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PREFACE

The policies of Unified School District 343 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 appropriate 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 district staff members edited the proposed policies 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:

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- B -- SCHOOL BOARD OPERATIONS**
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The system's ultimate success depends on using these policies daily to guide administrators and other staff, 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.

The Index

The index is designed to help the user find the subject described in the appropriate policy.

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. The reader should turn to the alpha code in the appropriate section and read the policy. After the reader has done this, cross-references should also be read.

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 another administrative staff member.

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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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.

Approved: 8/09

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. 343, Jefferson 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. 343, Jefferson 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 343, Jefferson County, Kansas, the 11 day of July, 2022.

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.

Approved: 8/09

AC School District Grade Levels

AC

The district will be organized on a K-1, 2-4, 5-8 and 9-12 plan.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

The board may direct the superintendent to conduct a census of the following:

- The number of potential students living in the district under the age of 5 years;
- The number of potential students and patrons residing in the district between the ages of 5 and 21;
- The number between the ages of 17 and 21.

The census shall also obtain information related to the planning of transportation services and other information the superintendent considers necessary.

Approved: 8/09

AE School Year

AE

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

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.

Approved: 8/09

AEA **School Calendar** (See IKD)

AEA

The board shall establish a calendar for each school year. On or before May of 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.

Approved: 8/09

Extended School Year

The board may extend the regular academic year. The superintendent shall be responsible for preparing a plan and presenting it to the board. The board may extend 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.

Extended Learning Opportunities for Students

The board may require extended learning opportunities for students not meeting minimum academic requirements as defined by the board. Students may be assigned to extended academic sessions including, but not limited to:

- before-or after-school;
- Saturday school; or
- summer sessions.

Regulations necessary to govern extended academic sessions shall be recommended by the superintendent for board approval. Truancy laws, suspension and expulsion policies and law, and all appropriate portions of the student behavior code shall apply during extended academic sessions.

Approved: 8/09

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 pf ending the school day and other time schedules.

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

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 buildings as provided for in current law.

Approved: 8/09

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BA Goals and Objectives

BA

Insert current board goals here if desired. Update annually or as necessary.

Approved: 8/09

BBBB New Member Orientation (See BCBK)

BBBB

The superintendent, the board president and clerk of the board 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 and 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. They shall receive copies of all agendas, reports and other communications received by current board members except information or material of a confidential nature.

Approved: 8/09

BBBF Reimbursement for Expenses (See GAN)

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 two 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.

Approved: 8/09

BBE **Attorney**

BBE

The board shall appoint an attorney to handle legal matters.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

BBG **Consultants** (See CJ, CL and ID)

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 clear days in advance of the special meeting. No business other than that stated in the notice may be transacted at the special meeting.

Approved: 8/09

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. 343, State of Kansas, held on _____, 20__.

Member, Board of Education

Member, Board of Education

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Attest:

Clerk, Board of Education
Unified School District No. 343
Jefferson County
State of Kansas

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

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

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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;
- To take action;
- To amend a motion to take action, but the amending motion shall be disposed of before any other motion to amend the main motion shall be in order;
- To defer action either finally or to a specific time, date and place;
- To go into executive session; and
- To adjourn, either finally, or to a specific time, date and place.

The president may call a meeting to order or, without objection from a majority of the board, call for a break or adjourn the meeting without a motion.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

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.

Handling Complaints

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 must 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 _____

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.

Cameras/Recording Devices

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.

Approved: 8/09

BCBK Executive Session

BCBK

(See BBBB, BE, CN, CYA, 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;
- 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.

Approved: 8/09; 2/18

BDA Developing, Adopting, Amending, and Repealing Board Policy BDA

(See CM, GAA, and JA)

The board shall adopt all policies, regulations, and handbooks, all of which are deemed to be board policy. Board policies, regulations, and handbooks may be amended or repealed at any board meeting by a majority vote of the board.

Drafting Policy

The superintendent shall recommend policy changes. The superintendent may involve appropriate staff members, patrons, community members, or students when revising or drafting new policy.

Attorney Involvement

Board policies or recommended changes thereto may be submitted to legal counsel to determine their legality before they are submitted to the board.

Policy Dissemination

Changes in board policy shall be disseminated as appropriate. The superintendent shall ensure appropriate dissemination of current policy and removal of obsolete policies from the board's policy system. At least one current policy manual shall be accessible in the central business office. Current board-approved policies may be posted on the district website, or other website designated by the board. Board members, district staff, patrons and others will be encouraged to use the website to access current board policy.

Historical Policy Files

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

Public Input on Policy

Individuals or groups may submit proposed changes in board policy.

BDA Developing, Adopting, Amending, and Repealing Board Policy BDA-2

Action Allowed When No Policy Exists

In an emergency, when action must be taken but present policy does not dictate appropriate action, 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/10; 6/22

BE **School Board Records**
(See BCBK, CN, CYA, ECA, II, and KBA)

BE

The board shall keep records necessary to document board actions.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

BK Board Self-Evaluation (See ABE)

BK

The board may 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 at least 6 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.

Approved: 8/09

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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 mobilize and coordinate all available resources to develop an educational program designed to maintain continuous academic improvement and full state accreditation in all schools.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

CD Administrative Line and Staff Relations (See GACA 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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

CEA **Superintendent Qualifications**

CEA

The superintendent shall possess, or be eligible for, a Kansas superintendent's certificate.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 the qualification of a candidate 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 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

CEE **Compensation and Benefits**

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.

Approved: 8/09

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. 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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

CEI Evaluating the Superintendent (See CGI and GAK)

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.

Approved: 8/09

CEJ Nonrenewing or Terminating the Superintendent's Contract

CEJ

The board may nonrenew or terminate the superintendent's contract.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

CF **Board-Superintendent Relations** (See BBC)

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

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.

Approved: 8/09

Administrative personnel shall be evaluated in writing by the superintendent in accordance with legal requirements for the first two 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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved:6/19

CJ **Hiring Consultants** (See BBG, CL and ID)

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

CL **Administrative Teams** (See BBG, CJ and ID)

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.

Financial

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

Approved: 8/09

CM Policy Implementation

CM

(See BDA, CGK, GAA, and JA)

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

Approved: 8/09; 6/19; 6/22

CN **Public Records**

CN

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

The board designates the superintendent 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 the 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.)

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, 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.

- 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 __ 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)

Approved:8/09, 12/16, 12/18, 6/19

U.S.D. #343 Perry-Lecompton Public Schools
Open Records Copy Request Application

REQUESTER INFORMATION				
Last Name:		First Name:		Middle Name:
Home Address	Street:	City:	State:	Zip:
Business Address	Street:	City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone:		Alternate/Business Phone:	E-Mail Address:	
RECORD(S) SOUGHT: Please provide as specific as possible, a description of the record(s) you desire to copy, including titles and dates.				
Record Title/Description/Date:		Department Possessing the record (if known):		No. of Copies:
Record Title/Date:		Department:		No. of Copies:
Record Title/Date:		Department:		No. of Copies:

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that neither I nor any person for whom I may be acting as agent intends to and will not use any names or addresses contained in or derived from the records to sell or offer for sale any property or service to the persons or residents of the addresses listed, and will not sell, give or receive any list of names or addresses to be used for unlawful commercial purposes [See K.S.A. 45-220 (c)(2)(A)(B) and K.S.A. 45-230]

 APPLICANT'S NAME (Printed)

 APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

 TODAY'S DATE

CHARGES

A charge for providing inspection or copies of public records is authorized by the Kansas Open Records Act and policy CN in USD #343 Policy. These charges are set at a level to compensate U.S.D. #343 for the actual costs incurred in honoring your request, (.10 per copy/\$15 per hour) Prepayment is required.

STAFF USE ONLY:

Record Search Charge \$_____

Copy Charge \$_____

The total charge for the record(s) requested \$_____

Prepayment of the above amount received not received

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

CNA

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/19

* For detailed information, see Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. 34 Production of Documents, Electronically Stored Information.

