other required health records, proof of residency, or other documentation; or
2) has missed application or enrollment deadlines during any period of homelessness.

Relevant Academic Records

The enrolling school shall immediately contact the school last attended by the child or youth to obtain relevant academic and other records.

Relevant Health Records

If the child or youth needs to obtain immunizations or other required health records, the enrolling school shall immediately refer the parent or guardian of the child or youth, or (in the case of an unaccompanied youth) the youth, to the district homeless student liaison, who shall assist in obtaining necessary immunizations or screenings, or immunization or other required health records.

Records

Any record ordinarily kept by the school, including immunization or other required health records, academic records, birth certificates, guardianship records, and evaluations for special services or programs, regarding each homeless child or youth shall be maintained so that the records involved are available, in a timely fashion, when a child or youth enters a new school or school district and in a manner consistent with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. See policies JR through JRD.

Enrollment Disputes

If a dispute arises over eligibility, school selection, or enrollment in a school:

1) the child or youth shall be immediately enrolled in the school in which enrollment is sought (whether sought by the parent, guardian, or

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unaccompanied youth), pending final resolution of the dispute, including all available appeals;

2) the parent or guardian of the child or youth or (in the case of an unaccompanied youth) the youth shall be provided with a written explanation of any decisions related to school selection or enrollment made by the school, the local educational agency, or the State educational agency involved, including the rights of the parent, guardian, or unaccompanied youth to appeal such decisions; and

3) the parent, guardian, or unaccompanied youth shall be referred to the district homeless student liaison, who shall carry out the dispute resolution process as expeditiously as possible after receiving notice of the dispute.

Placement Choice

The choice regarding placement shall be made regardless of whether the child or youth lives with the homeless parents or has been temporarily placed elsewhere.

Privacy

Information about a homeless child's or youth's living situation shall be treated as a student education record, and shall not be deemed to be directory information, under policy JRB.

Contact Information

Nothing shall prohibit the district from requiring a parent or guardian of a homeless child or youth to submit contact information.

Definition

The term "school of origin" means the school that a child or youth attended when permanently housed or the school in which the child or youth was last enrolled, including a preschool.

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When the child or youth completes the final grade level served by the school of origin, the term "school of origin" shall include the designated receiving school at the next grade level for all feeder schools.

Comparable Services

Each homeless child or youth shall be provided services comparable to services offered to other students in the school selected, including:

1) Transportation services;
2) Educational services for which the child or youth meets the eligibility criteria, such as services provided under title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 or similar State or local programs, educational programs for children with disabilities, and educational programs for English learners;
3) Programs in career and technical education;
4) Programs for gifted and talented students; and
5) School nutrition programs.

Coordination

The district shall coordinate the provision of services under these regulations with the Department for Children and Families and other agencies or entities providing services to homeless children and youths and their families, including services and programs funded under the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5701 et seq.), and transportation, transfer of school records, and other interdistrict activities, with other local educational agencies.

Housing Assistance

If applicable, the district shall coordinate with state and local housing agencies responsible for developing the comprehensive housing affordability strategy to minimize educational disruption for children and youths who become homeless.

The coordination required shall be designed to:

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1) ensure that all homeless children and youths are promptly identified;
2) ensure that all homeless children and youths have access to, and are in reasonable proximity to, available education and related support services; and
3) raise the awareness of school personnel and service providers of the effects of short-term stays in a shelter and other challenges associated with homelessness.

Homeless Children and Youths With Disabilities

For children and youths who are both homeless and eligible for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.), the district shall coordinate the provision of services under these regulations with the provision of programs for children with disabilities served by the district and other involved local educational agencies.

District Homeless Student Liaison

The board designates the following individual to act as the district's homeless student liaison: (Name of Office) (Business Address) (Phone-Fax). The district shall inform school personnel, service providers, and advocates working with homeless families of the duties of this liaison.

The district homeless student liaison shall ensure:

1) homeless children and youths are identified by school personnel through outreach and coordination activities with other entities and agencies;
2) homeless children and youths are enrolled in, and have a full and equal opportunity to succeed in, district schools;
3) homeless families and homeless children and youths have access to and receive educational services for which such families, children, and youths are eligible, including services through Head Start programs (including Early Head Start programs) under the Head Start Act (42

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U.S.C. 9831 et seq.), early intervention services under part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1431 et seq.), and other preschool programs administered by the local educational agency;

4) homeless families and homeless children and youths receive referrals to health care services, dental services, mental health and substance abuse services, housing services, and other appropriate services;
5) the parents or guardians of homeless children and youths are informed of the educational and related opportunities available to their children and are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children;
6) public notice of the educational rights of homeless children and youths is disseminated in locations frequented by parents or guardians of such children and youths, and unaccompanied youths, including schools, shelters, public libraries, and soup kitchens, in a manner and form understandable to the parents and guardians of homeless children and youths, and unaccompanied youths;
7) enrollment disputes are mediated in accordance with these regulations;
8) the parent or guardian of a homeless child or youth, and any unaccompanied youth, is fully informed of all transportation services, including transportation to the school of origin, and is assisted in accessing transportation to the school that is selected;
9) school personnel providing services under these regulations receive professional development and other support; and
10) unaccompanied youths:
    a. are enrolled in school;
    b. have opportunities to meet the same challenging state academic standards as Kansas establishes for other children and youth; and

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c. are informed of their status as independent students under federal law regarding student financial assistance for higher education acquisition and that the youths may obtain assistance from the district homeless student liaison to receive verification of such status for purposes of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

The liaison shall also work with the state coordinator for education of homeless children and youth to request and receive needed technical assistance and monitoring to ensure the district complies with federal and state law regarding homeless students. Similarly, the liaison will coordinate with the state coordinator in order to provide professional development opportunities for district personnel to aid them in identifying and meeting the needs of homeless children and youths and will respond to inquiries from parents, guardians, and homeless children and youths to ensure they are provided with the full protection of the law and services they are due.

Notice

The district shall inform school personnel, service providers, advocates working with homeless families, parents and guardians of homeless children and youths, and homeless children and youths of the duties of the district homeless student liaison, and publish annually updated contact information for the liaison on the district's website.

Local and State Coordination

The district homeless student liaison, as a part of assigned duties, shall coordinate and collaborate with state coordinators, the community, and school personnel responsible for the provision of education and related services to homeless children and youths. Such coordination shall include collecting and providing to the state coordinator the reliable, valid, and comprehensive data.

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Homeless Status

The district homeless student liaison may affirm, without further agency action by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, that a child or youth who is eligible for and participating in a program provided by the district, or the immediate family of such a child or youth, who meets the eligibility requirements, is eligible for such program or service.

Dispute Resolution Process

A complaint regarding the placement or education of a homeless child or youth shall first be presented orally and informally to the district's homeless student liaison. If the complaint is not promptly resolved, the complainant may present a formal written complaint (grievance) to the homeless student liaison. The written complaint must include the following information: date of filing, description of concerns, the name of the person or persons involved, and a recapitulation of the action taken during the informal charge stage. Within five (5) working days after receiving the complaint, the liaison shall state a decision in writing to the complainant, with supporting evidence and reasons. In addition, the liaison will inform the superintendent of the formal complaint and the disposition.

Transportation (See EDAA, JBC and JGG)

If it is in the best interest of the homeless child or youth to attend the school of origin, transportation to and from that school will be provided at the request of the parent or guardian or, in the case of an unaccompanied youth, the homeless coordinator. If the student's temporary housing is outside the attendance area of the school of origin, then the district will work with the school of origin to agree on a method to apportion the responsibility and costs for transporting the child. If an agreement cannot be reached, the costs will be shared equally.

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USD 377 Complaint Form

PROGRAMS FOR HOMELESS STUDENTS

(Assignment to a School Other than School of Origin/School Requested by the Parent)

After reviewing the situation, it would be in the best interest of your child or youth to be educated at _____.

Explanation of decision: _____

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If you so choose, you may appeal this decision in the following manner:

You may verbally and informally state your complaint to the district's homeless student liaison. If the complaint is not promptly resolved, you may complain in writing to the district homeless student liaison. You must include the following information: date of filing, description of the complaint, the name of the person or persons involved and an explanation of the action taken during the informal charge stage. Within five (5) working days after receiving the complaint, the liaison will provide you a written decision, with supporting evidence and reasons. In addition, the liaison will inform the superintendent of the formal complaint and the result.

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JBCB **Foster Care Students** (See EDAA, JBC, and JBCA) **JBCB**

The district, in accordance with state and federal law and the Kansas state plan, will ensure that students placed in foster care within the school district have access to a public education in a stable educational environment. For the purposes of this policy and its applicable regulations, "foster care" means 24-hour substitute care for children placed away from their parents and for whom a child welfare agency has placement and care duties.

Point of Contact

The board shall designate an employee to serve as a point of contact for child welfare agencies on behalf of the district.

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Foster Care Student Regulations

To Aid In Implementation of Federal Law

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The Every Student Succeeds Act ("ESSA") addresses additional protections for students in foster care and establishes a system of joint responsibility for school districts, the Kansas State Department of Education ("KSDE"), and the Kansas Department for Children and Families ("DCF") to ensure the educational stability of students in foster care.

For the purposes of these regulations, "foster care" means 24-hour substitute care for children placed away from their parents and for whom a child welfare agency has placement and care duties. This includes, but is not limited to, placements in foster family homes, foster homes of relatives, group homes, emergency shelters, residential facilities, child-care institutions, and pre-adoptive homes.

Transportation of Students in Foster Care

ESSA requires each Kansas school district to collaborate with child welfare agencies, such as DCF and tribal child welfare agencies, to develop and implement clear, written procedures for how transportation to maintain a student in foster care in his or her school of origin (when in the student's best interest) will be provided, arranged, and funded. The procedures must ensure that the transportation will be provided promptly, in a cost-effective manner, and in accordance with federal law. Also, they must address how additional costs will be absorbed. Therefore, if there are any additional costs incurred to maintain a foster care student in his or her school of origin, the district will provide the transportation if:

1. DCF agrees to reimburse the district for the additional costs;
2. The district agrees to pay the additional costs; or

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3. DCF and the district split the additional costs.

Upon request, the district will provide an assurance to KSDE that the district has transportation procedures meeting the above requirements.

Additional Costs

"Additional costs" reflect the difference between what the district would spend to transport a student to the assigned school and the cost of transporting a student in foster care to his or her school of origin. Title I, Part A funds may be used to pay for additional transportation costs in Title I districts.

School of Origin

The "school of origin" is the school in which a student is enrolled at the time of placement in foster care or of a change in placement. A student in foster care is entitled to remain enrolled in his or her school of origin unless it is determined not to be in the student's best interest to stay at that school.

Best-Interest Determination

DCF will make the final decision regarding whether it is in a student's best interest to remain in the school of origin. District staff may be asked to provide information on the "educational best interest" of the student to support educational decision-making based on what is best for the student academically. For students receiving special education and related services under the Individual with Disabilities Education Act or for students on Section 504 accommodation plans, it is recommended that relevant team members should be consulted in the best interest determination process, as the district will still be required to ensure compliance with Least Restrictive Environment requirements.

The United States Department of Education has provided a list of factors that may be considered in determining the student's educational best interest, which include appropriateness of the current setting, proximity of placement to school attendance centers, the child's preference, the parents' preference, the child's

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attachment to the school of origin, where siblings will be placed, and the availability of needed services. The "best-interest determination" may not be made based on transportation costs or funding.

District Foster Care Liaison

The "district foster care liaison" is a district employee who facilitates the enrollment in or transfer to a public school of a student in the district who is a ward of the state. The district's foster care liaison is considered the designated point of contact for collaboration with DCF on transportation procedures.

The District has designated the following staff person as the District foster care liaison:

Name: Andrew Gaddis

Position: Superintendent of Schools

E-mail: gaddis.andrew@usd377.org

Address: 306 Main Street, Effingham, KS 66023

Telephone: (913) 833-5050

Child Welfare Agency

In Kansas, DCF is the regular child welfare agency for collaboration on transportation procedures. The Child Protective Services ("CPS") division of DCF will typically be the division that works with the district on issues related to students in foster care, however, tribal child welfare agencies may also be involved with this process. Therefore, whenever DCF is used in these regulations, it may be deemed to apply to any child welfare agency based on the circumstances.

Child Welfare Contact

The district, if receiving Title I, Part A funds, must collaborate on transportation procedures with the DCF-designated contact if DCF notifies the district in writing that DCF has designated an employee to serve as a point of contact for the district. Adopted: USD 377 BOE – 07/20/2017

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General Transportation Procedures (OPTIONAL)

To ensure that transportation is provided promptly when it is determined to be in the best interest of a student in foster care to remain in the school of origin, the district has developed the following transportation procedures. These procedures will guide the development of an individual transportation plan for a student needing transportation to his or her school of origin.

Funding Strategies

The district and DCF have identified the following funding options that may be implemented if additional costs to transport a student in foster care to the school of origin are determined:

(Adjust the items below to include those agreed upon by the district and DCF. Consider any cost-sharing strategies that the district has used successfully with neighboring districts in transporting students who are homeless to and from their school of origin or any other programs where transportation costs are shared.)

1. *Cost sharing between the district and DCF through use of a specific transportation strategy in which each party is responsible for a segment of the transportation;*
2. *Offset of costs by DCF, such as using Title IV-E funds paid to a foster parent or caregiver for transportation;*
3. *Cost sharing between the school district of attendance and the school district where the student is living;*
4. *Use of the district's Title I funds;*
5. *Use of Medicaid reimbursements if the IEP for a student receiving special education services will include transportation as a related service;*
6. *Use of any available grant funds; and*
7. *[Other].*

Transportation Strategies

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The following transportation strategies may be considered in achieving transportation to a student's school of origin:

(Adjust the items below to include those agreed upon by the district and DCF. Consider any strategies that have been used successfully to transport students who are homeless to and from their school of origin and effective practices currently used to share transportation costs with neighboring districts, community partners, or others.)

1. *Arranging transportation by the foster parent or caregiver to the school of origin or to a bus stop on a route to the school of origin, such as when the foster parent lives within a certain distance from the school of origin;*
2. *Arranging transportation by a relative or another adult approved by DCF with whom the student has a relationship and whose existing commute aligns with the student's transportation need to the school of origin or a bus stop on a route to the school of origin;*
3. *Maximizing the existing district transportation system by exploring ways the student can be transported to an existing bus stop that serves the school of origin (options to transport the student to an existing bus stop could occur through use of public transportation with a bus pass or transportation voucher, or transportation by the foster parent or caregiver, a relative, or another adult with whom the student has a relationship);*
4. *Using existing intradistrict transportation options that allow students to be transported within the district, such as routes for students who are homeless, students attending magnet programs, or students receiving special education services (this option may require the addition of a bus stop on an existing route or that an existing route be rerouted to accommodate the transportation needs);*

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5. *Coordinating with the district in which the student is living to provide transportation to the district boundaries or an existing bus stop within the district;*

6. *Evaluating whether an IEP for a student receiving special education services will include transportation to the student's special education program at the school of origin as a related service;*

7. *Contracting with a private transportation company, such as a taxi service, for the student's transportation needs;*

8. *Using public transportation with a bus pass or transportation voucher;*

9. *Adding a district transportation route; or*

10. *[Other].*

Individual Transportation Plan

When DCF determines that the best interest of a student in foster care is to remain in the school of origin, the district foster care liaison will take steps to promptly collaborate with relevant DCF staff on how transportation to the school of origin will be provided, arranged, and funded.

When possible, and to allow for adequate consideration of the student's needs, individual transportation planning will begin in advance of placement changes and will occur in coordination with the consultation on the student's educational best interest.

The district foster care liaison will convene a meeting to establish an individualized transportation plan for the student. The liaison will attempt to include the student's DCF education decision-maker and others who may be involved in education decision-making for the student, such as the student's caseworker, foster parent or caregiver, and the court-appointed special advocate (CASA) liaison. The District foster care liaison may also involve other district staff, as appropriate. The liaison will involve the district transportation director if the individual transportation plan will involve adjustments to existing bus routes.

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If necessary, the district foster care liaison will identify a short-term transportation strategy that may be used until the final transportation plan is completed so that the student can remain at the school of origin without interruption.

In evaluating transportation options to the school of origin, participants will prioritize student safety, cost effectiveness, reliability, and time and distance of the commute.

Determining Additional Costs

To identify whether additional costs will be incurred in an individual transportation plan to transport the student to the school of origin, the foster care liaison will consult with the district transportation director to calculate the cost of transporting the student to the school that the student would otherwise attend, which will be used as a comparison. In accordance with the federal Non-Regulatory Guidance, if the district is able to provide transportation through an established bus route, there are no additional costs. If the district will reroute buses or provide transportation through a private vehicle or transportation company, the district may consider as additional costs the cost of rerouting buses or the difference between the special transportation costs and the usual transportation costs.

Administrative costs, such as additional staff time to coordinate transportation, will also be considered in determining whether there are additional costs to transport the student in foster care to the school of origin.

Plan Elements

The individual transportation plan may include:

1. *A daily transportation strategy;*
2. *One or more backup transportation strategies;*
3. *Transportation strategies to allow participation in after-school and extracurricular activities;*
4. *A description of the funding strategy that will be used if additional costs to transport the student to the school of origin are identified;*

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5. *Identification of who is responsible for each aspect of the transportation strategy;*
6. *Designation of an adult to accompany younger students, if necessary, such as when public transportation is used;*
7. *For transportation strategies with multiple segments, sign off procedures to ensure that the student safely and successfully completes each segment;*
8. *A communication protocol between the District and DCF when transportation for a student is no longer needed; and*
9. *A regular review process for adjusting transportation strategies when circumstances change.*

The final individual transportation plan will require a signature by the foster care liaison and a district official who has authority to approve any additional expenditure. The DCF education decision-maker and the foster parent or caregiver, if different from the education decision-maker, will also be asked to sign the plan.

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JBD **Absences and Excuses** (See AEB, IHEA, JBE and JDD) **JBD**

When a student is absent from school, an attempt shall be made to contact the parent or guardian to determine the reason for the absence. The principal has been designated to determine the acceptability and validity of excuses presented by the parent(s) or the student.

Procedures for notifying parents on the day of a student's absence shall be published in the student handbook.

Excused/Unexcused Absences

The definition of "excused absence" includes the following:

- Personal illness;
- Health-related treatment, examination, or recuperation;
- Serious illness or death of a member of the family;
- Obligatory religious observances;
- Participation in a district-approved or school sponsored activity or course;
- Absences prearranged by parents and approved by the principal; and
- Students of active duty military personnel may have additional excused absences at the discretion of the principal for visitations relative to leave or deployment.

All absences which do not fit into one of the above categories would be considered an unexcused absence. A student serving a period of suspension or expulsion from the district shall not be considered inexcusably absent.

Significant Part of a School Day

An absence of two or more hours in any school day shall be considered an absence for a significant part of the school day.