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

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.

Approved: 8/09

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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.

Approved: 8/09

(See DC and KBA)

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.

In planning the budget, sufficient moneys shall be allocated in a manner reasonably calculated such that all students may achieve the capacities set forth in K.S.A. 72-3218(c).

Needs Assessment

Each year, the board shall conduct an assessment of the educational needs of each attendance center in the district. Such assessment shall be published on the school district's website. Information obtained from the needs assessment shall be used by the board when approving the budget of the school district to ensure improvement in student academic performance.

The board shall annually review state assessment results and, as part of such review, shall document the following:

- The barriers that must be overcome to have all students achieve proficiency above level 2 for grade level academic expectations on such assessments;
- Any budget actions, including, but not limited to, recommendations on reallocation of resources that should be taken to address and remove such barriers; and
- The amount of time the board estimates it will take for all students to achieve proficiency above level 2 for grade level academic expectations on the state assessments if such budget actions are implemented.

The board shall also prepare a summary of the budget. The budget, the summary of the proposed budget, the needs assessment, and the state assessment documentation shall be on file at the administrative offices of the school district and available on the school district's website. Notice of the hearing on the budget shall include a statement that the budget(s), the summary of the proposed budget, the needs assessment, and state assessment documentation is on file at the administrative offices of the district and available on the school district's website.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

(See DB and KBA)

The district budget shall be prepared by the superintendent in cooperation with selected district employees and shall reflect the district's educational goals, including improvement in student academic performance as described in board policy DB and state law.

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, taking into consideration the requirements for budgeting.

Deadlines and Schedules

Deadlines and time schedules shall be established by the board, unless otherwise provided by state law.

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.

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 within a timeframe that allows the district to comply with all statutory deadlines.

Hearings and Reviews

The board shall conduct budget hearings according to state law. The minutes of the meeting at which the board approves its annual budget shall state a needs assessment was provided to the board in accordance with board policy DB and state law, the board evaluated such assessment, and the manner in which the board used such assessment in the approval of the district's budget.

District budgets, the summary of the proposed budget, the needs assessment, and the state assessment documentation described in board policy DB shall be on file at the administrative offices of the district and available on the district's website.

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

Approved:; 6/09; 6/15; 6/18; 6/21; 6/22

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

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.

Approved: 6/18

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.

See USD 343 Guide for Development and Management of Grant Proposals

Approved: 6/11

USD 343 Guide for Development and Management of Grant Proposals

INTRODUCTION

Grant Monies applied for and received by USD 343 have a great impact on the scope of services that are provided to students of the school district. This guide will clearly define way to apply for grants and responsibility in the administration of grants received and accepted by the Board of Education.

PURPOSE

This guide is designed to accomplish the following:

1. To enhance the educational program by obtaining increased funding to support district programs and initiatives.
2. To ensure that all proposals are aligned with building and district long-range plans.
3. To ensure that the district is prepared to meet monetary or in-kind requirements of the grantor.
4. To ensure that the district is able to implement all aspects of the proposal, meeting the contractual obligations of the grant.
5. To clarify the roles and expectations of the Superintendent, the Project Manager, the Grant Manager, and the Board Clerk in grant procurement and management.
6. To increase staff skills in program planning, proposal writing, locating funding sources, and grant project management.
7. To establish a standard format and procedure for the application, implementation, and reporting of all projects funded from sources outside the district.

ROLE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education is the only body that may accept grand funding within USD 343.

ROLE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent is directly responsible to oversee the creation of grant proposals and the administration of those grants when received. The Superintendent is the only school district employee authorized to sign grant applications and assurances, letter of support, letters of commitment, or any documents that may be required to show district approval and participation in the grant.

ROLE OF THE PRINCIPAL

The building Principal will provide oversight of all grant activities within the individual school. This includes ensuring that grant proposals are appropriate and connect to School Improvement efforts, adjusting inventories to account for real property and cooperating with Project Manager and Grant Manager to ensure ongoing compliance with contractual requirements of specific grants.

ROLE OF THE PROJECT MANAGER

The Project Manager is responsible for ensuring that the proposal is carried out as specified in the grant. The Project Manager will distribute property, submit Purchase Order Requests, troubleshoot, and prepare periodic progress reports for the Grant Manager.

ROLE OF THE GRANT MANAGER

The Grant Manager will take necessary steps to ensure that the grant contract is being faithfully fulfilled, including the following activities:

1. Meet with recipients, building principals, and Project Managers at least quarterly.
2. Gather and maintain data files to support close-out or continuation reporting.
3. Authenticate Purchase Order Requests.
4. Interface with grantors to request modifications in program and/or budget.
5. Report to the Superintendent and Board of Education.

ROLE OF THE BOARD CLERK

The Board Clerk will take necessary action to ensure that funds are expended correctly and that all records are maintained for audit purposes, to include the following activities:

1. Establish accounts for all grants.
2. Supervise disbursement of funds to ensure compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and accounting standards.
3. Establish files for all completed grants in a manner that allows ready reference.
4. Establish working files for active grants, in collaboration with the Grant Manager.
5. Report to the Superintendent and Board of Education.

ROLL AND FUNCTION OF THE GRANTS COMMITTEE

The Grants Committee is a self-selected group of teachers and administrators who have agreed to work together to increase staff skills in program planning, proposal writing, locating funding sources, and grant project management.

In addition, the Grants Committee collaborates to establish a standard format and procedure for the application, implementation, and reporting of all projects funded from sources outside the district.

Standard Format

For state and federal grants, the format specified is the Request for Proposal (RFP) or the Request for Applications (RFA) will be utilized. The application will be checked for compliance, for grammar, and for spelling errors while in the draft stage.

For local and foundation grants, the format will vary. The application will be checked for compliance, for grammar, and for spelling errors while in the draft stage.

Standard Procedure

1. Identify need, conduct in formal needs assessment.
2. Locate a potential funding source.
3. Ensure that the school or district meets qualifications to apply. Complete “USD 343 Request to Apply for Grant Funding” for located on the Y drive.
4. Discuss the possibility with building administrator (for classroom or building-level applications) or the Superintendent (for district level or state/federal applications). Obtain approval to proceed.
5. Write application, with assistance as needed.
6. Send completed application in draft form to colleagues for review.
7. Adjust and improve draft. Collaborate with the Grant Manager to create final version.
8. Obtain necessary signatures (Principal or Superintendent) and submit to grantor.
9. Principal or Superintendent informs Board of Education that the grant proposal has been submitted.
10. Upon approval but prior to Board acceptance, contact building principal, Superintendent, and Board Clerk. Provide copies of the grant proposal and approval notification to each person.
11. The Superintendent will obtain direction from the Board of Education at the next scheduled meeting.

Approved: 6/11

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 \$100.00 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 property and activities and/or the severing of the officer or agency relationship with the district, as appropriate.

Approved: 12/16; 6/22

(See CN, DFAA, and DFAB)

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 Assistant Superintendent/Director of Curriculum and Instruction as the federal programs coordinator and district contact for all federal programs and funding.

The Assistant Superintendent/Director of Curriculum and Instruction 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 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.

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.

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.

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.

Approved: 6/17; 6/22

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, shall 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.

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.

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 board clerk 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

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.

Approved: 8/09

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

Approved: 8/09

DFM Equipment and Supplies Sales (See KK)

DFM

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

Approved: 8/09

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 \$50,000 is required for the treasurer, clerk and superintendent. A position bond may be purchased by the board for district employees as follows:

- Building principals
- Building secretary(ies)
- Other employees as the board may direct.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

[RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH PETTY CASH FUND]

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 343, Jefferson 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. 343, Jefferson 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. 12-105 shall not apply.

ADOPTED by the Board of Education of Unified School District 343, Jefferson County, Kansas, the __day of _____, 20 ____.

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

* Not to Exceed \$1500. 00

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. School employees are not allowed to purchase personal items from vendors using district accounts.

Purchasing Authority

The board shall appoint a purchasing agent for the district.

Approved: 4/07; 12/21

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

DJED Bids and Quotations Requirements

DJED

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.

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.

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 at a time designated by him. 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 supplied, 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

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.

Approved: 8/09

DJEJ **Payment Procedures** (See DJEG and DJFAB)

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 \$20,000.

The board shall receive reports on any contracts.

Approved: 8/09

(See DJEG and DJEJ)

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

DK Student Activity Fund Management (See JGHB, JH and JL)

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.

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.

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.

DK Student Activity Fund Management

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

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.

Approved: 8/09

[RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH ACTIVITY FUND]

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 343, Jefferson 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. 343, Jefferson 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. 12-105 shall not apply.

ADOPTED by the Board of Education of Unified School District 343, Jefferson County, Kansas, the ____ day of _____, 20 ____.

[NOTE: A separate resolution must be adopted for each activity fund.
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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 worth less or insufficient fund checks to the school district. In addition, the board adopts the following procedures for dealing with re turned 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.

Approved: 12/16; 6/18

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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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 also purchase insurance covering loss resulting from student participation in a work-based learning program authorized by the district. 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

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.

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

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. 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.

Approved: 8/09

Inspection

Regular inspection of district facilities for hazardous waste shall be conducted by district maintenance staff. 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.

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.

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.

Approved: 8/09

EBBD **Evacuations and Emergencies** (See EBBF and JBH)

EBBD

If an emergency interferes with the normal conduct of school affairs, students may be dismissed from school only by the superintendent or designee. 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.

School-Closing Announcements

When the superintendent believes the safety of students is threatened by severe weather, health or safety concerns, or other circumstances, parents and students shall be notified of school closings or cancellations by announcements made over radio/TV station(s) and by the parent notification system.

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. As appropriate, portions of the crisis plan developed shall be held in strict confidence by staff members having direct responsibility for implementing the plan.

Approved: 8/09, 12/20

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, 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.

Approved: 8/09; 12/18; 6/19

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.

Approved: 8/09

(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.

Report able 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.

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.

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.

EBC SAFETY AND SECURITY

-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 Local Law Enforcement
USD #343**

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 343 Student/s file

- 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 343

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.

<i>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 343 employees and officials. Violation of these privacy rights could include sanctions up to and including termination.</i>

*Signed: _____
School employee who receives the report*

*Signed: _____
Administrator or school employee making report*

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

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 a \$_____ (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 _____, _____, KS _____, telephone _____. The board reserves the right to determine the deserving recipients of the reward in the event of corroborating and supplementary information.

Approved: 8/09

EBE Cleaning and Maintenance Programs

EBE

The superintendent 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 superintendent 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 superintendent and may be published in the appropriate handbook(s) or job descriptions and/or employment contracts after board approval.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

A quantity control system is needed in order to prevent shortages or mismanagement of district-owned equipment or supplies. The system shall be kept up-to-date and be accurate enough to provide information for budget preparation each year.

Upon verification by the purchasing agent that receivables are in order, the merchandise shall be sent to the appropriate location as soon as possible.

Each building principal shall be responsible for the allocation or storage of all supplies and equipment. If the items cannot be delivered to the proper destination, they will be stored in an appropriate storage area.

Back orders shall be filed with the invoice and attached to the purchase order. Periodic checks shall be made to determine whether back orders have been filled and delivered.

Approved: 8/09

ECA **HIPAA Policy**
(See BCBK, BE, CN, CYA, IDEA and JR et seq.)

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.

Approved: 8/09

Adapt regulation for local use, remove from policy book

and distribute as necessary.

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

**_____ District _____, HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN
(referred to as the “Group Health Plan”, “We” “Our” or “Us” in this document)**

**This notice describes how Protected Health Information (PHI) about You may be used and how
You can get access to the information.
PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.**

PHI is individually identifiable information about You. All of the following are examples of PHI:

- demographic information: Your name, address, social security number and date of birth; or
- medical information: relating to Your past, present or future physical or mental health that is collected/created/received from You, a health care provider, a health plan, employer or health care clearinghouse; or
- the providing of health care; or
- the past, present or future payment for providing health care to You.

OUR LEGAL DUTY

We are required by applicable federal and state laws to maintain the privacy of Your PHI. We are also required to give You notice about Our privacy practices, Our legal duties, and Your rights concerning Your PHI. We must follow the privacy practices that are described in this notice while it is in effect. This notice takes effect on April 14, 2004 or the date coverage became effective for You, whichever is later, and will remain in effect until We replace it.

We reserve the right to change Our privacy practices and the terms of this notice at any time, provided such changes are permitted by applicable law. We reserve the right to make the changes in Our privacy practices and the new terms of Our notice effective for all PHI that We maintain, including PHI We created or received before We made the changes. Before We make a significant change in Our privacy practices, We will change this notice and send the new notice to Our health plan subscribers at the time of the change.

You may request a copy of Our notice at any time. For more information about Our privacy practices, or for additional copies of this notice, please contact Us using the information listed at the end of this notice.

USES AND DISCLOSURES OF YOUR PHI

We use and disclose PHI about You for treatment, payment and health care operations. For example:

- **Treatment:** We may disclose Your PHI to a doctor, hospital or other health care provider on request when necessary to assist in Your treatment. For example, We might disclose Your PHI to assist in case managements or precertification activities.
- **Payment:** We may use and disclose Your PHI to pay claims from doctors, hospitals and other providers for services delivered to You that are covered by Your health plan. For example, We might disclose Your PHI to determine Your eligibility for benefits, to coordinate benefits, to examine medical necessity and to issue explanations of benefits to the person who subscribes to the health plan in which You participate. We may disclose Your PHI to a health care provider or entity subject to the federal Privacy Rules so they can obtain payment or engage in these payment activities.
- **Health Care Operations:** We may use and disclose Your PHI in connection with Our health care operations. Health care operations include:
 - o Rating Our risk and determining contributions for Your health plan;
 - o Quality assessment and improvement activities;
 - o Reviewing the competence or qualifications of health care professionals, evaluating practitioner and provider performance, conducting training programs, accreditation, certification, licensing or credentialing activities
 - o Medical review, legal services and auditing, including fraud and abuse detection and compliance;

- o Business planning and development; and
- o Business management and general administrative activities, including management activities relating to privacy, customer service, resolution of internal grievances, and creating de-identified PHI or a limited data set.

We may disclose Your PHI to another entity which has a relationship with You and is subject to the federal Privacy Rules, for their health care operations relating to quality assessment and improvement activities, reviewing the competence or qualifications of health care professionals, or detecting or preventing health care fraud and abuse.

ON YOUR AUTHORIZATION: You may give a written authorization to use Your PHI to disclose it to anyone for any purpose. If You give Us an authorization, You may revoke it in writing at any time. Your revocation will not affect any use or disclosure permitted by Your authorization while it was in effect. Unless You give Us a written authorization, We cannot use or disclose Your PHI for any reason except those described in this notice.

TO YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS: We may disclose Your PHI to a family member, friend or other person to the extent necessary to help with Your health care or with payment for Your health care. We may use or disclose Your name, location and general condition or death to notify or assist in the notification of (including identifying or locating) a person involved in Your care. Before We disclose Your PHI to a person involved in Your health care or payment for Your health care, We will provide You with an opportunity to object to such uses or disclosures. If You are not present, or in the event of Your incapacity or an emergency, We will disclose Your PHI based on Our professional judgment of whether the disclosure would be in Your best interest.

UNDERWRITING: We may receive Your PHI for underwriting, premium rating or other activities relating to the creation, renewal or replacement of a contract of health insurance or health benefits. We will not use or further disclose this PHI for any other purpose, except as required by law, unless the contract of health insurance or health benefits is placed with Us. In that case, Our use and Disclosure of Your PHI will only be as described in this notice.