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Make-Up Work

It is the student's responsibility to obtain make-up assignments from teachers following an excused or unexcused absence.

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JBE Truancy (See AEB, IDCE, JBD, and JQ) JBE

Unless reporting would violate the terms of any memorandum of understanding between the district and the authority to which reports would be made. The building principal or assistant principal shall report students who are inexcusably absent from school to the appropriate authority.

Truancy is defined as any three consecutive unexcused absences, any five unexcused absences in a semester, or seven unexcused absences in a school year, whichever comes first. School year means the period from July 1 to June 30. Students who are absent without a valid excuse for a significant part of any school day shall be considered truant.

Prior to reporting to either the Department for Children and Families (if the student is under 13) or the county or district attorney (if the student is 13 or more years of age but less than 18 years of age), a letter shall be sent to the student's parent(s) or guardian notifying them that the student's failure to attend school without a valid excuse shall result in the student being reported truant.

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Waiver of Compulsory Attendance Requirements - Students 16 or 17 years of age may be exempt from compulsory attendance regulations if the parent(s) or person acting as parent attend(s) the counseling session required by law and signs the appropriate consent and waiver form; if the student earns a GED; or if the student is exempt from compulsory attendance requirements pursuant to a court order.

Involvement of Law Enforcement - Law enforcement officers may return truant children to the school where the child is enrolled, to the child's parent or guardian, or to another location designated by the board to address truancy issues.

Reporting to Parents - If a truant child is returned to school by a law enforcement official, the principal shall notify the parent or guardian.

Dual Enrollment Students - Eligible students who are enrolled in a board-approved dual enrollment program shall not be considered truant for the hours during the school day they attend classes at a Regent's university, community college, technical college, vocational educational school, or Washburn University.

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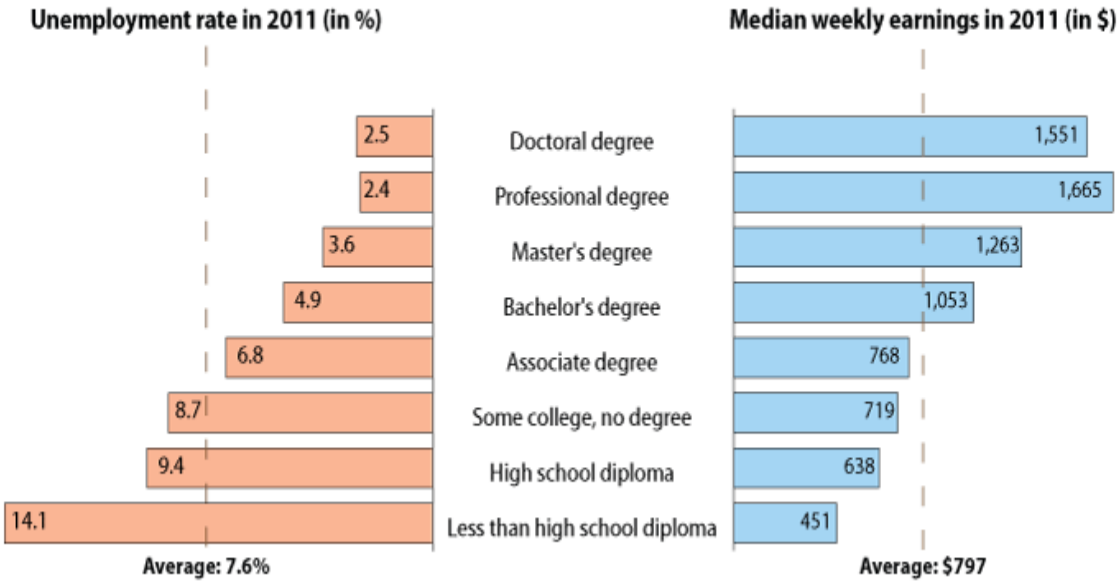
Education Pays



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PARENT CONSENT AND WAIVER FOR CHILD 16 OR OLDER TO BE EXEMPT FROM COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS.

I, (Name of Parent(s) or Person Acting As Parent), understand that pursuant to Kansas law, (Name of Student) is required to attend school until he/she receives a high school diploma or general educational development (GED) credential or reaches the age of 18, whichever occurs first.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 72-3120, as amended, Unified School District No. 377 encourages (Name of Student) to remain in school or to pursue an education alternative.

The academic skills listed below have not been achieved by (Name of Student):

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Based on (Source of Information) the difference in future earning power between a high school graduate and a high school drop out is _____.

Name of Student) is encouraged to attend one of the following area alternative education programs in order to aid Name of Student in obtaining a high school diploma, a general education development credential, or other certification of completion, such as a career technical education industry certification:

(List any programs that may be available. Contact information for accredited private schools, virtual schools, and virtual programs can be found at http://www.ksde.org/Agency/Division-of-Learning-Services/Career-Standards-and-Assessment-Services/CSAS-Home/Graduation-and-Schools-of-Choice/Adult-Diploma-Completion/Information-For-Alternative-and-Adult-Learners. The statutory language suggests an "alternative learning plan" could also include extended learning opportunities such as independent study, private instruction, performing groups, internships, community service, apprenticeships, and online coursework.)

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I (we), the undersigned, hereby give written consent to allow Name of Student, who is [16] [17] years of age, to be exempt from the Kansas compulsory attendance requirement and state we have attended the final counseling session conducted by USD No. ___ in which the above information was presented to us.

_____ _____

Signature of Student

Signature of Parent(s) or Person Acting as Parent

_____ _____

Date

Date

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JBH **Release of a Student During the School Day** **JBH**

Building principals shall not release a student during the school day except upon a written or verbal request from the student's lawful parent or person acting as a parent.

Before releasing a student during the school day, the building principal shall be responsible for verifying the identity of the person seeking release of the student.

If the principal is not satisfied with the identification provided by the person seeking release of a student, the student's release may be refused.

Students shall not be allowed to run personal errands for school employees off school premises during the school day.

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JCAB **Searches of Property** (See JCABB) **JCAB**

Principals are authorized to search property if there is reasonable suspicion that district policies, rules, or directives are being violated. In addition all lockers shall be subject to random searches without prior notice or reasonable suspicion. All searches by the principal shall be carried out in the presence of another adult witness.

Whenever the principal is mentioned in this policy, it shall be construed to include the superintendent "or designated representative."

Search of Lockers

Lockers in the district schools shall be under supervision of the principal. Students shall have no expectation of privacy in any school locker.

The combinations and/or keys to all locker locks shall be in the possession of the principal and stored in a place designed to guard against unauthorized access or use. The principal may search any locker at any time without notice. Students shall not place locks, other than those approved by the school, on any locker.

Searches of Property

Any person other than the principal who wishes to search a student's locker or property shall report to the principal before proceeding. In no event shall any person be permitted to search a student's locker or property without the

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principal's consent unless the person has a valid search warrant authorizing a search.

If a law enforcement officer desiring to search a student's locker or property has a search warrant, the principal shall permit the search which shall be made in the presence of the principal Prohibited items found during the search shall remain in the custody of either the building principal or the law enforcement officer. If any items are turned over to law enforcement officials the principal shall receive a receipt for the items.

Use of Trained Dogs in Conducting Sweeps

At the request of the principal or on a schedule agreed upon by the service provider and the principal, law enforcement officers or licensed private agencies contracting with the school for such service, may use trained dogs on school premises to identify student property which may contain illegal or illicit materials and to determine whether materials, such as drugs, weapons, or other materials which may threaten the general health, welfare, and safety of the students and/or staff are present in the district parking lot, hallways, lockers, classrooms, and/or locker rooms. Students will never be sniffed by the dogs used to conduct the sweeps.

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JCABB **Searches of Students** **JCABB**

Principals are authorized to search students if there is reasonable suspicion that district policies, rules or directives are being violated. Strip searches shall not be conducted by school authorities. All searches by the principal shall be carried out in the presence of another adult witness.

The student shall be told why a search is being conducted. The student shall be requested to empty items such as, but not limited to, pockets, purses, shoulder bags, book bags and briefcases. The principal shall attempt to call the student's parent/s and may call law enforcement. Items which the principal believes may be connected with illegal activity shall remain in the custody of the principal unless the items are turned over to law enforcement officials. If the student refuses to cooperate, the principal may take disciplinary action and/or seek assistance from law enforcement. (See JDD and JCAC)

If law enforcement assistance is present, further search of the student shall be with cooperation and assistance of law enforcement officials. The principal shall remain with the student and be present during any search of the student made by law enforcement officials on school property. The principal shall receive and file a receipt for items turned over to law enforcement officials.

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If the principal believes a student is in possession of an object which can jeopardize the health, welfare or safety of the student or others, the student shall be removed to a safe location. This determination may be based on any information received by the principal or any member of the faculty or staff.

Written documentation of each search shall be maintained by the principal. (Whenever the principal is mentioned in this rule, it shall be construed so as to include the superintendent "or designated representative.")

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JCAC Interrogation and Investigations JCAC

(See EBC, GAAD, JCABB, JCEC and JHCAA)

Building administrators, school security officers, and/or others designated by the superintendent may conduct investigations and question students about violation of school rules, the student conduct code, and/or law. Unless otherwise provided herein, such investigators shall not be required to contact the student's parent, guardian, or representative prior to questioning and may request law enforcement, school resource officer(s), and/or school security officer(s) for assistance in conducting the investigations.

If there is reason to believe a violation of a criminal law has been committed, the building administrator, the superintendent's designee, and/or school security officer with authorization of the superintendent or the superintendent's designee shall notify the appropriate law enforcement agency of criminal conduct as provided in law and/or board policy and may request further investigation of the alleged violation.

When a school resource officer or campus police officer initiates an investigation of a potential violation of criminal law by a student on the officer's own initiative and not at the behest of a building administrator or the designee of the superintendent, such officer will notify the building administrator and will make a reasonable attempt to contact the student's parent, guardian, or representative prior to initiating questioning.

Coordination with Law Enforcement

School administrators and/or school security officers shall/may meet periodically with local law enforcement officials to discuss the district's policies and rules regarding law enforcement contacts with the district.

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Notification of Investigations Conducted by Law Enforcement Officers

When law enforcement officers initiate an investigation involving questioning of a student on a topic unrelated to a report of child abuse or neglect or to the identity of the student during school hours, the building administrator shall make a reasonable attempt to contact a parent, guardian, or representative of the student(s) prior to such questioning. Notification or attempted notification of a parent, guardian, or representative shall be documented by the administrator involved. If a student's parent, guardian, or representative is not present during such questioning of a student, the principal may be present unless otherwise specified in law or board policy.

Child Abuse and Identity Investigations Conducted by Law Enforcement Officers

The administration shall cooperate with law enforcement officers who are conducting investigations of suspected child abuse or neglect or concerning the student's identity. For any investigations concerning known or suspected child abuse or neglect, school staff shall follow the procedures outlined in board policy GAAD instead of the requirements of this policy.

Law Enforcement Initiated Investigations at School

In cases not involving the investigation of known or suspected child abuse or neglect or involving the student's identity, law enforcement officers shall not be permitted to initiate and conduct investigations involving the questioning of students during school hours unless the student's parent or guardian has given the school permission to allow the questioning, a valid warrant has been presented to the building administrator for such purpose, or in

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demonstrated emergency situations. If a demonstrated emergency is found, the building administrator shall require identification of law enforcement officials and reasons for the interrogation or investigation of a student. If the building administrator is not satisfied with either the identification or the reason, the request shall not be granted. The building administrator shall attempt to notify the superintendent and the officer's superiors of the reasons for the refusal.

Taking Students Into Custody

Students shall not be voluntarily released by school officials to law enforcement authorities unless the student has been placed under arrest or taken into custody by law enforcement, school resource officers, campus police officers, or Department for Children and Families ("DCF") authorities pursuant to a child abuse investigation. Except as otherwise specified in this policy, a reasonable effort shall be made to notify the student's parent, guardian, or representative when students are removed from

school for any reason. Parents shall not be notified by school officials when their child is taken into custody by DCF, school resource officers, campus police officers, and/or law enforcement as a result of allegations of abuse or neglect. Except as provided above and/or as specified in a court order or arrest warrant, if a student is taken into custody by a law enforcement officer, school resource officer, or campus police officer, building administrators shall make a good-faith effort to contact the student's parent or guardian. Notification efforts shall be documented.

When a student has been taken into custody or arrested on school premises without prior notification to the building administrator, the school staff present shall ask the law enforcement officer to notify the building administrator of the circumstances as quickly as possible and shall themselves contact the building

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administrator with any information they have regarding the child being taken into custody. School resource officers and campus police officers are expected to contact the building administrator as soon as practicable after taking a student into custody.

Disturbance of School Environment

Law enforcement officers may be requested to assist in controlling disturbances at school and, if necessary, to take students or other persons into custody.

Definition

For the purposes of this policy, "campus police officer" is a school security officer employed by and designated by the board to aid and supplement law enforcement agencies of the state, city, and county in which the school district is located.

For the purposes of this policy, students will not be deemed to be "taken into custody" when they are being questioned by a school resource officer, school security officer, and/or campus police officer about a violation of state law, county resolutions, city ordinances, board policy or regulation, and/or school rules on property owned, occupied, or operated by the school district or at the site of a function sponsored by the school district.

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JCDA **Student Conduct** **JCDA**

Each principal shall develop rules and regulations to govern student conduct consistent with board policies. The rules shall be reviewed by the board and adopted as policy by reference. A copy of the current rules shall be filed with the state board of education.

The rules of conduct shall be published in student handbooks. (See JA)

Violation of any provision of the behavior code may result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension and/or expulsion. (See JDD)

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JCDAA **Tobacco and Electronic Cigarettes** (See GAOC) **JCDAA**

Use and/or possession of any tobacco product or nicotine delivery device by students is prohibited in any district facility; in school vehicles; at school-sponsored, activities, programs, or events; and on school owned or operated property.

Administrators may report students who are in violation of this policy to law enforcement, as appropriate.

For the purposes of this policy, "nicotine delivery device" means any device that can be used to deliver nicotine to the person inhaling from the device. Such definition shall include, but may not be limited to, any electronic cigarette, cigar, cigarillo, pipe, or personal vaporizer.

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JCDB Dress Code JCDB

Neatness, decency, and good taste are guidelines of the district dress code. Students must dress in a manner that is not obscene; offensive; or substantially or materially disruptive to the learning environment. Apparel that is sexually suggestive; promotes violence, illegal activities, drugs, alcohol, and/or tobacco; or is determined to be gang related is prohibited.

Student apparel and grooming must also meet requirements of any courses which are part of the approved curriculum in which they are enrolled.

Dress codes shall be published in the appropriate student handbooks.

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JCDBB **Weapons** (See EBC, JDC, JDD, JHCAA and KGD) **JCDBB**

A student shall not knowingly possess, handle, or transmit any object that can reasonably be considered a weapon at school, on school property, or at a school-sponsored event. This shall include any weapon, any item being used as a weapon or destructive device, or any facsimile of a weapon.

Weapons and Destructive Devices

As used in this policy, the term "weapon" and/or destructive device shall include, but shall not be limited to:

- any weapon which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive;
- the frame or receiver of any weapon described in the preceding example;
- any firearm muffler or firearm silencer;
- Any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas bomb, grenade, rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than 1/4 ounce, mine, or similar device;
- any weapon which will, or which may be readily converted to, expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or other propellant and which has any barrel with a bore of more than 1/2 inch in diameter;
- any combination of parts either designed or intended for use in converting any device into a destructive device described in the two immediately preceding examples and from which a destructive device may be readily assembled;
- any bludgeon, sand club, metal knuckles, or throwing star;
- any knife, commonly referred to as a switchblade, which has a blade that opens automatically by hand pressure applied to a button, spring, or other device in the handle of the knife or any knife having a blade that opens, falls, or is ejected into position by the force of gravity or by an outward, downward, or centrifugal thrust or movement;
- any electronic device designed to discharge immobilizing levels of electricity, commonly known as a stun gun.

Penalties for Weapon Violations

Possession of a firearm or other weapon listed under the "Weapons and Destructive Devices" heading above shall result in expulsion from school for a period

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of one calendar year, except the superintendent may recommend this expulsion requirement be modified on a case-by-case basis.

Possession of, handling of, and/or transmitting a weapon of a type other than described under the "Weapons and Destructive Devices" heading above, an item being used as a weapon or destructive device, or a facsimile of a weapon may result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension and/or expulsion. Expulsion hearings for weapons violations shall be conducted by the superintendent or the superintendent's designee.

Students violating this policy shall be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency(ies) and, if a juvenile, to the Secretary for DCF or the Secretary of KDOC as appropriate.

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Complaints About Discrimination

The district is committed to maintaining a working and learning environment free from discrimination, insult, intimidation, or harassment due to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, or disability.

Any incident of discrimination including acts of harassment shall promptly be reported for investigation and corrective action by the building principal or district compliance coordinator. Any student or employee who engages in discriminatory conduct shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination from employment or expulsion from school.

Discrimination against any student on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or religion in the admission or access to, or treatment in the district's programs and activities is prohibited. (The District Compliance Coordinator, Atchison County Community Schools, USD 377, PO Box 289, Effingham, KS 66023-0289, Telephone: 913-833-5050) has been designated to coordinate compliance with nondiscrimination requirements contained in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Any student who believes that he or she has been discriminated against may file a complaint with the building principal, another administrator, the guidance counselor, or another certified staff member. Any school employee who receives a complaint of discrimination or harassment from a student shall inform the student of the employee's obligation to report the complaint and

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any proposed resolution of the complaint to the building principal. If the building principal is the alleged harasser, the report shall be made to the district compliance coordinator. Any student complaint of discrimination shall be resolved under the district's discrimination complaint procedures in policy KN.

The district prohibits retaliation or discrimination against any person for opposing discrimination, including harassment; for participating in the complaint process; or making a complaint, testifying, assisting, or participating in any investigation, proceeding, or hearing.

Complaints About School Rules

Any student may file a complaint with the principal concerning a school rule or regulation as it applies to the student. The complaint shall be in writing, filed within 20 days following the application of the rule or regulation, and must specify the basis for the complaint. The principal shall investigate the complaint and inform the student of the resolution within 10 days after the complaint is filed.

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JCEC **Demonstrations** **JCEC**

Student demonstrations on school property shall be conducted in an orderly and non-disruptive manner. Demonstrations may be terminated at any time by the principal or the superintendent. (See JCAC)

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JDA **Corporal Punishment** **JDA**

Corporal punishment shall not be permitted in the school district.

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JDB Detention JDB

Detention periods may be established by building principals and administered according to rules approved by the board.

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JDC **Probation** (See JCDBB and JDD) **JDC**

Any punishment, suspension or expulsion, may be deferred by the superintendent, principal, or designee. The student involved may be placed on probation for a set period of time. The punishment, suspension, or expulsion, shall remain deferred so long as the student meets the conditions of the probation. If a student is placed on probation, written notification shall be sent to the student's parent or guardian. Any decisions on probation for students found to be in violation shall be handled by the superintendent.

A student placed on probation shall be given a written list of the terms and conditions of the probation. The student shall sign a statement that: the terms and conditions have been explained, the student understands the conditions, the student agrees to abide by the conditions, and failure to abide by the conditions may be reason to reinstate the original punishment.

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JDD Suspension and Expulsion Procedures JDD

(See AEB, EBC, IHEA, JBD, JCDBB, JDC, JCDA, JDDB, JDDC, and JHCAA)

Except as limited by Section 504 or IDEA, a student may be suspended or expelled, for reasons set forth in Kansas law. Any student who is suspended for a period of more than 10 days or expelled shall receive a copy of the current suspension and expulsion law and this policy. Suspension/expulsion hearings shall be conducted by the superintendent/designee or other certificated employee, or committee of certificated employees of the school in which the pupil is enrolled, or by any other hearing officer appointed by the board.

Reasons for Suspension or Expulsion

Students may be suspended or expelled for one or more of the following reasons:

- Willful violation of any published, adopted student conduct regulation;
- Conduct which substantially disrupts, impedes, or interferes with school operation;
- Conduct which endangers the safety or substantially impinges on or invades the rights of others;
- Conduct which constitutes the commission of a felony;
- Conduct at school, on school property, or at a school supervised activity which constitutes the commission of a misdemeanor;
- Disobedience of an order of a school authority if the disobedience results in disorder, disruption or interference with school operation; and
- Possession of a weapon at school, on school property or at a school-sponsored event.

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Short-term Suspension

Except in an emergency, a short-term suspension (not exceeding ten school days) must be preceded by oral or written notice of the charges to the student and an informal hearing. If a hearing is not held prior to the suspension, an informal hearing shall be provided no later than 72 hours after imposition of a short-term suspension.

Written notice of any short-term suspension shall be delivered to the student's parent or guardian within 24 hours after the suspension has been imposed. Short-term suspension hearings may be conducted by any person designated in policy as having the authority to suspend.

At the informal suspension hearing, the student shall have the right to be present and to be notified of the charges and the basis for the accusation. The student shall have the right to make statements in his/her defense after receiving notice of the charges.

Long-Term Suspension or Expulsion

Before a student is subject to long-term suspension (not to exceed 90 school days) or expulsion (not to exceed 186 school days or one calendar year for certain weapons and/or destructive device violations), a hearing shall be conducted by a hearing officer who has been authorized by the board.

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Formal hearings shall be conducted according to procedures outlined in

current Kansas law and:

- The student and parents or guardians shall be given written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing.
- The notice shall include copies of the suspension/expulsion law, and appropriate board policies, regulations and handbooks.
- The hearing may be conducted by either a certified employee or committee of certified employees authorized by the board, the chief administrative officer, or other certified employee of the district in which the student is enrolled, or by an officer appointed by board.
- Expulsion hearings for weapons violations shall be conducted in compliance with Kansas law by persons appointed by the board.
- Findings required by law shall be prepared by the person or committee conducting the hearing.
- A record of the hearing shall be available to students and parents or guardians according to Kansas law.
- Written notice of the result of the hearing shall be given to the pupil and to parents and guardians within 24 hours after determination of such result.

Rules Which Apply in all Cases When a Student May be Suspended or Expelled

- Refusal or failure of the student and/or the student's parents to attend the hearing shall result in a waiver of the student's opportunity for the hearing.
- A student suspended for more than 10 school days or expelled from school shall be provided with information concerning services or programs offered by public and private agencies which provide services to improve the student's attitude and behavior.
- A student who has been suspended or expelled shall be notified of the day the student can return to school.

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- If the suspension or expulsion is not related to a weapons violation, the principal may establish appropriate requirements relating to the student's future behavior at school and may place the student on probation. (See JDC)

- If the expulsion is related to a weapons violation the superintendent may establish appropriate requirements relating to the student's future behavior at school and may place the student on probation if the student is allowed to return. (See EBC, JCDBB and JDC)

- The days a student is suspended or expelled are not subject to the compulsory attendance law.

- During the time a student is suspended or expelled from school, the student may not:

    - Be on school property or in any school building without the permission of the principal.
    - Attend any school activity as a spectator, participant or observer.

A student over the age of 18 or the parents or guardian of a student who is suspended for more than 10 days or expelled from school may appeal to the board within 10 calendar days of receiving written notice of the hearing results.

When a suspension is imposed during the school day, the student shall not be removed from school until a parent has been notified. If a parent cannot be notified during regular school hours, the student shall remain at school until the regular dismissal time.

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Student Rights During a Long-Term Suspension/Expulsion Hearing

The student shall have the right:

- to counsel of his/her own choice;
- to have a parent or guardian present;
- to hear or read a full report of testimony of witnesses;
- to confront and cross-examine witnesses who appear in person at the hearing; to present his or her own witnesses;
- to testify in his or her own behalf and to give reasons for his or her conduct;
- to an orderly hearing; and
- to a fair and impartial decision based on substantial evidence.

Appeal to the Board

The following conditions shall apply if a student who is age 18 or older or the student's parent or guardian files a written appeal of a suspension or expulsion:

- Written notice of the appeal shall be filed with the clerk within 10 calendar days of receiving the results of the hearing.
- The board shall schedule an appeal with the board or a hearing officer appointed by the board within 20 calendar days.
- The student and the student's parent shall be notified in writing of the time and place of the appeal at least 5 calendar days before the hearing.
- The hearing shall be conducted as a formal hearing using rules similar to those noted earlier for expulsion hearings.
- The board shall record the hearing.

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- The board shall render a final decision no later than the next regularly scheduled board meeting after the conclusion of the appeal hearing.

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Report to Staff Member USD 377

Pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6143, administrative, professional or paraprofessional employees of a school who have information that a pupil has engaged in the following shall report the information and the identity of the student to the superintendent. The superintendent shall investigate the matter, and, if it is determined the student has been involved in the following, the superintendent shall provide information and the identity of the pupil to all employees who are involved, or likely to be directly involved, in teaching or providing related services to pupil:

1. Any student who has been expelled for conduct which endangers the safety of others;
2. Any student who has been expelled for commission of felony type offenses;
3. Any student who has been expelled for possession of a weapon;
4. Any student who has been adjudged to be a juvenile offender and whose offense, if committed by an adult, would constitute a felony, except a felony theft offense involving no direct threat to human life;
5. Any student who has been tried and convicted as an adult of any felony, except theft involving no direct threat to human life.

You are notified that _____, within the past 365 days, has been expelled, adjudged or convicted for an activity listed above.

School District staff are required by both Federal Law and K.S.A. 72-6311 to protect the right of privacy of any student under the age of 18 and the student's family regarding personally identifiable records, files, data, and information directly related to the student and his/her family. I acknowledge this responsibility and agree that I will disclose the above information only to other USD ____ employees and officials. Violation of these privacy rights could include sanctions up to and including termination.

Signed:_____
School employee who receives the report

Signed:_____
Administrator or school employee making report

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JDDA **Drug-Free Schools** (See GAOB, JGFGB, JGFGBA, and LDD) **JDDA**

Maintaining drug-free schools is important in establishing an appropriate learning environment for the district's students. Unless otherwise specified in this policy, the possession, use, sale, distribution, and/or being under the influence of illicit drugs, controlled substances, and/or alcohol by students at school, on or in school property, or at school sponsored activities or events is prohibited.

Possession, use, and/or being under the influence of a controlled substance by a student for the purposes of this policy shall only be permitted if such substance was:

1. Obtained directly from, or pursuant to a valid prescription or order, issued to such student from a person licensed by the state to dispense, prescribe, or administer controlled substances;
2. In the case of use or possession, approved and administered, if administered at all, in accordance with board policy JGFGB and/or board policy JGFGBA; and
3. Used, if at all, in accordance with label directions.

Student Conduct

As a condition of continued enrollment in the district, students shall abide by the terms of this policy.

Students shall not manufacture, sell, distribute, dispense, possess, use, and/or be under the influence of illicit drugs, controlled substances, or alcoholic beverages at school, on or in school district property, or at any school activity,

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program, or event. Any student violating the terms of this policy will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement officials, and will be subject to locally adopted policies.

Students who are suspended or expelled under the terms of this policy will be afforded the due process rights contained in board policies and Kansas statutes, K.S.A. 72-6114, et seq. Nothing in this policy is intended to diminish the ability of the district to take other disciplinary action against the student in accordance with other policies governing student discipline. If a student agrees to enter and complete a drug education or rehabilitation program, the cost of such program will be borne by the student and his or her parents.

A list of area drug and alcohol counseling and rehabilitation programs, along with names and addresses of contact persons for the programs, is on file with the board clerk. Parents or students should contact the directors of the programs to determine the cost and length of the program.

A copy of this policy will be provided to all students and the parents of all students. Parents of all students will be notified that compliance with this policy is mandatory.

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JDDB Reporting to Law Enforcement (See EBC and JDD) JDDB

Unless reporting would violate the terms of any memorandum of understanding between the district and local law enforcement, whenever a student engages in conduct which constitutes the commission of any misdemeanor or felony at school, on school property, or at a school supervised activity and/or has been found 1) in possession of a weapon, 2) in possession of a controlled substance or illegal drug, or 3) to have engaged in behavior at school which has resulted in or was substantially likely to have resulted in serious bodily injury to others, the principal shall report such act to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

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Report to Local Law Enforcement
USD 377

Pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6143, the administrator or other school employee whose signature appears below is reporting the following crimes.

{Briefly describe each incident and the person/s involved in felonies, misdemeanors and weapons}

Date	School/Location	Student/s or Person/s Involved	Brief Description
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

School Districts are required by Federal Law and K.S.A. 72-6311 to protect the privacy rights of students under the age of 18.

Signed:_____
Administrator or other school employee.

cc: Superintendent of Schools, USD ____ Student/s file

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JDDC Bullying (See EBC, GAAE, JCE, JDD, JGEC, JGECA, and KGC) JDDC

The board of education prohibits bullying in any form by any student, staff member, or parent towards a student or a staff member on or while using school property, in a school vehicle, or at a school-sponsored activity or event. For the purposes of this policy, the term "bullying" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in Kansas law.

The administration shall propose, and the board shall review and approve a plan to address bullying as prohibited herein. The plan shall include provisions for the training and education of staff members and students and shall include appropriate community involvement as approved by the board.

Students who have bullied others in violation of this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension and/or expulsion. If appropriate, students who violate the bullying prohibition shall be reported to local law enforcement.

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Report to Local Law Enforcement

USD 377

Pursuant to Kansas law, the administrator or other school employee whose signature appears below is reporting the following crimes.

Briefly describe each incident and the person/s involved in a misdemeanor or felony behavior at school, on school property, or at a school activity.

Date	School/Location	Student/s or Person/s Involved	Brief Description of bullying incident/s.
1.			
2.			

School Districts are required by Federal Law and K.S.A. 72-6311 to protect the privacy rights of students under the age of 18.

Signed: _____
Administrator or other school employee

c/superintendent, USD377; c/student's file

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JF Academic Achievement JF

Staff shall establish high expectations for all students. These expectations shall be based on individual student ability to meet the board approved learning objectives for each subject.

Reporting (See JR et seq.)

Periodic reports on each student's mastery of the approved learning objectives shall be issued to the parents.

Report Cards (See JR et seq.)

Report cards shall be issued to each student at the end of each specific grading period for each subject taken. Reasons for deficiencies and/or failures shall be given. The superintendent shall develop standard reporting forms for each grade level.

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JFA **Peer Grading of Assignments** **JFA**

Peer grading shall be allowed when the teacher believes peer edit/review will be a valuable learning experience for the class. During a peer edit/review activity, the teacher shall use the activity to help students review class concepts or objectives. If peer edit/review is allowed, students shall not be asked to publicly reveal either their own grade or the grade of another student.

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JFB **Promotion and Retention** **JFB**

Students may be promoted when they have demonstrated mastery of the board-approved learning objectives.

The final decision to promote or retain a student shall rest with the principal after receiving information from parents/guardians, teachers, and other appropriate school personnel.

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JFC **Graduation Exercises** **JFC**

Students who have completed the requirements for graduation may be allowed to participate in graduation exercises unless participation is denied for appropriate reasons. Graduation exercises shall be under the control and direction of the building principal.

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JFCA **Early Graduation (See IHF)** **JFCA**

Students who complete all state and local graduation requirements may request permission to graduate early.

A student who wishes to graduate from high school early may request permission to do so. The student and parents shall consult with high school administrative and/or guidance personnel in order to develop a graduation plan. The board shall approve or deny each request based on the circumstances of the individual student. The student's request shall be in writing, addressed to the superintendent, state the reasons supporting the request, and include a copy of the graduation plan and a letter of support from the student's parents. The letters of request shall be sent to the superintendent, who shall forward them to the board.

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Parents or guardians shall be notified annually in writing of student insurance provided by the district and that medical expenses not covered by such policies are the responsibility of the parents.

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JGA **Student Insurance Program** **JGA-R**

The superintendent and building principals will develop the most economical and comprehensive student group insurance plan available for consideration by the board during the regular board meeting in July of each year.

At the beginning of each school year, the building principal of each school will give to the parents of each student a copy of the student accident brochure outlining medical benefits and exclusions and a detailed explanation of how claims are made against this insurance plan.

Additional voluntary accident insurance is available for parents to purchase.

At the beginning of each school year, the building principal of each secondary school will send to the parents of each student involved in interschool activities copies of the KSHSAA catastrophic insurance and the activities insurance plan and a detailed explanation of how claims are made against these insurance plans.

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JGC **Health Assessments and Physicals** (See JGCB) **JGC**

Unless otherwise provided herein, all students under the age of nine shall submit evidence they have undergone a health assessment prior to entering kindergarten or before enrolling in the district for the first time.

The above requirement is not to serve as a barrier to immediate enrollment of students designated as homeless or foster children as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the McKinney-Vento Act as amended by ESSA. The district shall work with the Department for Children and Families, the school last attended, or other relevant agencies to obtain necessary documentation of health assessments.

All students engaged in athletic activities covered by KSHSAA rules shall provide the building principal with proof of a physical examination and clearance to participate.

Principals shall work cooperatively with local, county, and state health agencies to disseminate materials related to the availability of health assessments.

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JGCA Local Wellness JGCA

The board is committed to providing a school environment that promotes student wellness as part of the total learning experience for its students. To this end, the board shall promote and monitor a local wellness plan that includes methods to promote student wellness, prevent and reduce childhood obesity, and provide assurance that school meals and other food and beverages sold and otherwise made available on the school campus during the school day are consistent with applicable minimum federal standards. The plan shall:

- Include goals for providing proper student nutrition promotion and education, physical activity, and other school-based activities designed to promote student wellness which are based on evidence-based strategies and techniques;
- Meet federal nutrition standards and guidelines for all foods and beverages provided to students in each school during the school day; and
- Ensure standards and nutrition guidelines for all foods and beverages sold to students during the school day at each district school are consistent with the requirements of the School Breakfast Program, the National School Lunch Program, and the competitive food standards established pursuant to the National School Lunch Program.

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for the implementation and oversight of this policy and plan to ensure each of the district's schools, programs, and curriculum is compliant with this policy, the plan, and existing law and regulations.

Each building principal or designee shall annually report to the superintendent or designee regarding compliance in his/her school. Staff members responsible for programs related to school wellness shall also report to the superintendent or designee regarding the status of such programs. The

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superintendent or designee shall then annually report to the board on the district's compliance with law, policy, and the district's plan related to school wellness.

Wellness Committee

The board shall establish a wellness committee comprised of, but not necessarily limited to, at least one of each of the following: school board member, district administrator, district food service representative, student, parent/guardian, school health professional, physical education teacher, and member of the public.

The wellness committee shall serve as an advisory committee regarding student health issues and shall be responsible for developing, implementing, and periodically reviewing and updating a school wellness policy and plan that complies with law to recommend to the board for adoption.

The wellness committee shall review and consider evidence-based strategies and techniques in establishing goals for nutrition education and promotion, physical activity, and other school based activities that promote student wellness as part of the policy and plan development and revision process.

The superintendent or designee and the wellness committee shall conduct an assessment at least once every three (3) years on the contents and implementation of this policy and plan as part of a continuous improvement process to strengthen them and ensure proper implementation. This triennial assessment shall be made available to the public in an accessible and easily understood manner and include:

- The extent to which district schools are in compliance with law, policy, and its plan related to school wellness;
- The extent to which this policy and plan compare to model local wellness policies; and
- A description of the progress made by the district in attaining the goals of this policy.

At least once every three (3) years, the district shall update or modify this policy and wellness plan based on the results of the most recent triennial assessment and/or as district and community needs and priorities change;

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wellness goals are met; new health science, information, and technologies emerge; or new federal or state guidance or standards are issued.

The district shall annually inform and update the public, including parents/guardians, students, and others in the community, about the contents, updates and implementation of this policy and plan via the district website, student handbooks, newsletters, or other efficient communication methods. This annual notification shall include information on how to access the school wellness policy and plan; information about the most recent triennial assessment; information on how to participate in the development, implementation, and periodic review and update of the school wellness policy and plan; and a means of contacting wellness committee leadership.

Recordkeeping

The district shall retain records documenting compliance with the requirements of the school wellness policy, which shall include:

- The written school wellness policy and plan;
- Documentation demonstrating that the district has informed the public, on an annual basis, about the contents of the school wellness policy and plan and any updates to these documents;
- Documentation of efforts to review and update the school wellness policy and plan, including who was involved in the review and methods used by the district to inform the public of their ability to participate in the review; and
- Documentation demonstrating the most recent assessment on the implementation of the school wellness policy and plan and notification of the assessment results to the public.

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(Sample Plan)

DISTRICT WELLNESS PLAN

The board offers the following district wellness plan as a supplement to its wellness policy, JGCA. This plan reflects some of the board's elected methods to promote student wellness, prevent and reduce childhood obesity, and provide assurance that school meals and other food and beverages sold and otherwise made available on the school campus during the school day are consistent with applicable minimum federal standards. This plan is periodically revised in accordance with policy JGCA. Questions concerning its contents may be directed to _____, president of the district's wellness committee at _____ or to the superintendent at _____.

NUTRITION PROMOTION AND EDUCATION

Designated instructional staff will integrate nutrition education into the district's sequential, comprehensive health education program. The program will be reviewed and updated, as appropriate.

Nutrition education will be interactive and will endeavor to provide students with the knowledge and skills needed to adopt healthy eating behaviors.

Nutrition education may be provided in school cafeterias, as well as in the classroom, with coordination between the food service personnel and teachers.

The district will provide appropriate training to the staff members responsible for providing nutrition education and training to students on strategies for promoting healthy eating behaviors.

Consistent nutrition messages will be disseminated throughout the district, schools, classrooms, cafeterias, homes, and community utilizing one or more of the following methods:

1. Handouts;
2. Posters and bulletin boards;
3. Postings on the district's website;
4. Articles and information provided in district or school newsletters;
5. Presentations that focus on nutritional value and healthy lifestyles;
6. Special programs that highlight aspects of nutrition education; and
7. News media.