DISASTER RELIEF: We may use or disclose Your PHI to a public or private entity authorized by law or by its charter to assist in disaster relief efforts.

PUBLIC BENEFIT: We may use or disclose Your PHI as authorized by law for the following purposes deemed to be in the public interest or benefit:

- As required by law;
- For public health activities, including disease and vital statistics reporting, child abuse reporting, FDA oversight, and to employers regarding work-related illness or injury;
- To report adult abuse, neglect or domestic violence;
- To health oversight agencies;
- In response to court and administrative orders and other lawful processes;
- To law enforcement officials pursuant to subpoenas and other lawful processes, concerning crime victims, suspicious deaths, crimes on Our premises, reporting crimes in emergencies and for purposes of identifying or locating a suspect or other person;
- To coroners, medical examiners and funeral directors;
- To organ procurement organizations;
- To avert a serious threat to health or safety;
- In connection with certain research activities;
- To the military and to federal officials for lawful intelligence, counterintelligence and national security activities;
- To correctional institutions regarding inmates; and
- As authorized by state workers compensation laws.

HEALTH RELATED SERVICES: We may use Your PHI to contact You with information about health-related benefits and services or about treatment alternatives that may be of interest to You. We may disclose Your PHI to a business associate to assist Us in these activities. We may use or disclose Your PHI to encourage You to purchase or use a product or service by face-to-face communication or to provide You with promotional gifts.

INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS

- **Access:** You have the right to look at or get copies of Your PHI, with limited exceptions. You may request that We provide copies in a format other than photocopies. We will use the format You request unless We cannot practicably do so. You must make a request in writing to obtain access to Your PHI when You make the request as an exercise of Your HIPAA Privacy rights. Many records are available without making the request as an exercise of HIPAA Privacy rights. You may obtain a form to request access by using the contact information listed at the end of this notice. If You request copies, We will charge You a fee for the costs of copying, other supplies and postage if You want the copies mailed to You and staff time associated with Your request. For information maintained off-site in archival warehouses or that is not reasonably identifiable and accessible, We will charge the actual cost of the time and other resources required to make the information available. If You request an alternative format, We will charge a cost-based fee for providing Your PHI in that format. If You prefer, We will prepare a summary or an explanation of Your PHI for a fee. Contact Us using the information listed at the end of this notice for a full explanation of Our fee structure.
- **Disclosure Accounting:** You have the right to receive a list of instances in which We or Our business associates disclosed Your PHI for purposes other than for treatment, payment, health care operations, as authorized by You, and for certain other activities since April 14, 2004 or the date coverage became effective for You, whichever is later. For example, We would account for Your PHI or demographic information We disclose during an audit by a government oversight agency or pursuant to a court order. You must make Your request in writing. We will provide You with the date on which We made a disclosure, the name of the person or entity to whom We disclosed Your PHI, a description of the PHI We disclosed, the reason for the disclosure and certain other information. If You request this accounting more than once in a 12-month period, We may charge You a reasonable, Cost-based, fee for responding to these additional requests. Contact Us using the information listed at the end of this notice for a full explanation of Our fee structure and how to make Your request.
- **Restriction:** You have the right to request that We place additional restrictions on Our use or disclosure of Your PHI. You must make a request in writing if you wish to request additional restrictions. You may obtain a form to request additional restriction by using the contact information listed at the end of this notice. We are not required to agree to these additional restrictions, but if We do, We will abide by Our agreement (except in an emergency). Both Your request and any agreement to additional restrictions must be in writing signed by the person making the request and (for Our agreement) by a person authorized to make such an agreement on Our behalf. We will not be bound unless Our agreement is so stated in writing.
- **Confidential Communications:** You have the right to request that We communicate with You about Your PHI by alternative means or to an alternative location. You must make Your request in writing, and You must state that the information could endanger You if it is not communicated in confidence as You request. We must accommodate Your request if it is reasonable, specifies that alternative means or location and continues to permit Us to collect premiums and pay claims under Your health plan, including issuance of explanations of benefits to the subscriber of the health plan in which You participate. An explanation of benefits issued to the subscriber for health care that You received for which You did not request confidential communications or about the subscriber or others covered by the health plan in which You participate may contain sufficient information to reveal that You obtained health care, even though You requested that We communicate with You about that health care in confidence. Other transactions under the membership may also detract from the level of confidentiality You might obtain from an alternate communication or address.
- **Amendment:** You have the right to request that We amend Your PHI. Your request must be in writing, and it must explain why the information should be amended. If You need information about making a request or amendment, contact Us using the contact information listed at the end of this notice. We may deny Your request if We did not create the information You want amended and the originator remains available or for certain other reasons. If We deny Your request, We will provide You a written explanation. You may respond with a statement of disagreement to be appended to the information You wanted amended. If We accept Your request to amend the information, We will make reasonable efforts to inform others, including giving people Your name, of the amendment and to include the changes in any future disclosures of that information.
- **Electronic Notice:** If You receive this notice on Our web site or by electronic mail (e-mail), You are entitled to receive this notice in written form. Please contact Us using the information listed at the end of this notice to obtain this notice in written form.

QUESTIONS AND COMPLAINTS

If You want more information about Our privacy practices or have questions or concerns, please contact Us using the information listed below. If You are concerned that We may have violated Your privacy rights, or You disagree with a decision We made about access to Your PHI or in response to a request You made to amend or restrict the use or disclosure of Your PHI or to have Us communicate with You by alternative means or at an alternative location, You may complain to Us using the contact information listed below. You also may submit a written complaint to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. We will provide You with the address to file Your complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services upon request. We support Your right to the privacy of Your PHI. We will not retaliate in any way if You choose to file a complaint with Us or with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

HEALTH RECORDS
(Request for Amendment
Form)

To: _____, the (_____ District) privacy official.

From: _____

Date: _____

I request that the district make the following amendment to protected health information:

I would like the amendment made for the following reason(s):

* * * * *

Note: The reader is encouraged to review policies and/or procedures for related information in this administrative area.

Implemented: (adopt, date) (Revise Date)
(_____ District)

**Adapt regulation for local use, remove from policy book
and distribute as necessary.**

ECH Printing and Duplicating Services (See IIBG and KBA)

ECH

The copy right laws of the United States make it illegal for anyone to duplicate copy righted materials without permission. Severe penalties are provided for unauthorized copying of all materials covered by the act unless the copying falls within the bounds of the "fair use" doctrine.

Any duplication of copy righted materials by district employees must be done with Permission of the copy right 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 copy right laws.

Approved: 8/09

Copyright Regulations and “fair use” rules for educators.

Suggested Handbook Language

In accordance with school board policy ECH, the following regulations will be observed to comply with the copyright laws of the United States.

Under the “fair use” doctrine, unauthorized reproduction of copyrighted materials is permissible for such purposes as criticism, comment, news reporting, teaching, scholarship or research. If duplicating or altering a product is to fall within the bounds of fair use, these four standards must be met for any of the purposes:

The Purpose and Character of the Use

The use must be for such purposes as teaching or scholarship and must be nonprofit. Fair use would probably allow teachers acting on their own to copy small portions of work for the classroom but would not allow a school system or an institution to do so.

The Nature of the Copyrighted Work

Copying portions of a news article may fall under fair use but not copying from a workbook designed for a course of study.

The Amount and Substantiality of the Portion Used

Copying the whole of a work cannot be considered fair use; copying a small portion may be. At the same time, however, extracting a short sequence from a 16mm film may be far different from a short excerpt from a textbook, because two or three minutes out of a 20-minute film might be the very essence of that production and thus outside fair use. Under normal circumstances, extracting small amounts out of an entire work would be fair use, but a quantitative test alone does not suffice.

The Effect of the Use Upon the Potential Market for or

Value of the Copyrighted Work

If resulting economic loss to the copyright holder can be shown, even making a single copy of certain materials is an infringement, and making multiple copies can result in greater penalties.