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Lessons and Activities

District staff will develop and implement nutrition education lessons and activities for all grades that are appropriate to the student's age and developmental levels.

Instructional staff will be requested to integrate nutritional themes into daily lessons and activities, as appropriate, to complement the academic standards based on nutrition education. Nutritional themes may include, but are not limited to:

1. Knowledge of USDA dietary guidelines;
2. Sources and variety of foods;
3. Guide to a healthy diet, including snacks and the importance of breakfast;
4. Concepts of control and prevention of disease and nutritional deficiencies;
5. Use and misuse of dietary supplements;
6. Understanding calories;
7. Understanding and using food labels;
8. Essential nutrients and their relationship to physical performance and body composition;
9. Appreciating cultural diversity related to food and eating;
10. Recognizing appropriate serving sizes;
11. Safe food preparation, handling, and storage; and
12. Identifying and limiting junk food.

District staff members are expected to be supportive in helping students to practice the nutritional themes used in lessons and activities.

Family and Community Involvement

The superintendent or designee will be responsible for promoting family and community involvement in supporting and reinforcing nutrition education in the schools utilizing one or more of the following methods:

1. Nutrition education materials are sent home with students, posted in school buildings, and made available on the district's website;
2. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to send healthy snacks/meals to school;

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3. Families are invited to attend any exhibitions of student nutrition projects or health fairs;

4. Nutrition education workshops and screening services may be offered;

5. Links with nutrition service providers (e.g., qualified public health and nutrition professionals) may be established on the district's website to inform families about supplemental nutritional services available in the community;

6. Nutrition education curriculum may include homework that students can do with their families, such as:

    a. Reading and interpreting food labels,

    b. Reading nutrition-related articles, and

    c. Preparing healthy recipes; and

7. School staff members will be encouraged to cooperate with other agencies and community groups to provide opportunities for student projects related to nutrition, as appropriate.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Developmentally appropriate physical activities during the school day for students will be designed to achieve optimal health, wellness, fitness, and performance benefits, and may include the following:

1. Daily school-wide exercise program for students in which all students participate in their classrooms;

2. Physical activity breaks for students between lessons or classes, as appropriate; activities will be planned to maximize student participation;

3. Providing information to parents/guardians that encourages students' physical activity outside the school environment, such as outdoor play at home, sports, recreation programs, before and after-school programs, community programs, etc.;

4. Establishing guidelines governing the age-appropriate physical activity opportunities for students that will be provided in each school;

5. Offering and supervising walking programs for students on school property before school, at lunch, or after school;

6. Daily recess periods for elementary school students featuring time for unstructured but supervised active play;

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7. Introducing physical activities other than competitive sports to students;

8. Organizing and supervising walking trains for students going to and coming home from school;

9. Programs conducted before and after school in district facilities providing developmentally appropriate physical activities to students in an effort to promote physical activity. Designated staff will meet with providers of before and after-school programs in district facilities to discuss and support opportunities for physical activity for attendees;

10. Sending students home with suggestions for physical activities for use by parents/guardians through:

    a. Monthly suggested activity calendars,

    b. Periodic information and updates,

    c. Notices of family activity events taking place in the schools or community;

11. Promoting the use of school facilities by students and the community for physical activity, fitness, sports, and recreation programs offered by district schools and/or community-based organizations outside of school hours through:

    a. Announcements,

    b. Posted notices,

    c. Newsletters,

    d. District's website,

    e. District's calendar,

    f. News media.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Professional staff will provide physical education instruction that complies with the established curriculum and academic standards to ensure that students develop required skills and knowledge.

The physical education curriculum and program will be reviewed and updated, as appropriate.

District schools will encourage all students to participate in physical education classes.

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Physical education staff will utilize appropriate instructional strategies that provide meaningful inclusion of all students, regardless of skill or fitness level.

The district's physical education programs will:

1. Provide physical activity options and alternatives from a variety of categories such as outdoor, rhythmical, and lifetime;

2. Feature cooperative as well as competitive games;

3. Teach self-management skills as well as movement skills;

4. Actively teach cooperation, fair play, and responsible participation;

5. Promote participation in physical activity outside of school;

6. Endeavor to be an enjoyable experience for students;

7. Encourage lifelong participation in health-enhancing physical activities;

9. Attempt to create a positive learning environment in which students feel safe and supported; and

10. Utilize physical activities that are developmentally appropriate.

Suitably adapted physical education will be included, when practicable, as part of a student's IEP, Section 504 Plan, or accommodation when chronic health problems, disabling conditions, or other special needs preclude such student's participation in regular physical education instruction or activities. Documented medical conditions and disabilities will be accommodated in accordance with the applicable IEP or Section 504 Plan.

An annual assessment and inventory of equipment, facilities, and resources used for physical education courses will be made by physical education staff. Equipment, facilities, and resources determined to be obsolete, out-of-date, unusable, or unsafe will be reported for disposition.

Physical education staff will attend professional development opportunities and inservice programs, in accordance with board policy.
District schools will discourage the withholding or use of physical education solely as a form of punishment.

Student physical activity on school grounds during school hours will be supervised to enforce safety rules and to attempt to prevent injuries.

Building administrators are encouraged to notify district staff that physical activity (e.g., recess) will not be used or withheld as a form of punishment;

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Assessment

A local assessment system may be implemented to track student progress on the Health and Physical Education academic standards. Course grades will be awarded in the same manner grades are awarded in other subject areas and will be included in calculations of grade point average, class rank, and academic recognition programs.

Family and Community Involvement

To promote family and community involvement in supporting and reinforcing physical education in the schools, the building principal or designee will be responsible for ensuring that:

1. Physical education activity ideas are sent home with students;

2. Parents/Guardians are actively encouraged to promote their child's participation in the school's physical education programs and any after-school activities through information distributed by the school;

3. Families are invited to attend and participate in physical education activity programs and health fairs when held;

4. Physical education curriculum may include homework that students can do with their families.

5. School staff is encouraged to consider student preferences and interest when developing physical education programs.

6. School staff is encouraged to work with local recreation agencies and community organizations to provide opportunities for students to participate in physical activity programs outside of school.

OTHER SCHOOL BASED ACTIVITIES

Drinking water shall be available and accessible to students, without restriction and at no cost to the student, at all meal periods and throughout the school day.

Nutrition professionals who meet hiring criteria established by the district and in compliance with federal regulations shall administer the school meals program. Professional development and continuing education shall be provided for district nutrition staff, as required by federal regulations.

1. Students shall be provided a clean and safe meal environment.

2. District administrators may consider offering alternative service models to increase school breakfast participation, such as breakfast served in the classroom and "grab & go breakfast" to reinforce the positive educational, behavioral, and health impacts of a healthy breakfast.

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3. Students shall have access to hand washing or sanitizing before meals and snacks.

4. { } Access to the food service operation shall be limited to authorized staff.

5. { } Nutrition content of school meals shall be available to students and parents/guardians upon request.

6. { } The district shall provide appropriate training to staff on the components of the school wellness policy and plan.

7. { } Fundraising projects submitted for approval shall be supportive of healthy eating and student wellness or at least neutral on that topic.

8. { } The district shall support the efforts of parents/guardians to provide a healthy diet and daily physical activity for children by communicating relevant information through various methods.

9. { } _____ other.

FUNDRAISERS

Fundraising projects must be submitted for district approval in accordance with district policy. School fundraising activities will be approved with consideration of the following:

1. Fundraising activities held during the school day involving the sale of food or beverages will be limited to foods that meet the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards, unless an exemption is approved by the building principal;

2. Availability of any food or beverage items sold as part of a fundraising activity will be restricted until at least thirty (30) minutes after the last lunch period;

3. Fundraising activities that promote physical activity will be encouraged; and

4. District staff members are encouraged to select foods and beverages which are low in sugar and fat content to be sold as part of any fundraisers for school sponsored activities, programs, or events outside of the school day.

For purposes of this regulation, school day means the period from midnight before school begins until thirty (30) minutes after the end of the official school day.

Copies of this administrative regulation will be available in the central office and will be distributed to activity sponsors, student treasurers of school activities, and other interested individuals and groups.

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Exempt fundraiser foods or beverages may not be sold in competition with school meals in the food service area during the meal service.

NUTRITION GUIDELINES FOR ALL FOODS/BEVERAGES AT SCHOOL

All foods and beverages available in district schools during the school day shall be offered to students with consideration for promoting student health and reducing obesity.

Foods and beverages provided through the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Programs shall comply with established federal nutrition standards.

Foods and beverages offered or sold at school-sponsored events outside the school day, such as athletic events and dances, shall offer healthy alternatives in addition to more traditional fare.

Competitive Foods

Competitive foods available for sale shall meet or exceed the established federal nutrition standards (USDA Smart Snacks in School). These standards shall apply in all locations and through all services where foods and beverages are sold to students, which may include, but are not limited to: a la carte options in cafeterias, vending machines, school stores, snack carts, and fundraisers conducted during the school day.

Competitive foods are defined as foods and beverages offered or sold to students on school campus during the school day, which are not part of the reimbursable school breakfast or lunch.

For purposes of this policy, school campus means any area of property under the jurisdiction of the school that students may access during the school day.

For purposes of this policy, school day means the period from midnight before school begins until thirty (30) minutes after the end of the official school day.

The district may impose additional restrictions on competitive foods, provided that the restrictions are not inconsistent with federal requirements.

Non-Sold Competitive Foods

Non-sold competitive foods available to students, which may include but are not limited to foods and beverages offered as rewards and incentives, at classroom parties and celebrations, or as shared classroom snacks, shall meet or exceed the standards established by the district.

If the offered competitive foods do not meet or exceed the Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards, the following standards shall apply:

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1. Rewards and Incentives: (CHOOSE ONE OF THE OPTIONS BELOW)
   a. { } Foods and beverages shall not be used as a reward or incentive in district schools.

   b. { } Foods and beverages shall not be used as a reward for classroom or school activities unless the reward is an activity that promotes a positive nutrition message (e.g., guest chef, field trip to a farm or farmers market, etc.).

   c. { } _____other.

2. Classroom Parties and Celebrations: (CHOOSE ONE OR MORE OF THE OPTIONS BELOW)

   a. { } Only non-food based parties and celebrations shall occur on the school campus during the school day in district schools.

   b. { } Classroom parties/celebrations with food/beverages shall be limited to no more than one (1) per month in each classroom.

   c. { } Parents/Guardians shall be informed through newsletters or other efficient communication methods that foods/beverages should only be brought in when requested for scheduled parties.

   d. { } Classroom parties shall offer a minimal amount of foods (maximum 2-3 items) containing added sugar as the primary ingredient (e.g., cupcakes, cookies) and will provide the following:

      - Fresh fruits/vegetables; and

      - Water, 100 percent juice, 100 percent juice diluted with water, low-fat milk, or nonfat milk.

   e. { } When possible, foods/beverages for parties and celebrations shall be provided by the food service department to help prevent food safety and allergy concerns.

   f. { } Food celebrations shall not occur until thirty (30) minutes after the end of the last lunch period.

   g. { } _____other.

3. Shared Classroom Snacks:

   a. { } Shared classroom snacks are not permitted in district schools

   b. { } _____other.

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The district shall provide a list of suggested nonfood ideas and healthy food and beverage alternatives to parents/guardians and staff, which may be posted via the district website, student handbook, newsletters, posted notices and/or other efficient communication methods.

Marketing/Contracting

Any foods and beverages marketed or promoted to students on the school campus during the school day shall meet or exceed the established federal nutrition standards (USDA Smart Snacks in School) and comply with established Board policy and administrative regulations.

Exclusive competitive food and/or beverage contracts shall be approved by the board, in accordance with provisions of law. Existing contracts shall be reviewed and modified to the extent feasible to ensure compliance with established federal nutrition standards, including applicable marketing restrictions.

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

District schools may provide appropriate instruction on walking and bicycling safety to students.

To make walking and biking to school safer and easier for students, improvements to school zone traffic safety may be made by:

1. Developing drop-off and pick-up procedures and informing students, parents/guardians, and district staff by means of:

a. Publication in handbooks,

b. Reminders to parents/guardians in the form of letters or emails at the start of each school term and as necessary throughout the school year,

c. Presentation at a student assembly,

d. Presentation at a parents meeting, and/or

e. Posting of notice/signs.

2. Designating a drop-off and pick-up zone to discourage traffic congestion in front of schools;

3. Conducting regular traffic safety training for school personnel, volunteers, and students who drive to school;

4. Encouraging carpooling to alleviate traffic congestion in front of schools;

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5. Staggering school arrival and dismissal times for different grades to minimize the flow of traffic; and

6. Using a designated employee, parent/guardian, or volunteer at drop-off locations to open the student's door and expedite the drop-off process.

Designated school personnel, police, and volunteers may periodically evaluate drop-off and pick-up conditions and provide safety information and instruction to drivers.

The Superintendent or designee may meet periodically with local municipality officials, law enforcement, and community organizations to develop, evaluate, and maintain safe routes to school.

In cooperation with the local ordinances and laws, physical improvements such as curb striping and signage revision may be made to the school's drop-off and pick-up zones and/or parking and stopping spots.

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JGCB **Inoculations** (See JGC) **JGCB**

Unless provided otherwise herein, all students enrolling in any district school shall provide the building principal with proof of immunization of certain diseases or furnish documents to satisfy statutory requirements. Booster shots mandated by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Environment are also required.

Notice of this policy and the applicable state law shall be distributed to parents or guardians of current and prospective district students on or before May 15th of each school year. The superintendent shall issue a news release each August explaining the required inoculations and booster shots. Parents may delegate in writing their authority to consent to immunizations. At the beginning of a school year, school boards shall provide information on immunizations applicable to school age children to parents and guardians of students in grades six through 12. The information on immunizations shall include:

(1) A list of sources for additional information; and

(2) related standards issued by the national centers for disease control and prevention.

Students who fail to provide the documentation required by law may be excluded from school by the superintendent until statutory requirements are satisfied. Notice of exclusion shall be given to the parents/guardians as prescribed by law. Students who are not immunized against a particular disease(es) may be excluded from school during any outbreak.

The above requirements are not to serve as barriers to immediate enrollment of students designated as homeless or foster children as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the McKinney-Vento Act as amended by ESSA. The district shall work with the Department for Children and Families, the school last attended, or other relevant agencies to obtain necessary documentation of inoculations.

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Each principal shall forward evidence of compliance with the inoculation law to other schools or school districts when requested by the school or by the student's parents/guardians and shall work cooperatively with local, county, and state health agencies to disseminate materials related to the availability of inoculations.

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JGCBA **Automated External Defibrillators (AED)** **JGCBA**

If the board approves their use in district schools and other facilities, automated external defibrillators shall be properly maintained as required by law and used in accordance with recommended instructions.

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JGCC **Communicable Diseases** **JGCC**

Any student noted by a physician or the school nurse as having a communicable disease may be required to withdraw from school for the duration of the illness. The student will be readmitted to regular classes upon termination of the illness, as authorized by the student's physician or as authorized by a health assessment team.

The board reserves the right to require a written statement from the student's physician indicating that the student is free from all symptoms of the disease.

If a student is absent from regular classes for more than three consecutive days or the principal has been notified that a student has a communicable disease, the principal shall determine whether a release shall be obtained from the student's physician before the student reenters school.

Decisions regarding the type of education and the setting for provision of educational services for a student with a severe communicable disease of long duration shall be based on the child's medical condition, the child's behavior and neurological development, and the expected type of interaction with others in the educational setting. Final decisions will be made by school administration after receiving input from the student's physician, public health personnel, the student's parent or guardian, and personnel associated with the proposed care or educational setting.

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JGCD Health Screenings **JGCD**

Vision and hearing screenings will be conducted in the district as part of the overall health services program. Frequency of the screenings will be in accordance with state law. When appropriate, other screenings deemed beneficial to students, such as dental screenings, may be performed in the school health program.

When these screenings cannot be performed by district staff, the board authorizes the superintendent to identify healthcare service providers to provide them. Such healthcare service providers shall be required to enter into a contract with the district prior to providing any screenings or other services to students in the school setting.

Vision Screenings - Each year vision screening procedures will be conducted for students new to the district, including kindergarteners. Such procedures will be provided for other students at a frequency of not less than once every two years unless otherwise specified by state law. Students known to have vision difficulties and students referred by teachers, parents, and/or physicians will be screened regardless of grade level.

Hearing Screening - Each year hearing screening procedures will be conducted for students new to the district, including kindergarteners. Such procedures will be provided for other students at a frequency of not less than once every three years unless otherwise specified by state law. Students known to have

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hearing difficulties and students referred by teachers, parents, and/or physicians will be screened regardless of grade level.

Under certain conditions, hearing screening services are provided for students residing within district boundaries who are enrolled in accredited non-public schools. These services are coordinated between the administration of the accredited nonpublic school and district administration and require a request from the student's parent or guardian. Implementation of the program for nonpublic school students follows the same guidelines as for district students.

Dental Screenings - Free dental inspections will be offered to students, planned for by designated school staff, and conducted by appropriate dental care providers.

Selected Screenings - Other screening procedures may be deemed appropriate and beneficial to students. Designated staff will assist in the planning and implementation of other screening programs following standard procedures.

Screening results, and referrals when necessary, will be communicated to parents.

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In accordance with state law, the parent or guardian of any child entering school for the first time shall be informed of the availability of sickle cell screening and of the location of the nearest facility providing blood tests for sickle cell trait and sickle cell anemia.

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JGD **Student Psychological Services** **JGD**

Various psychological services are available to students through the district, cooperative special education programs, the county, and the state. Results of any such psychological service, testing program, or consultation services will be kept in strict confidence by school authorities and shall be governed by JR through JRD.

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JGEC **Sexual Harassment** (See GAAC, GAAD, GAF, JDDC and KN) **JGEC**

The board of education is committed to providing a positive and productive learning and working environment, free from discrimination on the basis of sex, including sexual harassment. Sexual harassment shall not be tolerated in the school district. Sexual harassment of employees or students of the district by board members, administrators, certificated and support personnel, students, vendors, and any others having business or other contact with the school district is strictly prohibited.

Sexual harassment is unlawful discrimination on the basis of sex under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Kansas Acts Against Discrimination. All forms of sexual harassment are prohibited at school, on school property, and at all school-sponsored activities, programs or events. Sexual harassment against individuals associated with the school is prohibited, whether or not the harassment occurs on school grounds.

It shall be a violation of this policy for any student, employee, or third party (visitor, vendor, etc.) to sexually harass any student, employee, or other individual associated with the school. It shall further be a violation for any employee to discourage a student from filing a complaint, or to fail to investigate or refer for investigation, any complaint lodged under the provisions of this policy.