Prohibited Practice

No one may make multiple copies of a work for classroom use if it has already been copied for another class in the same institution; make multiple copies of a short poem, article, story, or essay from the same author more than once in a class term or make multiple copies from the same collective work or periodical issue more than three times a term; make multiple copies of works more than nine times in

the same class term; make a copy of works to take the place of an anthology; and may not make a copy of “consumable” materials, such as workbooks.

Permitted Practice

A teacher may make--for use in scholarly research, in teaching or in preparation for teaching a class--a single copy of the following: a chapter from a book; an article from a periodical or newspaper; a short story, short essay or short poem (whether or not from a collected work); a chart, graph, diagram, drawing, cartoons or picture from a book, periodical or newspaper; may make (for classroom use only and not to exceed one per student in a class) multiple copies of the following: a complete poem (if it has fewer than 250 words and is printed on not more than two pages), an excerpt from a prose work (if the excerpt has fewer than 1,000 words or 10 percent of the work, whichever is less) and one chart, graph, diagram, cartoon or picture per book or periodical.

A library may, for interlibrary-loan purposes, make up to six copies a year of a periodical published within the last five years, make up to six copies a year of small excerpts from longer works, make copies of unpublished works for purposes of preservation and security and make copies of out-of-print works that cannot be obtained at a fair price.

Guidelines for Off-Air Recording of Broadcast

Programming for Education Purposes

A broadcast program may be recorded off-air simultaneously with broadcast transmission (including simultaneous cable retransmission) and retained for a period not to exceed the first 45 consecutive calendar days after date of recording. Upon conclusion of such retention period, all off-air recordings must be erased or destroyed immediately.

Off-air recordings may be used once by individual teachers in the course of relevant teaching activities and repeated once, only when instructional reinforcement is necessary, in classrooms and similar places devoted to instruction within a single building, cluster or campus, as well as in the homes of students receiving formalized home instruction, during the first 10 consecutive school days in the 45 calendar day retention period. “School days” are school session days--not counting weekends, holidays, vacations, examination periods or other scheduled interruptions--within the 45 calendar day retention period.

Off-air recordings may be made only at the request of and used by individual teachers and may not be regularly recorded in anticipation of requests. No broadcast program may be recorded off-air more than once at the request of the same teacher, regardless of the number of times the program may be broadcast.

A limited number of copies may be reproduced from each off-air recording to meet the legitimate needs of teachers under these guidelines. Each such additional copy shall be subject to all provisions governing the original recordings.

After the first 10 consecutive school days, off-air recordings may be used up to the end of the 45 calendar day retention period only for evaluation purposes by the teacher, i.e., to determine whether or not to include the broadcast program in the teaching curriculum. They may not be used for student exhibition or any other non-evaluation purpose without authorization.

Off-air recordings need not be used in their entirety, but the recorded programs may not be altered from their original content. Off-air recordings may not be physically or electronically combined or merged to constitute teaching anthologies or compilations.

All copies of off-air recordings must include the copyright notice on the broadcast programs as recorded.

Computer Software

District employees may make a back-up copy of computer programs as permitted by current Federal Law. Back-up copies may be used for archival purposes only and all archival copies shall be destroyed in the event that continued possession of the computer program should cease to be rightful.

When software is used on a disk-sharing system, efforts shall be made to secure this software from copying.

Illegal copies of copyrighted programs shall not be made or used on school equipment.

Approved by Board of Education: _____Date

ED Student Transportation Management

ED

(See EDDA and JGG)

The district will provide transportation to students as required by law. Student transportation can be provided through any of the methods outlined by law.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

(See ED, JBCA, and JGG)

Use of buses and other school vehicles by the district shall conform to current law. 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 administrator. 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 vehicles, which may be lower than state-allowed maximum speed limits.

Safety Inspection

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee 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 or the superintendent's designee.

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 or the superintendent's designee.

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 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 provide proof of a valid driver's license appropriate for the vehicle(s) to be driven for the district to the superintendent or the superintendent's designee at the beginning of each school year. 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 be provided access to this policy annually.

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 vehicles are assigned to designated employees, the employee shall be responsible for the proper care, maintenance, and housing of the vehicle at a district-owned site, while on school business, or at the employee's residence.

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 or the superintendent's designee at least _____ days prior to the activity 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:

- the expense of providing requested transport;
- the availability of funds for such purpose;
- the availability of adequate school staff to chaperone and/or provide transportation;
- the availability of and/or the coverage of liability insurance for this purpose;
- priority of assignment and availability of necessary vehicles;
- Title IX and other fairness considerations in granting use or repeated use to a particular group of student participants; and
- other good cause as determined by the superintendent or the superintendent's designee.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

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.

The board may allow the following special uses for district owned buses:

- Parents and/or other adults when traveling to or from school-related functions or activities;
- Students traveling to or from functions or activities sponsored by organizations, the membership of which is principally composed of children of school age;
- Persons engaged in field trips related to an adult education program maintained by the district;
- Governing bodies of townships, city or county who transport individuals, groups or organizations;
- Nonpublic school students when traveling to or from interschool or intra-school functions or activities;
- Community college students enrolled in the community college to or from attendance at class at the community college or to and from functions or activities of the community college.

- A four-year college or university, area vocational school, or area vocational-technical school for transportation of students to or from attendance at class at the four-year college or university, area vocational school or area vocational-technical school, or for transportation of students, alumni and other members of the public to or from functions or activities of these organizations;
- Public recreation commissions, if travel is to or from an activity related to the operation of the commission;
- Another school district if there is a cooperative and shared-cost arrangement with that district.

Approved: 8/09

EE Food Services Management (See EBBD)

EE

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 5 meals to this account. Charging of a la carte or extra items to this account will not be permitted.

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://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/55284>. 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.

Availability of Meals on Remote Learning Days Due to Severe Weather

When severe weather or poor road conditions due to ice and/or snow threaten the safety of students, the superintendent may close district schools or designate such days as remote learning days pursuant to policy EBBD. On these days, the superintendent will determine whether the weather and road conditions allow for safe passage of students, staff, and parents for the provision, service, and transportation of school meals to students.

If the superintendent determines it is safe to provide meal service on these days, school meals will be provided, although the manner of provision may be modified by the superintendent. If the superintendent determines that it is not feasible due to safety concerns to provide meal service on such days, notice that school meals will not be available on that day will be provided to students, parents, and affected staff members. Any alteration of the usual meal service process on these days will be communicated to staff, students, and parents using regular district communication channels.

Approved: 12/16; 6/21

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.

Approved: 8/09

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FA **Goals and Objectives**

FA

Facility planning programs shall provide for new developments in instruction, population shifts, and changes in the condition of existing facilities.

Approved: 8/09

FB Building Committees

FB

Building committees may be appointed by the board to assess general or specific facility needs and to advise the board.

Approved: 8/09

FC Memorials, Funerals, and Naming of District Facilities (See KG) FC

Requests to use district buildings and/or facilities for displaying 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 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 and Memorial Services in District Facilities

Use of school facilities for funerals or memorial services 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.

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. The board shall consider naming requests after they are recommended by the superintendent.

Approved: 6/22

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 March.

Approved: 8/09

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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GA Personnel Policy Organization

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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-licensed staff.

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(See BDA, CM, and JA)

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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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. 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.

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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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. The district does not discriminate on the basis of sex in admissions, employment, or the educational programs or activities it operates and is prohibited by Title IX from engaging in such discrimination. Discrimination on the basis of sex, including sexual harassment, will not be tolerated in the school district. Discrimination on the basis of sex of employees or students of the district in any district education program or activity 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 Act Against Discrimination. All forms of sexual harassment are prohibited at school, on school property, and at all school-sponsored activities, programs, or events within the United States. It shall 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 conduct on the basis of sex involving one or more of the following: (1) A district employee conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the district on an individual's participation in unwelcomed sexual conduct; (2) unwelcomed conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the district's educational program or activity; or (3) sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking.