Sexual harassment is unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and other inappropriate oral, written or physical conduct of a sexual nature when made by a member of the school staff to a student or when made by any student to another student when: (1) submission to such conduct is made, explicitly or

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implicitly, a term or condition of the individual's education; (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for academic decisions affecting that individual; or (3) such conduct has the purpose or effect of interfering with an individual's academic or professional performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive academic environment.

Sexual harassment may result from verbal or physical conduct or written or graphic material. Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to: verbal harassment or abuse; pressure for sexual activity; repeated remarks to a person, with sexual or demeaning implication; unwelcome touching; or suggesting or demanding sexual involvement accompanied by implied or explicit threats concerning a student's grades, participation in extra-curricular activities, etc.

The district encourages all victims of sexual harassment and persons with knowledge of such harassment to report the harassment immediately. The district will promptly investigate all complaints of sexual harassment and take prompt corrective action to end the harassment.

Any student who believes that he or she has been subjected to sexual harassment should discuss the alleged harassment with the building principal, another administrator, the guidance counselor, or another certified staff member. Any school employee who receives a complaint of sexual harassment from a student shall inform the student of the employee's obligation to report the complaint and any proposed resolution of the complaint to the building

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principal. If the building principal is the alleged harasser, the complaint shall be reported to the district compliance coordinator. The building principal or district compliance coordinator shall discuss the complaint with the student to determine if it can be resolved. If the matter is not resolved to the satisfaction of the student in this meeting, the student may initiate a formal complaint under the district's discrimination complaint procedure in policy KN.

Complaints received will be investigated to determine whether, under the totality of the circumstances, the alleged behavior constitutes sexual harassment under the definition outlined above. Unacceptable student conduct may or may not constitute sexual harassment, depending on the nature of the conduct and its severity, pervasiveness and persistence. Behaviors which are unacceptable but do not constitute harassment may provide grounds for discipline under the code of student conduct.

If discrimination or harassment has occurred, the district will take prompt, remedial action to prevent its reoccurrence.

An employee who witnesses an act of sexual harassment shall report the incident to the building principal. Employees who fail to report complaints or incidents of sexual harassment to appropriate school officials may face disciplinary action. School administrators who fail to investigate and take appropriate corrective action in response to complaints of sexual harassment may also face disciplinary action.

When a complaint contains evidence of criminal activity or child abuse, the building coordinator or district coordinator shall report such conduct to the appropriate law enforcement or DCF authorities.

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To the extent possible, confidentiality will be maintained throughout the investigation of a complaint. The desire for confidentiality must be balanced with the district's obligation to conduct a thorough investigation, to take appropriate corrective action or to provide due process to the accused.

The filing of a complaint or otherwise reporting sexual harassment shall not reflect upon the individual's status or grades. Any act of retaliation or discrimination against any person who has filed a complaint or testified, assisted, or participated in any investigation, proceeding, or hearing involving a sexual harassment complaint is prohibited. Any person who retaliates is subject to immediate disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion for a student or termination of employment for an employee.

False or malicious complaints of sexual harassment may result in corrective or disciplinary action against the complainant.

A summary of this policy shall be posted in each district facility and shall be published in student handbooks and on the district's website as directed by the district compliance coordinator. Notification of the policy shall be included in the school newsletter or published in the local newspaper annually.

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JGECA **Racial and Disability Harassment** **JGECA**
(See GAACA, GAAB, GAF, JDDC and KN)

The board of education is committed to providing a positive and productive learning and working environment, free from discrimination, including harassment, on the basis of race, color, national origin, or disability. Discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, color, or national origin ("racial harassment") or on the basis of disability ("disability harassment") shall not be tolerated in the school district. Racial or disability harassment of employees or students of the district by board members, administrators, certificated and support personnel, students, vendors, and any others having business or other contact with the school district is strictly prohibited.

Racial harassment is unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin under Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Kansas Acts Against Discrimination. Disability harassment is unlawful discrimination on the basis of disability under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act. All forms of racial or disability harassment are prohibited at school, on school property, and at all school-sponsored activities, programs or events. Racial or disability harassment against individuals associated with the school is prohibited, whether or not the harassment occurs on school grounds.

It shall be a violation of this policy for any student, employee, or third party (visitor, vendor, etc.) to so harass any student, employee or other individual associated with the school. It shall further be a violation for any employee to discourage a student from filing a complaint, or to fail to investigate or refer for investigation, any complaint lodged under the provisions of this policy.

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Prohibited conduct under this policy includes racially or disability-motivated conduct which:

- Affords a student different treatment, solely on the basis of race, color, national origin, or disability, in a manner which interferes with or limits the ability of the student to participate in or benefit from the services, activities or programs of the school;
- Is sufficiently severe, pervasive or persistent so as to have the purpose or effect of creating a hostile academic environment; or
- Is sufficiently severe, pervasive or persistent so as to have the purpose or effect of interfering with a student's academic performance or ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities or programs of the school.

Racial or disability harassment may result from verbal or physical conduct or written graphic material.

The district encourages all victims of racial or disability harassment and persons with knowledge of such harassment to report the harassment immediately. The district will promptly investigate all complaints of racial or disability harassment and take prompt corrective action to end the harassment.

Any student who believes he or she has been subject to racial or disability harassment or has witnessed an act of alleged racial or disability harassment, should discuss the alleged harassment with the building principal, another administrator, the guidance counselor, or another certified staff member. Any school employee who receives a complaint of racial or disability harassment from a student shall inform the student of the employee's obligation to report the complaint and any proposed resolution of the complaint to the building principal. If the building principal is the alleged harasser, the complaint shall be reported to the district compliance coordinator. The building principal shall discuss the

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complaint with the student to determine if it can be resolved. If the matter is not resolved to the satisfaction of the student in this meeting, the student may initiate a formal complaint under the district's discrimination complaint procedure in policy KN.

Complaints received will be investigated to determine whether, under the totality of the circumstances, the alleged behavior constitutes racial or disability harassment under the definition outlined above. Unacceptable student conduct may or may not constitute racial or disability harassment, depending on the nature of the conduct and its severity, pervasiveness and persistence. Behaviors which are unacceptable but do not constitute harassment may provide grounds for discipline under the code of student conduct. The discipline of a student for violation of any provision of the code of student conduct may be enhanced if the conduct is racially or disability motivated.

If discrimination or harassment has occurred, the district will take prompt, remedial action to prevent its reoccurrence.

An employee who witnesses an act of racial or disability harassment shall report the incident to the building principal. Employees who fail to report complaints or incidents of racial or disability harassment to appropriate school officials may face disciplinary action. School administrators who fail to investigate and take appropriate corrective action in response to complaints of racial or disability harassment may also face disciplinary action.

When a complaint contains evidence of criminal activity or child abuse, the compliance coordinator shall report such conduct to the appropriate law enforcement or DCF authorities.

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To the extent possible confidentiality will be maintained throughout the investigation of a complaint. The desire for confidentiality must be balanced with the district's obligation to conduct a thorough investigation, to take appropriate corrective action or to provide due process to the accused.

The filing of a complaint or otherwise reporting racial or disability harassment shall not reflect upon the student's status or grades. Any act of retaliation or discrimination against any person who has filed a complaint or testified, assisted, or participated in any investigation, proceeding, or hearing involving a racial or disability harassment complaint is prohibited. Any person who retaliates is subject to immediate disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion for a student or termination of employment for an employee.

False or malicious complaints of racial or disability harassment may result in corrective or disciplinary action against the complainant.

A summary of this policy shall be posted in each district facility and shall be published in student handbooks and on the district's website as directed by the district compliance coordinator. Notification of the policy shall be included in the school newsletter or published in the local newspaper annually, if applicable.

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JGFB **Supervision of Students** **JGFB**

Students shall be supervised by school personnel when they are under the jurisdiction of the school.

Each building principal shall coordinate and assign teachers, aides or paraprofessionals to supervise students engaged in school sponsored activities. All school-sponsored activities shall be supervised by an adult approved by the administration.

Each building principal shall ensure appropriate staff members are available for supervising students at specific times and in designated areas. (See GAO)

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JGFF Student Transportation Regulation (See JGG) **JGFF**

Use of Vehicles and Bicycles

The superintendent shall develop procedures regulating the driving, parking, and use of vehicles and the use and parking of bicycles during the school day. Failure to observe district regulations may result in disciplinary action.

Rules and regulations concerning use of vehicles and bicycles on school property shall be approved by the board and shall be included in the student handbook.

Walkers

Students who walk to and from school are urged to become familiar with traffic safety laws governing such activities, to be alert to their surroundings, and to exercise caution while crossing streets in high traffic areas.

Notice

At the beginning of each school year, district staff will provide students with appropriate notice of the rules and regulations pertinent to this policy.

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JGFG **Student Accidents and Health Emergencies** **JGFG**

When a staff member becomes aware that a student has been involved in an accident or is in need of emergency care at school, on school property, or at a school-sponsored activity, the staff member shall follow the rules for the care of an injured student and shall report the accident to the building principal. If a student has an accident which appears to require medical treatment, an employee shall send for medical help and try to make the student as comfortable as possible while waiting for medical assistance to arrive.

When appropriate, the student's parent(s) shall be notified of the student's condition as soon as possible to determine appropriate action. If the student needs medical attention, and the parents cannot be reached, the principal shall seek emergency medical treatment.

Emergency Care

At the scene of an emergency or accident when medical help is not readily available to assist in the care of an injured student, an employee may render emergency care or assistance, including, but not limited to, first aid, as deemed reasonably necessary until medical help arrives. Kansas law provides protection from civil liability for any person who, in good faith and without compensation, renders emergency care or assistance to any person, including a minor without first obtaining the consent of the parent or guardian of such minor, at the scene of an emergency or accident. However, this protection does not extend to individuals whose acts or omissions in rendering emergency care in these circumstances were grossly or wantonly negligent.

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Records

Appropriate records documenting student accidents shall be maintained.

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JGFGB **Supervision of Medications (See JGFGBA)** **JGFGB**

The supervision of medications shall be in strict compliance with the rules and regulations of the board as carried out by district personnel. Diagnosis and treatment of illness and the prescribing of drugs and medicines are not the responsibility of the public schools and are not to be practiced by any school personnel, including school nurses, unless authorized.

In certain circumstances when medication is necessary in order that the student remain in school, the school may cooperate with parents in the supervision of medication that the student will use. However, the medical person authorized to prescribe medication or the parent if it is a non-prescription medication must send a written order to the building administrator who may supervise the administration of the medication or treatment. The parents must submit a written request to the building administrator requesting the school's cooperation in such supervision and releasing the school district and personnel from liability. (See JGFGBA)

School personnel shall not be required to be custodians of any medication except as required by a written order of a licensed medical person or in the case of nonprescription medication when requested in writing by the parents.

The medication shall be examined by the school employee administering it to determine that it appears to be in the original container, to be properly labeled, and to be properly authorized by the written order of licensed medical person. Two containers, one for home and one for school, should be requested from the pharmacist.

Any changes in type of drugs, dosage, and/or time of administration should be accompanied by updated physician and parent permission signatures and a newly labeled pharmacy container.

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All medication maintained in the school setting should be kept in a locked container. This includes medication requiring refrigeration.

Medications should be inventoried every semester. Out-of-date stock should be returned to parent or destroyed.

Over-the-counter medications should not be maintained on any school premises, including athletic areas, unless written parent permission to administer is obtained.

The building administrator may choose to discontinue the administration of medication provided that the parents or medical person are notified in advance of the date and the reasons for the discontinuance.

After medication is administered, students should be observed for possible reactions to the medication. This observation may occur at the site of administration or in the classroom as a part of the normal routine.

This policy shall be shared with all local physicians and dentists where practicable. Forms should also be made available to the health care providers in the community.

An individual record should be kept of each medication administered. The record should include student identification, date prescribed, name of medication, time and date(s) administered, signature of person administering and section for comments.

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In the administration of medication, the school employee shall not be deemed to have assumed any legal responsibility other than acting as a duly authorized employee of the school district.

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JGFGBA **Student Self-Administration of Medications** **JGFGBA**
(See JGFGB)

The self-administration of medication is allowed for eligible students in grades K–12. As used in this policy, medication includes, but is not limited to, a medicine for the treatment of anaphylaxis or asthma listed in current federal regulation as an inhaled bronchodilator or auto-injectable epinephrine. Self-administration is the student's discretionary use of an approved medication for which the student has a prescription or written direction from a health care provider or written parental authorization on file in the school office for over-the counter medications. Self-administration of medication at a dosage or rate exceeding product label instructions may result in denial of privilege to self-administer medications and/or disciplinary action as appropriate.

As used in this policy health care provider means a physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery; an advanced registered nurse practitioner, or a licensed physician assistant who has authority to prescribe drugs under the supervision of a responsible physician.

Student Eligibility

An eligible student shall meet all the following requirements:

- Have a written statement from the student's health care provider stating the name and purpose of any prescription medication/s or written authorization from the student's parent for use of over-the-counter medication/s;
- Know the prescribed or recommended dosage;
- Know the time the medication is to be regularly administered;
- Be able to articulate any additional special circumstances under which the medication is to be administered;
- Know the length of time for which the medication is prescribed;
- The student shall also demonstrate to the health care provider or the provider's designee, as applicable, and the school nurse or the nurse's designee the skill level necessary to use the medication and any device that is necessary to administer the medication. In the absence of a school nurse, the school shall designate a person who is trained to witness the demonstration.

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Authorization Required

With regard to prescription medications which are not administered on a regular schedule, the student's health care provider shall prepare a written treatment plan for managing the student's condition, such as asthma attacks or anaphylaxis episodes, and for medication use by the student during school hours. The student's parent or guardian shall annually complete and submit to the school any written documentation required by the school, including the treatment plan prepared by the student's health care provider. Permission forms shall be updated **during enrollment or as needed.**

Employee Immunity

All teachers responsible for the student's supervision shall be notified that permission to carry medications and self-administer has been granted. The school district shall provide written notification to the parent or guardian of a student that the school district and its officers, employees, and agents are not liable for damage, injury, or death resulting directly or indirectly from the self-administration of medication.

Waiver of Liability

The student's parent or guardian shall sign a statement acknowledging that the school district and its officers, employees, or agents incur no liability for damage, injury, or death resulting directly or indirectly from the self-administration of medication and agreeing to release, indemnify, and hold the district and its officers, employees, and agents, harmless from and against any claims relating to the self-administration of medication allowed by this policy.

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Additional Requirements for Students Prone to Specified Emergencies

- The school district shall require that any back-up medication provided by the student's parent or guardian be kept at the student's school in a location to which the student has immediate access if there is an asthma or anaphylaxis emergency;

- The school district shall require that all necessary and pertinent information be kept on file at the student's school in a location easily accessible if there is an asthma or anaphylaxis emergency;

- Eligible students shall be allowed to possess and use approved medications at any place where the student is subject to the jurisdiction or supervision or the school district, its officers, employees, or agents;

- The board may adopt policy or handbook language which imposes additional requirements relating to the self-administration of medication allowed for in this policy and may establish a procedure for, and the conditions under which, the authorization for student self-administration of medication may be revoked.

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JGFGBB Accommodating Students with Diabetes JGFGBB

As used in this policy, diabetes management and treatment plan means a plan prepared and implemented for a student with diabetes which is prescribed by a physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery; a certified, advanced registered nurse practitioner who has authority to prescribe drugs; or a licensed physician assistant who has authority to prescribe drugs pursuant to a written protocol with a responsible physician.

Student Eligibility - Self-care of diabetes may be allowed for students in grades K-12. To be eligible, a student shall meet all requirements of this policy.

Parents or guardians shall submit a written diabetes management and treatment plan from the student's health care provider.

The student shall provide written authorization from the student's health care provider and parent or guardian stating the student has been instructed on managing and caring for their diabetes and is authorized to do so in school. An annual written renewal of parental authorization for the self-care of diabetes shall be required.

While at school, each student capable of managing and caring for the student's diabetes will be allowed to:

- Perform blood glucose level check,
- Administer insulin through the delivery system the student uses,
- Treat hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia,
- Possess the supplies or equipment necessary to monitor and care for their diabetes, and
- Otherwise attend to the management and care of the student's diabetes in the classroom, in any area of the school, on school grounds, or at any school-related activity.

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Notwithstanding the above, the district reserves the right to put reasonable place and manner procedural safeguards in place for the safe and non-disruptive exercise of such rights by students with diabetes.

Employee Immunity

The board and its employees and agents, who authorize the self-administration of medication and treatment for diabetes in compliance with the provision of this policy, shall not be liable in any action for any injury resulting from the self-administration of medication. The district shall provide written notification to the parent or guardian of a student for whom this policy is applicable that the board and its employees and agents are not liable for any injury resulting from the self-administration of medication. The parent or guardian shall sign such notice and acknowledge that the district incurs no liability for any injury resulting from the self-administration of medication and agrees to indemnify and hold the board and its employees and agents harmless against any claims relating to the self-administration of medication pursuant to this policy.

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JGG Transportation **JGG**

Bus transportation shall be provided to and from school for those students who qualify. Transportation may be provided by the district for all school activities. Transportation may be denied to students who are detained after school for disciplinary reasons.

Students who use school-provided transportation shall be under the jurisdiction of the vehicle driver while in the vehicle. Students shall be subject to the district's student behavior code and other regulations developed by the superintendent and approved by the board.

Bus drivers shall report violations of the rules to the building principal who may discipline students. The principal may suspend or revoke the transportation privilege of a student who violates any rule or regulation.

When the district provides transportation to an activity, participating students are prohibited from driving personal automobiles to and from district-sponsored activities held during or after the school day unless authorized in writing by the student's parent or guardian.

All rules shall be published in the student handbook.

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JGGA **Use of Surveillance Cameras** (See CN and JR et seq) **JGGA**

The district may use surveillance cameras to monitor student activity.

Surveillance cameras may be used to monitor students riding in district vehicles and to monitor student behavior in or around any district facility.

Surveillance footage which is a record of student behavior shall be secured in a secure location until the digital storage mechanism or tape on which the footage is maintained is either reused or erased. Surveillance footage of personally identifiable students depicting their involvement in an altercation or other violation of law or district policy shall be considered a student record and shall be subject to current law for the release of student record information.

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JGH School Food Service Programs JGH

The district shall provide a school food service program. Food service rules shall be published in student handbooks. Building principals shall develop individual building rules.

Free or Reduced Price Meals

Free or reduced price meals shall be provided for students who qualify under state and federal rules and regulations.

The eligibility forms, rules and regulations governing this program shall be provided by the administration to students or their parents.

Contracts With Other Agencies

The board may enter into contracts with the governing authority of any nonpublic school or any child-care institution to provide meals for children who attend these institutions. The board may also contract for meal service with any municipality, any state university or any corporation whose operations are substantially controlled by a state university. Contracts shall provide for payment of the costs incurred by the district to provide the service. Income received by the district under any contract to provide this service shall be deposited in the district food service fund and may be expended whether budgeted or not.