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 of a sexual nature; 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. Any person may make a verbal or written report of sex discrimination by any means and at any time.

(Position or name, address, email address, and phone number of the Title IX Coordinator) has been designated to coordinate compliance with nondiscrimination requirements contained in Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 regarding discrimination on the basis of sex, and the Kansas Act Against Discrimination. Information concerning the provisions of these Acts, and the rights provided thereunder, are available from the Title IX Coordinator. Inquiries about the application of Title IX to the district may be referred to the Title IX Coordinator; to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington D.C. 20202-1100, (800)421-3481, or at OCR@ed.gov; or both.

Response to Harassment Complaints

The district takes all reports of sexual harassment seriously and will respond meaningfully to every report of discrimination based on sex, including sexual harassment, of which the district has actual knowledge. 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 administrator or the Title IX Coordinator. All employees receiving reports of alleged sexual harassment shall notify the Title IX Coordinator.

Definitions

The following definitions apply to the district in responding to complaints of sexual discrimination including sexual harassment as defined by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Kansas Act Against Discrimination.

The "complainant" means an individual who is alleged to be a victim of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment.

"Dating violence" means violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved.

The "decision-maker" reviews all the evidence and prepares an impartial written responsibility determination as to whether the alleged conduct occurred and provides an opportunity for the parties and their representatives to prepare

written questions to be answered by the other party. The decision-maker shall not be the Title IX Coordinator or investigator.

“Domestic violence” includes crimes of violence committed by a person who is a current or former spouse, partner, person with whom the victim shares a child, or who is or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse or partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under Kansas or applicable federal law, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim having protection from such person’s acts by Kansas or applicable federal law.

A “formal complaint” means a document filed by a complainant or signed by the Title IX Coordinator alleging sexual harassment against a respondent and requesting that the district investigate the allegation of sexual harassment.

The “investigator” is the person who carries out the investigation after the formal complaint is filed and conducts interviews of the witnesses, collects and documents evidence, and drafts an investigative report.

A “respondent” is an individual who has been reported to be the perpetrator of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment.

“Sexual assault” means an offense classified as a forcible or nonforcible sex offense under the uniform crime reporting system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

“Stalking” means engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his or her safety or the safety of others or to suffer substantial emotional distress.

The “Title IX Coordinator” is the individual designated at the district level who has responsibility to coordinate compliance with Title IX of the

Education Amendments of 1972, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 regarding discrimination on the basis of sex, and the Kansas Act Against Discrimination. The Title IX Coordinator's responsibilities include, but are not limited to: developing materials and ensuring professional development occurs for staff involved in Title IX compliance, creating systems to centralize records, gathering relevant data, contacting the complainant (and/or parents or guardians, if applicable) once the district has actual knowledge of alleged sexual harassment, coordinating the implementation of supportive measures, signing a formal complaint to initiate a grievance process, and ensuring any remedies are implemented.

The Title IX Coordinator, any investigator, decision-maker, or any person who facilitates an informal resolution process shall not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against the complainant or respondent. These individuals shall receive training on the definition of sexual harassment; the scope of the education program and activities; how to conduct an investigation, including appeals and informal resolution processes; and how to serve impartially, including avoiding prejudgment of the facts, conflicts of interest, and bias. Decision-makers shall receive training on issues of relevance of questions and evidence, including when questions and evidence about the complainant's sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior are not relevant. Investigators shall receive training on issues of relevance of questions and evidence in order for them to create investigative reports that fairly summarize relevant evidence.

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 their immediate supervisor, building administrator, or Title IX

Coordinator. Employees who fail to report complaints or incidents of sexual harassment to appropriate district officials may face disciplinary action. District officials who fail to investigate and take appropriate corrective action in response to complaints of sexual harassment may also face disciplinary action.

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 stop it and prevent its reoccurrence.

The Title IX Coordinator shall promptly respond in a meaningful way to any reports of sexual discrimination including sexual harassment of which the district has actual knowledge as follows:

- Contact the complainant within 10 business days and discuss the availability of supportive measures, with or without the filing of a formal complaint, and consider the complainant's wishes as to supportive measures; and
- Inform the complainant of the right to a formal complaint investigation consistent with Title IX and the informal resolution process.

Supportive Measures

The district will treat the complainant and respondent equitably by offering supportive measures. These non-disciplinary and non-punitive measures

will be offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without cost to the complainant or the respondent. Supportive measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party. “Supportive Measures” shall include, but not be limited to, measures designed to protect the safety of all parties, to protect the district’s educational environment, or to deter sexual harassment. These measures may include counseling, extensions of deadlines or course-related adjustments, modifications of work or class schedules, escort services, mutual restrictions on contact between the parties, changes in work locations, leaves of absence, increased security and monitoring, and other similar measures. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for coordinating the effective implementation of supportive measures.

The Formal Complaint

No investigation of alleged sexual harassment may occur until after a formal complaint has been filed.

A formal complaint is a document filed by the complainant or signed by the Title IX Coordinator alleging sexual harassment and requesting an investigation. The procedures for filing a formal complaint are as follows:

- At the time of filing a formal complaint, a complainant must be participating in or attempting to participate in the education program or activity of the district concerning which the formal complaint is filed.

- 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. Filing of the complaint with the Title IX Coordinator may be done in person, by mail, or by email. If an individual does not wish to file a written complaint, and the matter has not been adequately resolved, the Title IX Coordinator may initiate the complaint. Forms for filing written complaints are available in each school building office and the central office.
- A complaint should be filed as soon as possible after the conduct occurs, but not later than 180 calendar days after the complainant becomes aware of the alleged violation, unless the conduct forming the basis for the complaint is ongoing.
- 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 a qualified individual designated by the Title IX Coordinator or another individual appointed by the board. The investigation shall be thorough. All interested persons, including the complainant and the respondent, will be afforded an opportunity to submit written or oral evidence relevant to the complaint.

Formal Complaint Notice Requirements

Upon filing of a formal complaint, the district shall provide written notice to the known parties including:

- Notice of the allegations of sexual harassment including sufficient details to prepare a response before any initial interview including:
 - the identities of the parties involved, if known;
 - the conduct allegedly constituting sexual harassment; and
 - the date and location of the alleged incident, if known.
- The district's investigation procedures, including any informal resolution process;
- A statement that the respondent is presumed not responsible for the alleged conduct and that a determination regarding responsibility will be made by the decision-maker at the conclusion of the investigation;
- Notice to the parties they may have an advisor of their choice and may inspect and review any evidence; and
- Notice to the parties of any provision in the district's code of conduct or policy that prohibits knowingly making false statements or knowingly submitting false information.

If, in the course of an investigation, the investigator decides to investigate allegations about the complainant or respondent that are not included in the notice initially provided, notice of the additional allegations shall be provided to known parties.

Formal Complaint Investigation Procedures

To ensure a complete and thorough investigation and to protect the parties, the investigator shall:

- Ensure that the preponderance of the evidence burden of proof and the burden of gathering evidence sufficient to reach a determination regarding responsibility rests on the district and not the parties;
- Provide an equal opportunity for the parties to present witnesses and evidence;
- Not restrict either party's ability to discuss the allegations under investigation or to gather and present relevant evidence;
- Allow the parties to be accompanied with an advisor of the party's choice;
- Provide written notice of the date, time, location, participants, and purpose of any interview, meeting, or hearing at which a party is expected to participate;
- Provide the parties equal access to review all the evidence collected which is directly related to the allegations raised in a formal complaint, including the investigative report, and the opportunity to respond to that evidence before a determination is made;
- Be impartial and objectively evaluate all relevant evidence without relying on sex stereotypes;
- Not have conflicts of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondent;

- Not make credibility determinations based on the individual's status as complainant, respondent, or witness.

Formal Complaint Investigation Report

The investigator shall prepare an investigative report that fairly summarizes relevant evidence and share the report with the parties and their advisors for review and response.