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JGHB **Vending Machines and Other Automated Play Machines** **JGHB**
(See DK and JGCA)

No vending machine or play machine may be placed in any building without prior approval of the superintendent.

Vending machine foods and beverages available for sale to students will comply with established federal nutrition standards and guidance on snacks in school.

Advertising associated with product vending will be limited to signage on equipment, paper cups and other serving containers, and will promote a positive nutrition message.

The building principal shall manage the machine(s). A monthly report shall be prepared by each principal showing all receipts and expenditures for each machine. Proceeds from machines shall be deposited in the appropriate activity account.

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JH – Student Activities (Also see DK, JGFB, JM and KG) JH

The principal shall be responsible for organizing and approving all student activities. All school-sponsored activities shall be supervised by an adult approved by the administration.

Eligibility for Activities - Students who participate in any school activity shall meet the following requirements:

- all applicable KSHSAA regulations;
- academic eligibility requirements noted in handbooks; and
- other requirements requested by the administration and approved by the board.

Adding or Eliminating Activities - Administrative recommendations to add or eliminate specific activities may be considered by the board. Individual patrons or groups of patrons may request the addition or elimination of activities using rules approved by the board and filed with the clerk.

Activity Fund Management - The building principals shall maintain an accurate record of all student activity funds in the respective attendance centers. A monthly report to the board of the revenue and expenditures of the activity fund shall be made. No funds shall be expended from these accounts except in the support of the student activity program.

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JH – Student Activities (Also see DK, JGFB, JM and KG) JH

Receipts shall be issued for all revenue taken into the activity fund of each attendance center. All payments from the activity fund shall be by checks provided for that purpose.

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JHC Student Organizations JHC

Students may form clubs and other groups organized to promote or pursue specialized activities outside the regular classroom. Membership in student organizations, whether school sponsored or non-school sponsored, must be open to all interested and eligible students. The building principal and the board shall approve school sponsored student organizations, and a staff member shall attend the meetings or activities to supervise use of the facilities by all student organizations as an advisor or supervisor.

Student Clubs - The administrator shall establish regulations for the operation of school sponsored clubs, and for the use of school facilities by non-school-sponsored clubs.

School sponsored clubs shall be under the direct control of school personnel. Every school sponsored club shall have a constitution which has been approved by the building principal and filed in the school office. If non-curriculum related school sponsored clubs are allowed to meet on school property during non-instructional time, then non-school sponsored student clubs may also meet on school property at such times.

Non-School Sponsored Student Clubs - Non-school sponsored clubs shall submit a request for use of school facilities prior to using the facilities. A faculty member (or other adult approved in advance) shall attend the meetings as a supervisor but may not participate in the group's activities.

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Student Government - Student councils under the direct control of the building principal or designated faculty representative may be established. Student councils may exercise only the authority expressly delegated to them by the building principal.

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School-Sponsored Student Publications

School-sponsored student publications shall be under the supervision of the building principal or designated faculty representative.

Students who have facts and opinions should be allowed to express them in print as well as through oral communications. However, student editors and writers must observe the same legal responsibilities as those imposed upon conventional newspapers and communication media. No student shall distribute any school publication which:

- Is obscene according to current legal definitions;
- Is libelous according to current legal definitions; or
- Creates a material or substantial interference with normal school activity or with appropriate discipline in the operation of the school.

Student publications which are not libelous, disruptive or obscene may be distributed on school property during school hours at times and in areas designated by the building principal.

If a decision to disapprove distribution of a publication is made, the principal shall state reasons for the decision to the student(s).

If the student is dissatisfied with the principal's decision, the student may appeal the decision to the superintendent.

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Non-School Sponsored Student Publications

Non-school sponsored student publications may be distributed on school property at times and in areas designated by the building principal. Distribution of any non-school-sponsored publication may be halted if the material is obscene, libelous, creates a material or substantial disruption of normal school activity, or interferes with the operation of the school. Distribution in violation of this policy may result in suspension, expulsion, or other discipline of the students involved.

Advertisements

Ads concerning illegal drugs, any controlled substances, or any illegal activity are prohibited in school sponsored publications.

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JHCAA **Gang Activity** **JHCAA**

Gang activities which threaten the safety or well-being of persons or property on school grounds or at school activities, or which disrupt the school environment are prohibited.

The superintendent shall establish procedures and regulations for disciplinary action to be taken against any student wearing, carrying, or displaying gang paraphernalia, or exhibiting behavior or gestures which symbolize gang membership, or causing and/or participating in gang-related activities. (See JCAC, JCDA, JCDBB and JDD)

District staff may be provided in-service training in gang behavior and characteristics to facilitate identification of students involved in gang activities.

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JI Community Activities JI

Students shall not participate in any community activities during school hours without the prior permission of the principal, unless those activities are undertaken as part of a course's approved curriculum.

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JJ Employment of Students JJ

In-School Employment

Students may be employed by the district. The district shall not employ students in hazardous jobs.

Outside Employment

A student who needs to work on a regular basis during the school day shall file a written request with the principal. If the request is approved, the student shall file a work schedule with the principal. Changes in the schedule shall be reported by the student to the principal. The student shall not begin the new schedule unless the change is approved by the principal.

Vocational or Other Work Experience

A student who works in a board-approved vocational or other work-experience program shall have a schedule developed cooperatively by the employer and the supervising teacher and approved by the principal prior to beginning the work activity.

All board policies remain applicable to students participating in vocational or other work experience programs.

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JK Solicitations JK

Commercial firms shall not be permitted to solicit students during school hours or on school property without prior approval of the administration.

Solicitations by students of students during school hours and on school property shall be done only when they are related to school sponsored activities. All student sales projects shall require the principal's prior approval.

Representatives from commercial schools, colleges, armed forces or other agencies shall be permitted to meet with students only by permission of the principal. Student contact by these organizations shall be arranged for and supervised by the guidance office. (See KI)

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JL **Gifts** (See GAJ, KH) **JL**

The giving of gifts between students and staff members is discouraged.

Student Gifts to Staff Members

Students shall be allowed to collect money or purchase gifts for faculty members with the principal's approval.

Faculty Gifts to Students

A gift by a faculty member to an individual student or to classes of students during school hours or on school property shall require prior approval of the principal.

Student Organization Gifts to the School

Student organizations, with prior approval of the organization sponsor and building principal, may donate a portion of the organization's funds to the district. These donations shall require prior board approval.

A gift is defined as any donation, present or endowment in the form of cash, merchandise or personal favor.

Any student organization gift to the district shall become district property when accepted by the board.

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JM Contests for Students JM

No student shall enter any contest as a school representative unless the contest is approved by the KSHSAA or by the administration. (See JH)

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JN Awards **JN**

Awards for participation in interscholastic activities shall be limited to those approved by the KSHSAA.

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JQ – Exceptional Students (Also see IDCE and JBE)

All programs for exceptional students shall be managed in accordance with the local plans for exceptional students, the policy and rules of the local board, and the rules and regulations of the state board of education.

Concurrent Enrollment

A student enrolled in grades 10, 11, or 12, or a gifted child in grades 9 through 12 who has demonstrated the ability to benefit from participation in the regular curricula of eligible postsecondary education institutions, may apply to the principal for permission to enroll at an eligible postsecondary education institution.

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JQA Temporarily Disabled Students (See IDACB and JGFGBA) JQA

Students who are temporarily disabled by illness, operation, or accident authenticated by a health care provider's order, may be eligible for alternative educational services or accommodations in their regular program which allow for meaningful participation in the program.

Students with injuries which prohibit participation in physical education or other classes shall present to the building principal a health care provider's statement prohibiting such activity.

Teachers shall follow medical instructions relating to limitations on the student's participation, and shall either provide alternative methods for the student to earn a credit/grade in the class during the period of the disability or contact the district 504 coordinator for consideration of an evaluation under Section 504.

For the purposes of this policy, health care provider shall have the meaning subscribed to it in board policy JGFGBA.

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JQE **Alternative Arrangements** **JQE**

Married students, pregnant students, and students who are parents shall have access to the same educational opportunities, services, and extracurricular activities provided to other students.

A pregnant student may be required to provide a health care provider's release to be allowed to participate in school activities which could pose a health or safety risk.

If there is a delay in obtaining a health care provider's release, in the student's best interest, the administration may deny activity participation until the release is made available.

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JQI Adult Students JQI

Adult students who have not graduated from high school are encouraged to attend high school classes.

Adult Education/Community Education

Community education classes may be organized and administered by the superintendent of schools as the need arises.

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JQKA **Foreign Exchange Students** **JQKA**

Foreign exchange students from approved organizations shall be admitted to the district on a tuition-free basis. Other foreign exchange students who meet residency requirements may be allowed to enroll in the district under rules established by the board. Students who enter the country on an F-1 visa shall pre-pay tuition equal to the current cost per pupil as calculated by the State Department of Education. (See JBC)

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JQL Hearing Procedures for Exceptional Students JQL

A hearing procedure shall be available to parents or guardians of exceptional students according to state board of education regulations, the state special education plan, locally adopted procedures, and applicable laws.

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JQLA **Class-size/Caseload Limits for Exceptional Students** **JQLA**

The superintendent shall develop and review periodically class-size/caseload limits for students with exceptionalities.

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JR **Student Records** **JR**

(See BCBK, CN, CNA, ECA, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KBA)

All student records shall be treated as confidential and primarily for local school use unless otherwise stipulated. Access to student records, excluding student data submitted to or maintained in a statewide longitudinal data system in accordance with board policy IDAE, shall be permitted as set forth in board policies JR and JRB.

When records include information on more than one student, the parents/guardians of any student shall have access to copies of that part of the record that pertains to their child. Each school shall establish procedures for the granting of a request by parents/guardians for access to their child's school records within a reasonable period of time, but in no case more than 45 days after the request has been made.

In situations where the parents of a student are divorced or separated, each parent, custodial and/or non-custodial, shall have equal rights to their child's records unless a court order specifies otherwise. Private agreements between the student's parents shall not be recognized by the district's personnel.

Parents/guardians shall have an opportunity for a hearing to challenge the content of their child's school records to ensure that the records are not inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the privacy or other rights of students; to have an opportunity for the correction or deletion of any inaccurate, misleading or otherwise inappropriate data contained therein; and to insert into records the parent's/guardian's written explanation of the content of the records

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Any eligible parent/guardian or student may inspect the personal records of the student during regular school office hours. The district reserves the right to interpret selected records to students and/or parent/guardians at the time of the inspection.

When a student attains 18 years of age, the permission or consent required of and the rights accorded to the parents of the student shall thereafter only be required of and accorded to the student.

The parents/guardians of students, or the students if they are 18 years of age or older shall be informed annually by the superintendent of the rights accorded them by this section and by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. In addition, the public shall be informed annually by the superintendent of the categories of information the institution has determined to be directory information.

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JRA Types of Records JRA

Permanent Student Records: Each school shall permanently retain records relating to each student's academic performance, attendance and activities. Information about students collected and stored by any school personnel shall be separated into one of the following classifications:

Administrative records: official administrative records that constitute the minimum personal information necessary for operating the educational system. It shall include birth date, sex, race, names, telephone numbers, addresses and places of employment of parents, academic work completed, grades, attendance records, withdrawal and reentry records, honors and activities, date of graduation and follow-up records of a student.

Supplementary records: verified information important in operating the educational system but is of a more sensitive nature and of less historical importance. It includes: test data, such as scores on standardized achievement, aptitude and intelligence tests; observational data such as systematically gathered teacher or counselor evaluations and observations of social and personal assets; clinical findings and verified reports of serious or recurrent deviant behavior patterns; general data such as health data, family background information and educational and vocational plans.

Tentative records: useful information that has not been verified or is not clearly needed beyond the immediate present. It includes unevaluated re-ports of teachers or counselors that may be needed in ongoing counseling or disciplinary actions.

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JRB **Release of Student Records** **JRB**

(See BCBK, CN, CNA, ECA, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KBA)

Individual student files are not available for public inspection. Except as provided in IDAE with regard to student records which are student data submitted to or maintained in a statewide longitudinal data system, the custodian of student records shall disclose the student's educational records only as provided for in this policy.

Directory Information

Annual notice shall be given to parents and eligible students concerning their rights with regard to student records. In addition, the custodian of the educational records shall give annual public notice of the class of records the institution has designated as directory information and of the right of the parent or eligible student to opt-out of the release of directory information without prior written consent. The appropriate forms for providing notice shall be on file in the office of the custodian of the educational records.

After giving notice and allowing a reasonable period of time for parents or eligible students to inform the district that any or all of the directory information should not be released without prior written consent, the custodian of records may make directory information available without parental or eligible student's consent.

The custodian of records shall make student recruiting information (including student name, address, and telephone listing) available to military recruiters and postsecondary institutions unless parents or eligible students provide a written request to the district providing that the specified information not be released without prior written consent. Notice of the option to opt-out of the release of recruitment information shall be provided to parents and eligible students in the district's annual notice of rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

For the purposes of this policy, school official means teacher, administrator, other certified employee or board of education. The district may disclose, without the parents or eligible students' consent, personally identifiable information to school officials with a legitimate educational interest. A school official is a person employed by the school as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support-staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); the school board (in executive session); a person or company with whom the school has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

The custodian may disclose students' education records to the following persons without the prior consent of the parents:

- Other school officials, including teachers within the district who have legitimate educational interests;
- Officials of other schools or school systems in which the student intends to enroll. The school district will forward student records to such institutions without further notice to the parents or eligible student when the disclosure is initiated by a parent or eligible student or an annual notice provided to parents and eligible students by the district informs them that such records will be automatically disclosed to these institutions for the purposes of enrollment or transfer of the student;
- Authorized persons to whom a student has applied for or from whom a student has received financial aid;
- State and local officials or authorities to whom such information is specifically required to be reported or disclosed pursuant to state statutes;
- Organizations conducting studies for educational agencies for the purpose of developing, validating or administering student tests or programs;
- Accrediting organizations;

- Parents of a student 18 years of age if parents claim the student as a dependent for income tax purposes;
- Appropriate persons if knowledge of any information is necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or other persons in an emergency;
- An agency caseworker or representative of a state or local child welfare agency or tribal organization who has the right to access a student's case plan when such agency or organization is legally responsible for the care and protection of the student and when any further disclosure of such information thereby will be limited in accordance with law; and
- In compliance with a lawfully issued subpoena or judicial order.

Access will be granted to any third party upon written authorization of the eligible student, parent or guardian.

No personally identifiable information contained in personal school records shall be furnished to any person other than those named herein. When there is written instruction from the student's parents, guardian or the eligible student specifying the records, the reasons and the person(s) to whom the release is to be made, a copy of the records to be released shall be made available to the student, parents or guardian upon request. When information is requested in compliance with a judicial order or pursuant to any lawfully issued subpoena, parent(s)/guardian and the student shall be notified of the orders or subpoenas in advance of compliance with the order or subpoena unless:

- the order or subpoena specifically forbids such disclosure; or
- the order is issued in the context of a court proceeding where a parent is a party and the proceeding involves child abuse and neglect or dependency matters.

Nothing contained in this policy shall preclude authorized representatives of the Comptroller General of the United States, the Secretary and an administrative head of an educational agency or state authorities from having access to student or other records which may be necessary in connection with the audit and evaluation of federally supported education programs or the enforcement of the federal legal requirements which relate to these programs.

The data collection by such official with respect to individual students shall not include information (including social security numbers) which would permit the personal identification of students or their parents or guardian on the data collected and provided.

All persons, agencies or organizations desiring access to the records of a student shall be required to sign a form, which shall be kept permanently with the student's file, but only for inspection by the parents/guardian, the student or a school official responsible for record maintenance. The form signed shall indicate the specific educational or other interest of each person, agency or organization has in seeking this information.

Personal information shall be transferred to a third party only on the condition that such party shall not permit any other party to have access to such information without the written consent of the student's parents or the eligible student. The board and staff shall protect the rights of privacy of students and their families in connection with any surveys or data-gathering activities conducted, assisted or authorized by the board or administration.

Regulations established under this policy shall include provisions controlling the use, dissemination and protection of such data.

Forwarding Pupil Records

Administrators shall forward student's school records upon request and may not withhold them for any reason.

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JRC **Disposition of Records** (See JRA and JRB) **JRC**

All student records will be maintained and screened periodically.

Administrative records shall be permanent records and maintained by the school for an indefinite period of time. When the student graduates, supplementary records shall be destroyed or shall be transferred to the administrative records if they have permanent usefulness. Tentative records shall be destroyed when the use for which they were collected is ended. However, tentative records may be placed in the supplementary classification if the continuing usefulness of the information is demonstrated and its validity verified.

The official custodian shall review a student's records when the student moves from elementary to a middle school or junior high, from a middle school or junior high to high school and upon high school graduation. During each review obsolete or unnecessary information shall be removed and destroyed.

Following a reasonable amount of time after a student has graduated or ceases to attend school in the district, the records of the student that are determined to be appropriate for retention may be stored electronically.

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JRD **Hearing Request** **JRD**

When a hearing has been requested by a parent, guardian or an eligible student to challenge the content of the student's education record, the procedure to be followed in the hearing shall be:

The hearing shall be conducted and the decision rendered by a person who does not have a direct interest in the hearing outcome.

The parent, guardian or eligible student shall be given notice of the date, place and time of the hearing within a reasonable time in advance of the hearing.

The parent, guardian or the eligible student may be assisted or represented by individuals of their choice at their own expense, including an attorney. Parents, guardian or the eligible student shall be afforded a full and fair opportunity to present relevant evidence.

A written decision shall be rendered within a reasonable time after the hearing concludes. The decision of the hearing official shall be based solely upon the evidence presented at the hearing and include a summary of the evidence and the reasons for the decision.

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JS Student Fees and Charges JS

Building principals shall be authorized to collect fees approved by the board or to seek restitution for any school property lost, damaged or destroyed by a student.

Credit Card Payments

Credit and debit cards may be accepted to pay fees, fines, and charges due the district. A fee may be collected to cover costs of accepting credit or debit cards.

Fee Schedules

The superintendent shall distribute a schedule of enrollment fees and other fees approved in advance by the board to all building principals. The fee schedule shall include:

- A list of all items for which a charge is to be collected;
- The amount of each charge;
- The date due;
- Classifications of students exempt from the fee or charge;
- A system for accounting for and disposing of fees; and
- An appeal procedure to be used by students or parents to claim exemption from paying the fees or charges.

Debt Collection

Building principals shall attempt to collect unpaid fees and the justifiable value owed by a student of school property lost, damaged, or destroyed by a student. If, after the attempt to collect, the amount remains unpaid, the principal shall report the matter to the superintendent who shall consult with the school board's attorney, and they shall jointly recommend a course of action to the board.

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KA **Goals and Objectives** (See IB) **KA**

The goal of educational public relations is to facilitate a process of communication between the district and its internal and external publics. The public relations program is intended to develop better public understanding of the district's goals, objectives, accomplishments, and needs.

The community shall be informed about school functions and activities, the accreditation status of each school, and the progress of school improvement efforts. Patron involvement is encouraged.

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KB **Public Information Programs** **(See CEE, CEF, CG and KBA)** **KB**

The board shall keep the public informed about the school system's functions and operations.

Newsletters and other Media

The board may issue a patron newsletter. The superintendent shall be responsible for the content of the district newsletter and other district-sponsored media or publications.

The superintendent shall direct the dissemination of district information and report to the board as requested.

When approved by the principal, attendance center announcements or school-related information may be sent home with students.

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KBA **District or School Web Sites** (See KB,IIBG and ECH) **KBA**

The board may establish a district web site and may allow creation of web sites for individual schools. A district web site shall be under the control of the Superintendent and school web sites shall be supervised by the principal or Technology Coordinator.

Website Rules

Detailed rules relating to websites are found in appropriate handbooks or in documents approved by the board and filed with the clerk and/or principals.

Website rules shall include the following areas:

- data privacy and FERPA regulations;
- copyright rules, relating to access and use of materials and the property rights of the district, students, and employees who create material;
- instruction on what information and materials will be prominently posted on district and/or school homepages, which shall include, but may not be limited to, a copy of Kansas State Department of Education's Form 150 estimating the legal maximum general fund budget as well as the budget summary for the current school year and actual expenditures for the immediately preceding two school years showing total net dollars of transfers and dollars per pupil as specified in Kansas law, using the full-time equivalent enrollment of the school district for such required calculations;

- the board's and administration's right to determine website content and monitor use by employees and students.

District and school websites are maintained to support the public relations and educational programs of the district and/or the schools. Websites may be modified or terminated at any time by board action.

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Sample Handbook language / forms for DISTRICT USE AFTER BOARD APPROVAL

General Information

Student Privacy Rights (See JRB)

Identifiable student images shall not be posted on district or school websites without prior written permission from the student and, if under 18, the student's parent or guardian. The mailing address, telephone number or other personally identifiable information about any student shall not be posted on district or school web sites. All applicable requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) shall be followed.

Copyrighted Material Posted On Websites (See KBA)

Any original materials created by students are owned by those students. Original materials will not be posted on district or school web sites without prior written permission of the student who created the work. _____ (Webmaster/Principal, etc.) shall be in charge of monitoring permission to post copyrighted materials.

Software Copyright (See ECH)

Software acquired by staff using district or school web sites, and installed on district computers, must comply with copyright laws. Proof of purchase (copy or original) must be filed in the district office.

Downloading Copyrighted Materials (ECH)

Students and staff shall not download copyrighted materials without prior, written permission being obtained from the author or creator of the material in question. See ECH for “fair use exceptions” which may allow for limited use of copyrighted materials.

KBC Media Relations KBC

Upon presentation of proper credentials, media members on assignment will be admitted free of charge to all school extracurricular activities. To the extent possible, space will be provided at sporting and special events for members of the working media to cover extracurricular activities.

Broadcasting and Taping - The superintendent is authorized to establish rules and regulations for broadcasting and taping district activities.

The appropriate building principal shall be responsible for determining eligibility and issuing passes to press members on assignment to cover school events. Members of the broadcast media shall notify the superintendent prior to the event they wish to cover so arrangements may be made for their equipment.

News Releases - News and information concerning building events and programs may be released to the media with the approval of the principal. District news releases prepared for public distribution by district employees or students shall have the superintendent's approval prior to release. The superintendent shall, upon request, prepare official district news releases for the board.

Conferences and Interviews - News conferences and interviews shall be scheduled so they do not disrupt regular educational activities. Representatives of the news media seeking to interview a student during school hours must first have the principal's approval and permission from the student's parent or guardian.

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KCA Protection of Privacy Rights KCA

The superintendent, the board of education, and district staff shall protect the right of privacy of students and their families in connection with any surveys or physical examinations conducted, assisted, or authorized by the board or administration. The district shall provide parents notice of their rights under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment and the Student Data Privacy Act as required by law.

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KCB Custodial and Non-Custodial Parent Rights KCB

The district recognizes that parents often share caregiving and custody of their children and that parents, if not otherwise prohibited by court order, should have equal access to information regarding their child's school records.

Any parent may obtain copies of school information such as report cards and progress reports upon request to a child's principal, unless otherwise prohibited by law or court order.

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KDC **Solicitations** **KDC**

The board shall discourage all solicitations of and by staff members during regular school hours and at school-sponsored activities.

Agents, solicitors and salesmen shall not be permitted to take time of teachers or students from educational activities. The students and faculty of the district shall not promote commercial or private financial interests, either through direct sales or through promotion of competitive goods or services.

This rule applies to those activities, promotions and sales originating outside the school. Exception to this rule may be made as outlined below.

Materials and projects submitted for consideration under this rule must be made in writing to the superintendent. Requests will be considered in light of the proposal's direct contribution to the educational values in the school. Consideration shall be on the basis of unreasonably added work for staff members.

Any individuals or organizations violating the policy on solicitations shall be reported to the board by the superintendent. Violators may be denied further access to school premises by board action.

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KFD **School Volunteers** (See EBAA and IFC) **KFD**

School volunteers work under the school staff's direction with principal's approval.

School volunteers are bound by the policies, rules and regulations of the district, serve without financial compensation and are covered by workers' compensation.

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KG **Use of School Facilities by Community Groups** (See DFG and JH) **KG**

School facilities are provided by taxpayers of the district for the primary purpose of meeting the educational and fitness needs of students. School activities shall have first priority for facility use. When school facilities are not in use for school programs, they may be made available at reasonable times, rates and lengths of time to recognized community organizations whose activities are of general interest to the community. Curriculum and school related organizations, such as parent-teacher associations, shall have priority over non-school related organizations.

The board may allow use of school buildings and school grounds by community groups outside the school day. Use of any school facility or school grounds, however, shall not interfere with daily school use or any school-sponsored activity. Priority for facility use outside of the school day goes to use promoting student academic achievement. Notwithstanding the previous statement, the district shall provide equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups which are neither school sponsored nor co-curricular in nature.

Use in Accordance with Board Policies

As a condition to initial use of and continued access to district property and facilities, groups and/or organizations must follow Kansas law and board policy prohibiting the use of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco on district property and ensure individuals in attendance refrain from using such substances on district property as well. Failure to abide by this provision may result in a revocation of facility use privileges.

(See DFG and JH)

Fees and Rental Charges

The board shall establish reasonable fees and/or rental charges for the use of any school facility or school grounds; fees and/or rental charges will cover costs of wages of school personnel involved and utilities. The fee and/or rental charges shall be approved by the board and shall be reviewed annually.

Lease Arrangements

The board shall approve any lease arrangements.

Supervision of Non-School Groups

Whenever any school facility is used by non-school groups or individuals, a school employee may be on duty to see that the building and equipment are properly used. A school employee may not be required to be on duty when, in the principal's opinion, it is not necessary.

Insurance and/or Bonds

The board, through its duly authorized agent, reserves the right to require bonds (cash or otherwise), insurance, or other damage deposits, acceptable to the board before allowing use of the schools' facilities. Use is subject to limited access and availability. Any damages occurring during use will be billed to the individual and/or organization renting the facility.

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Facility Use Rules

Use of school facilities or school grounds by community groups may be allowed by the board on a temporary basis. Facility use fees are for use of the facilities equipped as is. Additional fees will be charged for pianos, chairs, projectors, public address systems, etc., not in the facility. No alteration to any facility shall be made by the renter or their personnel without the written permission of the superintendent.

The individual or group using the facility agrees to assume responsibility for care of the facility and agrees to pay for any damages to the facility, beyond normal wear, related to its use of the facility. In addition, the individual or group agrees to assume responsibility to ensure the use of tobacco, un-prescribed controlled substances or alcoholic beverages is not allowed in the facility, either by the individual, the group or other participants.

Payment for the use of a facility is to be made in advance. Additional charges may be assessed after the fact if the individual or group fails to abide by the agreement.

This policy shall be administered by the superintendent, or the superintendent's authorized designee, and the superintendent's decisions are subject to review by the board upon timely filing of a written protest with the clerk of the board.

Groups using the facilities for tournaments or large scale events are required to have a custodian on duty or to have a school employee on duty willing to accept the responsibility and risk of supervising the event.

Use of Facilities Fees

The USD 377 Board of Education recognizes there are groups and/or organizations within the district which are ongoing with primary goals of community betterment and providing varying degrees of services to district students.

Application for use of all buildings shall be made through the Central Office. A calendar shall be kept making it possible to check the availability of the facilities at any time.

There is no charge to recognized teacher or school personnel groups, school organizations or alumni groups holding class reunions. This includes outside school student groups who are involved in an educational purpose, such 4-H, Boy Scouts, etc.

All groups requesting use of school facilities will give consent (as indicated on the "Request for Building Reservation" form) for the Central Office to contact references and if required, submit a list of references for their group/organization.

Individual and commercial or civic groups will be charged a fee, depending upon the length of time and amount of building space used.

Normal fees are:

$35.00 per meeting at all centers

$35.00 for use of the kitchen

$150.00 for use of building all day long

Should the services of school personnel be required due to the nature of the use request, the charges will be based on the per hour rate for such additional employee. The charges for additional cook and/or custodial services are as follows:

$17 per hour for cook services (per cook)
$17 per hour for custodial services (per custodian)
$50 for custodial on-call services for all day events (in-lieu of custodian on duty)

*When kitchen equipment is used, a school cook may be required to be present.

<u>Annual Fee Waiver for Community Service, Community Improvement and Student Assistance Organizations</u>

A civic group or organization may apply, on an annual basis, to be exempt from use of facilities fees. The Board may approve waiving fees to groups or organizations for use of facilities meeting the following criteria:

1) The groups providing services to the county or city population at little or no cost that are difficult to obtain elsewhere or are military and/or governmental in nature; or

2) The group generally operates as a not-for-profit group; or

3) The group provides an opportunity for a better understanding of the arts through displays and presentations and may be governmental in nature; or

4) The group provides needed assistance to the community in times of disaster and is a nonprofit or governmental type of organization; or

5) The group organizes when necessary to supply a service to the community, the school, education in general or specifically to students; or

6) The group sponsors events directly involving USD 377 students and/or, in a broad sense, former students; is a type which provides future positive assistance to USD 377 student events and is non-school supervised; or
7) The group may derive income from the events, and shall return substantial income to the community through scholarships and other similar projects to USD 377 students; or

8) The group provides a broad base program of student self-improvement in moral judgment, home and community life, poise and self-control and the family as an American way of life.

USD 377, Effingham, Kansas

SCHOOL FACILITY USE ANNUAL WAIVER – 2014-2015

Approval of this waiver authorizes the use of the school facilities for the 2014-2015 school year, beginning July 1, 2014 ending June 30, 2015. The person to whom this permit is issued agrees to accept responsibility for the care of the facility and the compliance with school board policy covering facility use by non-school groups. (Policy KG) The Board reserves the right to revoke this waiver at any time.

Group or Organization: _____

Person Applying for Waiver: _____

Address: _____ Telephone No. _____

Principal's Approval:_____Date: _____

Superintendent's Approval:_____Date: _____

As representative of _____, I have read the Building Use Agreement and Guidelines and I agree that I will be responsible to see that there is full compliance with them.

1st copy: Requester's copy

2nd copy: Building Principal

3rd copy: Clerk of the Board

Signature: _____ Date:_____

Group Representative

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SCHOOL FACILITY USE PERMIT [Sample Only]

This permit authorizes the use of the school facilities as listed. The person to whom this permit is issued agrees to accept responsibility for the care of the facility and the compliance with school board policy covering facility use by nonschool groups. (Policy KG)

Person to Whom Issued: _____

Address: _____ Telephone No. _____

Group or Organization Represented: _____

Purpose of Meeting: _____

Specific Facility/Room(s)Needed: _____

Date(s) of Use: _____

Building Needed: _____

Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

Room(s) Needed: _____ Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

Equipment/Services Needed: _____

(only those services/equipment/facilities listed will be provided.)

_____

Insurance and Other Special District Requirements for Use: _____

_____

Use Charge for Services/Facilities Listed: _____

Date and Amount Paid: _____

Principal's Approval: _____Date: _____

Superintendent's Approval: _____Date: _____

This form must be signed by the person to whom it is issued and presented by that person to the custodian on the date(s) shown. Please read all the provisions and guidelines related to this agreement. I have read the Building Use Agreement and Guidelines and I agree that I will be responsible to see that there is full compliance with them.

1st copy: Requester's copy
2nd copy: Building Principal
3rd copy: Clerk of the Board

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Group Representative

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KGA **Use of District Personal Property and Equipment** **KGA**

Requests for use of district equipment by individuals or outside organizations shall be submitted to the superintendent. Any request shall be granted or denied pursuant to guidelines for using equipment developed by the administrator and approved by the board. The superintendent may establish a deposit for use of school equipment before it is removed from the school grounds or other district property. The deposit will be paid to the Clerk of the Board and will be refunded when the equipment is returned in working order.

Personal Use

No district equipment shall be used by staff for personal reasons at school or away from its designated station without the prior approval of {the superintendent or the building principal.

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SCHOOL PERSONAL PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT USE PERMIT [Sample Only]

This permit authorizes use of the school equipment as listed. The person to whom this permit is issued agrees to accept responsibility for care of the equipment and compliance with school board policy KGA.

Person to Whom Issued: _____

Address: _____ Telephone No. _____

Group or Organization Represented: _____

Equipment Needed:_____

_____

Date(s) of Use:_____

Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

Insurance and Other Special District Requirements for Use:_____

_____

Date and Amount Paid:_____

Principal's Approval: _____Date: _____

Superintendent's Approval: _____Date: _____

This form must be signed by the person to whom it is issued and presented to the person responsible for the equipment on the date(s) shown. Please read all the provisions and guidelines related to this agreement. I have read the Equipment Use Agreement and Guidelines and I agree that I will be responsible to see that there is full compliance with them.

1st copy: Requester's copy
2nd copy: Building Principal
3rd copy: District office

Signature: _____ Date:_____

Approved Borrower

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ATCHISON COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #377
EFFINGHAM, KS 66023

Office Use Only	
Checked with	
Date	
Bldg. Principal	
Maint. Super.	
Bldg. Secretary	
Custodian	
Food Service	
Other	

REQUEST FOR BUILDING RESERVATION

Date of Request (Today's Date): _____

Reservation Requested by: _____
NAME

_____
ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP PHONE

Organization/Group Name: _____

Person Responsible for Payment: _____
NAME

_____
ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP PHONE

Building Requested: ____ HS ____ MS ____ Eff. Elem. ____ Cummings ____ Lancaster

Area Requested: ____ Gym ____ Cafeteria ____ Commons ____ Auditorium ____ Classroom ____ Other

Date Reserved: _____ Time: ____ to ____ am pm Open Building: ____ am pm

Nature of Use: _____

Is this a Money Making Event? ____ Yes ____ No For Benefit of: _____

Office Use Only

_____ ____ Request Approved ____ Request Rejected
Superintendent

Rental Fee _____ Date Paid _____ Receipt # _____

Cost associated with personnel hours _____ will be billed later (hours x cook/custodial wages)

Conditions of Rental

1. Completion of the request for building reservation form is considered an official request for use. Prior to approval of an official request for use the Central Office will complete a review of "known" references. Groups/Organizations may be required to submit references to complete the request process. Reference checks will be made to ensure that the renter/user's are able to use district facilities in a responsible manner.

2. Rental fees are payable in advance to USD 377, 506 6th St., PO Box 289, Effingham, KS 66023-0289. Fees are: $35 per meeting; $75 per meeting when kitchen is used in addition to cafeteria and/or classroom for refreshments and large groups; $150 for use of building all day. Adjustments and approval will be made at the discretion of the Superintendent.

3. The rental fee charged includes a limited amount of custodial service. Custodial service included is: opening of the building at the time specified for the gathering; assisting with the operation of the school service systems; closing the building when vacated and doing routine cleaning of places used. If additional custodial or a cook's services are needed, it should be arranged for in advance with the business office and an additional charge shall be added for additional service. $75 for the kitchen includes a cook on duty for three hours. If the kitchen is needed for longer than three hours an additional $13.50 is required for each hour the kitchen is to remain open. Additional custodial service is also $13.50 per hour.

4. The buildings will not be scheduled for Holidays, including Mother's Day & Father's Day. Furthermore, building will not be used when school is dismissed early because of inclement weather. Forty-eight hours notice will be required of building being used. If for any reason you find it necessary to cancel your reservation, a notice of such cancellation must be received in our business office not later than forty-eight hours proceeding the time for opening the building. In the event such notice is not given, a charge shall be made for the expense incurred. Custodian must be called if building reservation is cancelled.

5. No alcoholic beverages, smoking, or tobacco products are allowed in school buildings. No holes shall be cut, nor nails or screws driven into the school fixtures, walls, or floors by the renter/user. When persons are using the building for any occasion, they should be responsible for clean up of their groups trash (pick up items such as Gatorade bottles, pop containers, and candy wrappers, etc.).

6. The renter/user shall be responsible for warning people who are in the area of the school building rented by the above group/organization of impending severe weather and furthermore the renter/user is responsible for the prompt movement of these people to areas designated as storm shelters in the building. It will be the renter/user's responsibility to inquire of the school principal during the principal's normal school working hours of the location of the designated storm shelter areas.

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KGB Concealed Observations (See JGGA) KGB

Unless otherwise provided in this policy or policy JGGA, individuals are prohibited from recording students, employees, and/or board members surreptitiously or through the use of concealed audio and/or visual recording devices. This prohibition is in effect at school, on or in district property, and at meetings and conferences held for educational or disciplinary purposes.

Exceptions to this prohibition include the use of video surveillance throughout district facilities and in district vehicles, provided in accordance with JGGA; the recording of meetings subject to the Kansas Open Meetings Act; the recording of due process hearings or student disciplinary hearings for evidentiary purposes; recording of students for use during the student's evaluation or provision of special education services with the principal's prior permission; and the recording of a school sponsored activity, program, or event which is open to the general public.

Individuals wishing to record students, employees, or board members at school, on or in district property, or at meetings and conferences as previously described shall first notify the superintendent or building principal in advance. If such recording is not prohibited by law or policy, the administrator may allow the recording and may make arrangements to record on behalf of the district.

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KGC Bullying by Parents (See EBC, GAAE, JDDC, KGD)

The board of education, in its commitment to provide a positive and productive learning and working environment for its students and staff in accordance with state law, prohibits bullying in any form by any student, staff member, or parent towards a student or a staff member on or while using school property, in a school vehicle, or at a school-sponsored activity or event. For the purposes of this policy, the term "bullying" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in Kansas law.

The administration shall propose, and the board shall review and approve a plan to address bullying as prohibited herein.

Parents participating in prohibited bullying conduct aimed at district students and/or staff members may jeopardize their access to district facilities; district property; school sponsored activities, programs, and events; and/or district students and/or staff members through the district's communication systems. As appropriate, reports to local law enforcement will be filed to report criminal bullying behaviors.