Before completing the investigative report, the investigator must send each party and their advisors the investigative report for review and allow the parties 10 days to submit a written response for the investigator's consideration.

Decision-Maker's Determination

Upon receiving the investigator's report, the decision-maker must make a determination regarding responsibility and afford each party the opportunity to submit written, relevant questions that the parties want asked of any party or witness, provide each party with the answers, and allow for additional, limited follow-up questions.

The decision-maker must issue a written determination regarding responsibility based on a preponderance of the evidence. The decision-maker's written determination shall:

- Identify the allegations potentially constituting sexual harassment;
- Describe the procedural steps taken, including any notifications to the parties, site visits, methods used to gather evidence, and interviews;
- Include the findings of fact supporting the determination;
- Address any district policies and/or conduct rules which apply to the facts;

- A statement of, and rational for, the result as to each allegation, including a determination regarding responsibility; and
- The procedures and permissible bases for the complainant and/or respondent to appeal the determination.

The written determination may, but is not required to, recommend disciplinary sanctions and any remedies designed to preserve access to the educational program or activity that may be provided by the district to the complainant.

A copy of the written determination shall be provided to both parties simultaneously.

The range of disciplinary sanctions and remedies may include, but may not be limited to, supportive measures, short term suspension, long term suspension, expulsion for students, and/or termination for employees. Complainants and respondents shall be treated equitably by providing remedies to a complainant where a determination of responsibility for sexual harassment has been made. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for the effective implementation of any remedies. 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 with or without pay or terminated, procedures outlined in board policy, the negotiated agreement (as applicable), and/or state law will be followed.

Records relating to complaints filed and their resolution shall be maintained by the Title IX Coordinator for seven years.

The decision becomes final on the date the parties receive the results of an appeal, if any appeal is filed, or on the date the opportunity for an appeal expires.

Appeals

The complainant or respondent may appeal the decision-maker's determination regarding responsibility or a dismissal of a formal complaint, on the following base:

- Procedural irregularity that affected the outcomes;
- New evidence that was not reasonably available at the time that could affect the outcome; and/or
- The Title IX Coordinator, investigator, or decision-maker had a conflict of interest or bias against either party that affected the outcome.

The request to appeal shall be made in writing to the Title IX Coordinator within 10 days after the date of the written determination. Appeals shall be a review of the record by an attorney, an independent hearing officer appointed by the board, or the board. The appeal decision-maker may not be the Title IX Coordinator, the Investigator, or the decision-maker from the original determination.

The appeal decision-maker will issue a written decision within 30 days after the appeal is filed. The appeal decision-maker will describe the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result.

The appeal decision-maker shall:

- Review the evidence gathered by the investigator, the investigator's report, and the original decision-maker's determination;
- Notify both parties in writing of the filing of an appeal and give them an opportunity to submit further evidence in writing;
- Not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainant or respondent and receive the required training;
- Issue a written decision and the rationale for the decision within 30 days after the appeal is filed;
- Describe the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result in the decision; and
- Provide the written decision simultaneously to both parties and to the Title IX Coordinator.

Informal Resolution Process

At any time during the formal complaint process and prior to reaching a determination regarding responsibility, the district may facilitate an informal resolution process, such as mediation, that does not involve a full investigation and determination of responsibility.

The informal resolution process may be facilitated by a trained educational professional, consultant, or other individual selected by the Title IX Coordinator under the following conditions:

- The parties are provided a written notice disclosing the allegations, the requirements of the informal resolution process, information on

when it may preclude the parties from resuming a formal complaint arising from the same allegations;

- At any time prior to agreeing to a resolution, any party has the right to withdraw from the informal resolution process and resume the investigation of the formal complaint and be informed of any consequences resulting from participating in the informal resolution process;
- The parties voluntarily and in writing consent to the informal resolution process; and
- The informal resolution process cannot be used to resolve allegations that an employee sexually harassed a student.

If the matter is resolved to the satisfaction of the parties, the facilitator shall document the nature of the complaint and the proposed resolution, have both parties sign the documentation and receive a copy, and forward it to the Title IX Coordinator. Within 20 days after the complaint is resolved in this manner, the Title IX Coordinator shall contact the complainant to determine if the resolution of the matter remains acceptable. If the matter is not resolved, or if the individual does not believe the resolution remains acceptable within 20 days after the informal resolution document is executed, the individual or the Title IX Coordinator may proceed with the formal complaint process.

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 appeal.

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.

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 sex discrimination including sexual harassment is prohibited. Any person who retaliates is subject to immediate disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

To the extent possible while still following the above procedures, confidentiality will be maintained throughout the investigation and resolution of a complaint. The desire for confidentiality must be balanced with the district's obligation to conduct a thorough investigation, to provide supportive measures to both parties, to take appropriate corrective action, and to provide due process to the complainant and the respondent.

False or malicious complaints of sexual harassment may result in corrective or disciplinary action against the complainant.

A summary of this policy and the complaint procedures including how to report or file a formal complaint of sex discrimination or sexual harassment shall be posted in each district facility, shall be published in employee handbooks, and on the district's website as directed by the Title IX Coordinator. Notification of

the policy may include posting information notices, publishing in local newspapers, publishing in newspapers and magazines operated by the school, or distributing memoranda or other written communications to students and employees. In addition, the district is required to include a statement of nondiscriminatory policy in any bulletins, announcements, publications, catalogs, application forms, or other recruitment materials that are made available to participants, students, applicants, or employees.

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(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 in any district education program or activity 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.

It shall 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Mobile Crisis Helpline

Crisis support for Kansas families and children to resolve an emotional, psychiatric, or behavioral health crisis is available through the Department of Children and Families Mobile Crisis Helpline, 1-833-441-2240, including:

- Problem solving to resolve behavioral health crisis;
- Referral to community resources or recommendation to engage in stabilization services;
- In-person support via mobile crisis response; and
- Contacting mobile crisis response unit to assist in emergency situations.

Services are available to all Kansans 20 years or younger including anyone in foster care or formerly in foster care.

Annual Training

Annual training for all school employees on child abuse and neglect reporting requirements shall be provided, and documentation of the training shall be maintained.

Approved: 8/09; 11/10; 9/11; 6/20;12/21

GAAE Bullying by Staff (See EBC, GAAB, JDD, and JDDC)

GAAE

The board of education prohibits bullying in any form, including electronic means, on or while using school property, in a school vehicle or at a school-sponsored activity or event. The administration shall propose, and the board shall review and approve a plan to address bullying on school property, in a school vehicle or at a school-sponsored activity or event.

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 pending a hearing and/or termination. If appropriate, staff members who violate the bullying prohibition shall be reported to local law enforcement.

Approved: 8/09

GAAE BULLYING BY ADULTS

-- Sample Form--

Report to Local Law Enforcement
USD 343

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 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/superintendent, USD 343; c/employee's file

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.

“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.

“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;
- 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

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 do or 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.

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 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.

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. Such documentation must 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,
- 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.

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.

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 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.

Approved: 6/16; 6/18

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.A.R. 91-42-1 through 92-42-7 provide 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:

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)

Approved- 6/22

GACA **Positions** (See CD and GACB)

GACA

Employment positions shall be authorized by the board.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/9

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/14; 6/19

REMOVE FROM POLICY AND FILE WITH
THE CLERK

APPLICANT JOB APPLICATION ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The following statements should be included on all job applications:

1. I certify that all the information provided by me in this application is true and complete. I understand that any misstatement, falsification, or omission of information is grounds for refusal to hire or, if I am hired and the same is discovered thereafter, termination.
2. I authorize any of the persons or organizations referenced in this application to give you any and all information concerning my previous employment, education, or any other information, personal or otherwise, with regard to any of the subjects covered by this application, and I release all such parties from all liability for any damages that may result from furnishing such information to you. I authorize any background checks by any third party.
3. I authorize you to request, receive, and verify all information given on this application and I release you from all damages that may result from your doing so.
4. I authorize you to conduct a criminal background investigation using any and all methods necessary to successfully complete such investigation, and I release you from all liability for any damages that may result from your doing so.