This policy and the district bullying plan {shall/may} be posted on the district's website and copies of such documents shall be made available to parents of current students upon request.

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KGD **Disruptive Acts at School or School Activities** **KGD**
(See EBC, GAAE, JCDBB, JDDC, and KGC)

Disruptive acts at school or school sponsored activities will not be tolerated. Persons threatening the safety of students, school personnel, or other persons; to damage school property; or to interfere with school or school activities or the educational process will be asked to leave the premises.

The school administration and staff are responsible for handling any disturbance caused by adults or students. The final decision for determining if assistance is needed is the responsibility of the superintendent or school principal. In the absence of these individuals, the determination shall be made by the assistant principal or person designated to be in charge of the building or activity. The superintendent shall be notified of any serious problem at the school.

Possession of a Firearm

Unless otherwise required by law or authorized by board policy, no person other than a law enforcement officer shall possess a firearm on any district owned or operated property; within any district owned or operated building or facility; in a school vehicle; in an employee's personal vehicle being used to transport students or school staff in the performance of job duties for the district; or at any school sponsored activity, program, or event. This prohibition includes possession of concealed and/or openly carried weapons; however such prohibition shall not apply to the secured storage of a handgun in a district employee's own locked vehicle on school property so long as such weapon is maintained out of plain sight.

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Appropriate signs shall be conspicuously posted as directed by the board and required by law.

Anyone in violation of this policy shall be directed to leave the premises immediately and not return without prior approval from the building administrator or superintendent. Failure to comply with such order will result in a report to law enforcement.

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KGDA Public Conduct on School Property KGDA

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee may deny access to the school buildings, facilities, and/or grounds of the district to persons who have no lawful business to pursue at the school, persons who are acting in a manner disruptive or disturbing to the normal educational functions of the school, or persons who are on school property in violation of Board and/or building policy. Administrative personnel may demand identification and evidence of qualification for access of anyone desiring to use or come upon the premises of the particular school or facility.

Persons, including parents or persons acting as parents, who have legitimate reasons for being on school property must nevertheless abide by policies adopted by the board and building policies specifically applicable to each school. Such building policies shall be published annually in the school handbook and shall be posted at the school in a conspicuous place visible to all who enter the premises. Visitors must secure and wear a visitor's pass to enter school buildings during the school day.

Anyone who refuses or fails to leave district buildings, facilities, and/or grounds after being requested to do so by an authorized district employee shall be considered to be trespassing in violation of Kansas law. In such case, the police will be contacted, and arrest and criminal charges may result.

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The administration will determine if the individual who has been asked to leave a district building, facility, or grounds is allowed to return in the future. If the individual is not to return in the future, the appropriate "Trespass Notification" is to be sent to the individual.

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Notice of Protections Under the Kansas Tort Claims Act

As a teacher employed by Unified School District No. 377, Atchison County, Effingham, Kansas, you are entitled to protections under the Kansas Tort Claims Act, K.S.A. 75-6101 *et seq.*

1. What is the Kansas Tort Claims Act?

It is the state statutory scheme which allows governmental entities, including public school districts, in the state to be sued for damages caused by the negligent or wrongful acts or omissions of employees, officers, or board members. In cases arising under the Kansas Tort Claims Act, liability is limited to $500,000 for any number of claims arising out of a single occurrence or accident or to the extent of the district's insurance, whichever is greater. U.S.D. 377's insurance with regard to tort claims provides liability coverage for such claims up to $500,000. (See K.S.A. 75-6101 et seq.)

2. Are there any situations in which a school district may be exempt from liability for negligent acts?

Yes, the law contains several exemptions. A school district and its employees are not liable, under the Tort Claims Act, for damages resulting from:

- Legislative functions, such as adopting or failing to adopt a policy;
- Judicial functions, such as a student or teacher due process hearing;
- enforcement or failure to enforce a statute, regulation, or board resolution;
- Adoption or failure to adopt written personnel policies which protect persons' health or safety;
- Any claim based on the performance of or failure to perform a discretionary function or duty, regardless of whether discretion is abused;
- The assessment or collection of taxes;
- Any claim by an employee which is covered by workers compensation;

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- Snow or ice or other temporary or natural conditions on school property;
- The plan or design for the construction or improvement to public property;
- Any claim for injuries resulting from the use of any public property intended or permitted to be used as a park, playground, or open area for recreational purposes, except in cases of gross or wanton negligence; or
- The natural condition of any unimproved public school property.

3. Is the school district liable for all negligent acts of its employees?

No. The district is only liable for acts or omissions of employees which occur in the scope of the employee's employment and which are done with actual fraud or actual malice.

4. Will the district provide me a legal defense for claims under this act?

Generally yes. Upon request of an employee, the district shall:

- Provide for the defense of any civil action or proceeding against you, in your official or individual capacity or both, on account of an act or omission in the scope of your employment with the district; and
- Provide legal counsel to you when you are summoned to appear before any grand jury or inquisition on account of an act or omission in the scope of your employment with the district.
- The district has no right to recover expenses from you for this defense or representation, except as provided in K.S.A. 75-6109, and amendments thereto.

5. Can the district refuse to provide me a defense under the act?

Yes, the district may refuse to provide for the defense of an action against you or to provide you with representation if the district determines:

- The act or omission was not within the scope of your employment;

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- You acted or failed to act because of actual fraud or actual malice;
- The defense of the action or proceeding would create a conflict of interest between you and the district; or
- The request was not made in accordance with law.

6. **How do I request the district to come to my defense or to provide me with representation?**

You must make a request for such inn writing within 15 days of receiving service of process or a subpoena of the action. This request is to be filed with the board of education.

The district may reimburse an you such reasonable attorney fees, costs and expenses as are necessarily incurred in defending a claim against the you for punitive or exemplary damages if: (1) The action or proceeding arose out of an act or omission in the scope of the your employment; and (2) you reasonably cooperated in good faith in the defense of the claim.

I acknowledge that I have been provided with notice protections provided to me in accordance with the Kansas Tort Claims Act.

_____ _____

Teacher Signature Date

_____

Teacher Name (Printed)

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KI **Distributing Materials in Schools** (See JHCA) **KI**

In accordance with rules adopted by the board, the superintendent reserves the right to refuse distribution to students any material by outside individuals or groups which creates a material or substantial interference with normal school activity or appropriate discipline in the operation of the school.

Materials Produced by Outside Groups–Including Religious Materials - The principal may establish rules and regulations which control the time, place and manner in which non-school/educational materials are displayed and disseminated in the building or on school property. No student shall be forced to participate in the distribution or receipt of any non-school materials in the schools.

Political Campaign Materials - The board encourages responsible use of political materials as part of the board-approved curriculum. No student shall be forced to participate in the distribution or receipt of any political materials.

Advertising in the Schools - No advertising for commercial purposes shall be permitted in the school buildings or on the grounds of the district without prior board approval. Advertising in student publications shall be regulated by rules and regulations developed by the superintendent. Advertising in the student publications may promote products by brand name. Ads promoting the sale of any controlled substance, drug paraphernalia or any other illegal material or activity are prohibited.

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Mailing Lists - No mailing lists of students shall be given to individuals, organizations or vendors for the purpose of distributing materials.

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Sample only: Adapt for Local Use

Distribution Rules: Non-School Materials USD 377

The following item/s may be distributed:

Time: On September 13th and 14th only between the hours of 3:15 and 3:30 p.m.

Place: In the commons area at a table set up for the purpose of distribution of approved materials.

Manner: The person distributing may stand next to the table on which materials are stacked. If a child walking by asks for one, the person may hand them a copy. No attempt shall be made to engage the child in dialogue concerning whether they accept or reject the material.

Signed: _____
Administrator

Signed: _____
Representative of group or individual who produced the material

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KK Sale of District Property KK

The board may dispose of property in a manner the board deems to be in the district's best interest. Whenever excess district property is to be sold at auction, all sales shall be to the highest bidder. No credit shall be extended.

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KM Visitors to the School KM

The board encourages patrons and parents to visit district facilities. Patron visits shall be scheduled with the teacher and the building principal.

Notices shall be posted in school buildings to require visitors to check in at the office before proceeding to contact any other person in the building or on the grounds.

Any person who visits a building and/or grounds of the district will be under the jurisdiction of the building principal who shall be responsible for developing rules and regulations governing the presence of visitors in the buildings.

The principal has authority to request assistance from law enforcement if any visitor to the district's buildings or grounds refuses to leave or creates a disturbance. Violation of this rule may lead to removal from the building or grounds and denial of further access to the building or grounds. Violators of this board policy may be subject to the state trespass law.

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KN **Complaints** (See BCBI, GAACA, GAAB, GAAF, IF, IKD, and JCE) **KN**

The board encourages all complaints regarding the district to be resolved at the lowest possible administrative level. Whenever a complaint is made directly to the board as a whole or to a board member as an individual, it will be referred to the administration for study and possible resolution.

Discrimination against any individual on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or religion in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in the district's programs and activities is prohibited. Harassment of an individual on any of these grounds is also prohibited. (The District Compliance Coordinator, Atchison County Community Schools, USD 377, PO Box 289, Effingham, KS 66023-0289, Telephone: 913-833-5050) has been designated to coordinate compliance with nondiscrimination requirements contained in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Information concerning the provisions of these Acts, and the rights provided thereunder, are available from the compliance coordinator.

Complaints About Discrimination or Discriminatory Harassment

Complaints of discrimination or discriminatory harassment by an employee should be addressed to the employee's supervisor, the building principal, or the district compliance coordinator. Complaints by a student should be addressed to the building principal, another administrator, the guidance counselor, or another certified staff member. Any school employee who receives a complaint of discrimination or harassment from a student shall

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inform the student of the employee's obligation to report the complaint and

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any proposed resolution of the complaint to the building principal. If the building principal is the alleged harasser, the complaint shall be reported to the district compliance coordinator. Complaints by any other person alleging discrimination should be addressed to the building principal or the district compliance coordinator. Complaints about discrimination, including complaints of harassment, will be resolved through the following complaint procedures:

Informal Procedures

The building principal shall attempt to resolve complaints of discrimination or harassment in an informal manner at the building level. Any school employee who receives a complaint of discrimination harassment from a student, another employee or any other individual shall inform the individual of the employee's obligation to report the complaint and any proposed resolution of the complaint to the building principal. The building principal shall discuss the complaint with the individual to determine if it can be resolved. If the matter is resolved to the satisfaction of the individual, the building principal shall document the nature of the complaint and the proposed resolution of the complaint, and forward this record to the district compliance coordinator. Within 20 days after the complaint is resolved in this manner, the principal shall contact the complainant to determine if the resolution of the matter remains acceptable. If the matter is not resolved to the satisfaction of the individual in the meeting with the principal, or if the individual does not believe the resolution remains acceptable, the individual may initiate a formal complaint

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If discrimination or harassment has occurred, the district will take prompt, remedial action to prevent its reoccurrence. The district prohibits retaliation or discrimination against any person for opposing discrimination, including harassment; for participating in the complaint process; or making a complaint, testifying, assisting, or participating in any investigation, proceeding, or hearing.

Formal Complaint Procedures

- A formal complaint should be filed in writing and contain the name and address of the person filing the complaint. The complaint should briefly describe the alleged violation. If an individual does not wish to file a written complaint and the matter has not been adequately resolved, the building principal may initiate the complaint. Forms for filing written complaints are available in each building office and the central office.

- A complaint should be filed as soon as possible after the conduct occurs, but not later than 180 days after the complainant becomes aware of the alleged violation, unless the conduct forming the basis for the complaint is ongoing.

- If appropriate, an investigation shall follow the filing of the complaint. If the complaint is against the superintendent, the board shall appoint an investigating officer. In other instances, the investigation shall be conducted by the building principal, the compliance coordinator or another individual appointed by the board. The investigation shall be informal but thorough. All interested persons, including the complainant and the person against whom the complaint is lodged, will be afforded an opportunity to submit written or oral evidence relevant to the complaint.

- A written determination of the complaint's validity and a description of the resolution shall be issued by the investigator, and a copy forwarded to the complainant and the accused no later than 30 days after the filing of the complaint.

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- ◊ If the investigation results in a recommendation that a student be suspended or expelled, procedures outlined in board policy and state law governing student suspension and expulsion will be followed.

- ◊ If the investigation results in a recommendation that an employee be suspended without pay or terminated, procedures outlined in board policy, the negotiated agreement or state law will be followed.

- Records relating to complaints filed and their resolution shall be forwarded to and maintained in a confidential manner by the district compliance coordinator.

- The complainant may appeal the determination of the complaint. Appeals shall be heard by the district compliance coordinator, a hearing officer appointed by the board, or by the board itself as determined by the board. The request to appeal the resolution shall be made within 20 days after the date of the written resolution of the complaint at the lower level. The appeal officer shall review the evidence gathered by the investigator and the investigator's report, and shall afford the complainant and the person against whom the complaint is filed an opportunity to submit further evidence, orally or in writing, within 10 days after the appeal is filed. The appeal officer will issue a written determination of the complaint's validity and a description of its resolution within 30 days after the appeal is filed.

- If discrimination or harassment has occurred, the district will take prompt, remedial action to prevent its reoccurrence. The district prohibits retaliation or discrimination against any person for opposing discrimination, including harassment; for participating in the complaint process; or making a complaint, testifying, assisting, or participating in any investigation, proceeding, or hearing.

- Use of this complaint procedure is not a prerequisite to the pursuit of any other remedies including the right to file a complaint with the Office for Civil Rights of the U.S. Department of Education, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, or the Kansas Human Rights Commission.

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Complaints About Policy

The superintendent shall report any unresolved complaint about policies to the board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

Complaints About Curriculum (See IF)

The superintendent shall report a failure to resolve any complaint about curriculum to the board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

Complaints About Instructional Materials

The building principal shall report any unresolved complaint about instructional materials to the superintendent immediately after receiving the complaint.

Complaints About Facilities and Services

The superintendent shall report any unresolved complaint about facilities and services to the board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

Complaints About Personnel

The superintendent or the building principal involved shall report any unresolved complaint about personnel to the board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

Complaints About Emergency Safety Intervention Use

Complaints concerning the use of emergency safety interventions by district staff shall be addressed in accordance with the local dispute resolution process outlined in board policy GAAF.

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INTERORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONS

SN Excludes education agencies.

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LA	Goals and Objectives
LB (See LA)	School-Community Cooperation
LC (See LA)	School-Community Programs
*LD (See LA)	School-General Government Relations
*LDA	Local Government
	SN Includes central governing and administrative bodies such as city council and mayor's office.
*LDAA	Fiscal Authorities
*LDAB	Taxation Authorities
*LDAC	Election Board
*LDAD	Public Antipoverty Authorities
*LDAE	Public Housing Authorities
*LDAF	Public Health Authorities
*LDAG	Public Welfare Authorities
*LDAH	Parks Department
*LDAI	Recreation Department
*LDAJ	Police Department
*LDAJA	Interrogations and Investigations (See JCAB & JCAC)
*LDAK	Fire Department
*LDAL	Civil Defense Agency
*LDAM	Industrial Development Authorities
*LDAN	Planning Authorities
*LDAO	Zoning Authorities
*LDB	(RESERVED CATEGORY)
	SN For use to record relationships with intermediate governmental bodies between the local and state levels--county, regional, and/or metropolitan.
*LDC	State Government
*LDCA	Legislative Representatives
*LDCB	State Employment Department
LDD	Federal Government
*LDDA	Congressional Representatives
*LE	School-Community Organizations Relations
*LEA	Private Social Service Agencies
*LEB	Parents Organizations
*LEC	Booster Organizations
*LED	Family Night
*LEE	Human Relations Organizations
*LEF	Neighborhood Associations
*LEG	Business and Labor Organizations
*LEGA	Work-Study Programs (Also IDCF)
*LEGB	Student Banking Programs

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LA Goals and Objectives LA

The board shall seek to establish a satisfactory working relationship with governmental agencies and private organizations having an interest in the schools.

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LB **School-Community Cooperation** **LB**

The board shall seek to foster cooperation between the schools and community groups and organizations.

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LC **School-Community Programs** **LC**

The board shall consider establishing programs sponsored jointly by the district and community groups or organizations whenever, in the board's judgment, these programs cannot or should not be wholly under the board's control.

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LDD **Federal Government-Drug Free Schools** **LDD**

The unlawful possession, use, sale or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students or school employees on school premises or as a part of any school activity is prohibited. This policy, and any curriculum used in conjunction with it, shall be evaluated at least every-other year using criteria developed by the superintendent and approved by the board. The board shall receive a report after each of these reviews is conducted. This policy is required by the 1989 amendments to the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act. P.L. 102-226. (See IDAB, GAOA, GAOB, and JDDA)

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LDDA Fiscal Management of Federal Grants LDDA

The district shall meet the requirements of the *Education Department General Administrative Regulations* (EDGAR). The outline used to meet this requirement shall be the document: Federal Education Grants Management: What Administrators Need to Know, and other pertinent documents developed by the U.S. Department of Education.

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LED **Scheduling of School Activities** **LED**

Wednesday evenings and Sundays are set aside for many family and church activities. Except for special circumstances, school activities, events, and practices will not be scheduled at these times. Events over which the board has limited jurisdiction (e.g., KSHSAA activities) or events of community-wide interest (e.g., high school graduation) may be approved for scheduling. All events scheduled at these times will have the prior approval of the superintendent of schools.

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MA Goals and Objectives **MA**

The board shall seek to work harmoniously with educational agencies having an interest in the district's schools.

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MD Interdistrict Relations **MD**

The board shall work cooperatively with other districts to provide services to students when it is in the best interest of students and the district.

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MF Colleges and Universities **MF**

The board may consider use of student teachers in district classes.

Contract Required

A written student teaching contract with appropriate colleges and universities shall be prepared and presented to the board for their consideration and approval.

Other Relationships

Other relationships between the district and institutions of higher education may be considered upon recommendation of the administration.

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MI Kansas Education Systems Accreditation MI

Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (hereafter "KESA") is a district-wide accreditation process. Accreditation within this process is ultimately granted by the Kansas State Board of Education. The district school board (hereafter "board") shall maintain the goal of full accreditation for the district. Good faith efforts shall be made by all staff to implement district school improvement plans. The board shall monitor compliance.

The board is committed to implementing and sustaining the foundational structures defined within the KESA process as well as defining and implementing district-wide goals in alignment with the KESA rubrics.

In order for accreditation to be achieved, the board shall commit to school improvement for all district schools, academic achievement for all district students, and results-based professional development for all district staff members. The superintendent shall regularly report to the board on the district's progress toward full accreditation within the 5 year cycle defined as part of the KESA process.

The board shall fully inform the public in languages commonly used in the community about district-wide goals, school improvement plans, the progress of school improvement efforts, the accreditation status of the district, and other pertinent information as the board may direct.

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