Signature of Applicant

Date

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, 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.

Approved: 8/09; 4/13; 6/19

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/19

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.

Approved: 6/18

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/19

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 have any interaction of a romantic and/or sexual nature with any student at any time regardless of the student's age or consent.

Approved:8/09; 6/21

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/19

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 6/15; 6/19

GAI **Solicitations** (See KDC)

GAI

All solicitations of and by staff members during duty hours are prohibited without prior approval of the appropriate supervisor.

Approved: 8/09

GAJ **Gifts** (See JL and 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

Approved: 8/09

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.

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,

Approved: 8/09; 12/16

Request to Release Personnel Records

(re: USD 343 Policy GAK)

To: _____: (Superintendent/records custodian: USD 343)

From: _____ (Employee or former employee)

I hereby request that my personnel records be copied and released to:

(Name of Organization/Official to whom records are to be sent)

Signed: _____

Date: _____

By requesting this release of my personnel records, I understand the administration may release the following information:

- my employment date(s);
- my job description and duties while in the district's employ;
- my last salary or wage;
- my wage history;
- whether I was voluntarily or involuntarily released from service and the reasons for the separation;
- written employee evaluations, which were conducted prior to my separation from USD 343

c/USD 343 files

The district shall comply with the salary basis requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). The board prohibits all managers from making any improper deductions from the salaries of exempt employees. Employees shall be made aware of this policy.

If an employee believes that an improper deduction has been made to his or her salary, the employee should immediately report this information to his or her direct supervisor or to the clerk of the board.

Reports of improper deductions shall be promptly investigated. If it is determined that an improper deduction has occurred, the employee shall be promptly reimbursed for any improper deduction made.

Approved: 8/09

GAM Personal Appearance

GAM

Appropriate dress and personal appearance is essential for all district employees.

Approved: 8/09

GAN **Travel Expenses** (See BBBF, CG, CEF, GBRC and GCA)

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 board.

Approved: 8/09

GAN TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT – FEDERAL PROGRAMS

(Sample Procedure)

TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT – FEDERAL PROGRAMS

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 non-federally 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 of Education.

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.

GANA Expense Reimbursement and Credit Cards (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 \$500.00 in one month 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.

Approved: 8/15

GAO Maintaining Proper Control (See JGFB)

GAO

Each employee is responsible for maintaining proper control in the school. 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.

Approved: 8/09

Maintaining a drug free work place is important in establishing an appropriate learning environment for the students of the district. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, sale, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the district.

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 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.

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.

Approved: 8/09

The unlawful possession, use, sale or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by school employees on school premises or as a part of any school activity is prohibited. This policy is required by the 1989 amendments to the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, P.L. 102-226, 103 St. 1928.

Employee Conduct

As a condition of continued employment in the district, all employees shall abide by the terms of this policy. Employees shall not unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess or use illicit drugs, controlled substances, or alcoholic beverages on district property or at any school activity. 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 will be subject to any of the following sanctions:

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 dismissal from employment.

Prior to applying sanctions under this policy, employees will be afforded 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 which is provided for in district policies or the negotiated agreement. 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. Drug and alcohol counseling and rehabilitation programs are available for employees of the district. A list of available programs along with names and addresses of contact persons for the program 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.

A copy of this policy shall be provided to all employees.

Approved: 8/09

GAOC Use of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Devices
(See JCDA)

GAOC

Effective July 1, 2011, the use of all tobacco products (cigarettes, cigars, pipes and smokeless tobacco) is prohibited in or on all school district property. The policy applies to everyone working on, working in, using or visiting school district properties. It applies to personal vehicles on school district property and district-owned vehicles.

This policy further prohibits tobacco industry advertising, marketing, and sponsorship on district property, at school functions, and in school publications. In addition, the exhibition of tobacco-oriented gear or paraphernalia by staff and students is prohibited.

(The Grantville facility will be exempt from this policy until the current lease contract is renewed.)

Administrative Implemental Procedures:

1. While this policy does not require employees to quit tobacco use, the school district supports and encourages all efforts by employees to quit tobacco use. The district will provide smoking cessation materials to assist employees.
2. Employees who violate this policy will be subject to the following progressive discipline:
 - a. The first violation will result in a verbal reminder to the employee of the policy,
 - b. The second violation will result in a written reprimand,
 - c. The third violation will result in the employee participating in tobacco use cessation training, and
 - d. The fourth and subsequent violations will result in a one-day suspension without pay.
3. Parents, vendors, and visitors will be informed of the tobacco-free policy through signage, announcements, and letters to homes and vendors. Visitors to school district property will be informed of the policy and asked to leave the premises if they refuse to comply.

Approved: 2/14/2011

Effective: 7/01/2011

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 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 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.

Approved: 6/15; 6/19

Salary deductions shall be made if permitted by board policy, the negotiated agreement, or required 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.

Approved: 8/09

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 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 excluded from district owned or operated property for the duration of the contagiousness in order to give maximum health protection to other district employees and to students.

The employee shall be allowed to return to duty upon recovery from the illness, when the employee is no longer contagious as authorized by the employee's physician or local health officer, or after the expiration of any period of isolation or quarantine.

The board reserves the right to require a written statement from the employee's physician or local health officer 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 or local health officer 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 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 district personnel without the employee's consent except as allowed by 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.

Approved: 8/09, 12/20

GARA Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure Control Plan

GARA

The board shall adopt an exposure control plan which conforms with current regulations of the Kansas Department of Human Resources (KDHR).

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.

Approved: 8/09; 1/15

Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens in USD #343

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**EXPOSURE CONTROL PLAN
FOR BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS IN
U.S.D. NO. 343, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KANSAS**

INTRODUCTION

In late 1991, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration issued safety standard regulations for the handling of bloodborne pathogens by entities subject to its control. Although public entities in the State of Kansas are not subject to OSHA, state statutes give the Kansas Department of Labor the authority to inspect public entities, such as school districts, for safety. In the spring of 1992, KDHR (now Kansas Department of Labor) announced that it would apply the OSHA standard for bloodborne pathogens to public entities in the State of Kansas. This Exposure Control Plan will be implemented in U.S.D. No. 343 to achieve compliance with the state directive.

EXPOSURE DETERMINATION

For purposes of this plan "occupational exposure" means reasonably anticipated skin, eye, mucous membrane, or parenteral (piercing mucous membranes or the skin barrier through needle sticks, human bites, cuts, abrasions, etc.) contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials (OPIMs) that may result from the performance of the employee's duties. OPIMs include body fluids such as semen, vaginal secretions, respiratory discharge, tears, vomitus, urine, feces, saliva in dental procedures, etc. For purposes of this plan, employees of the district, by job classifications have been divided into three categories:

Category I

All employees in the following job classifications at U.S.D. No. 343 have occupational exposure: Principals, custodians, building secretaries, school nurses, and coaches

Category II

Some employees in the following job classifications in U.S.D. No. 343 may have an occasional occupational exposure:

Teachers, teacher aides, bus drivers, some paraprofessionals, and persons who occasionally render first aid

Category III

Some employees in U.S.D. No. 343 are unlikely to have occupational exposure. Their job classifications include:

Central office administrators and clerical personnel

IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE AND METHODOLOGY

METHODS OF COMPLIANCE

"Universal Precautions" is an approach to infection control. According to the concept of Universal Precautions, all human blood and certain human body fluids are treated as if known to be infectious for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) or Hepatitis B Virus (HBV). Universal Precautions shall be observed in U.S.D. No. 343 to prevent contact with blood and OPIMs.

ENGINEERING AND WORK PRACTICE CONTROLS

Engineering and work practice controls will be used to eliminate or minimize all employee exposure. Where exposure potential remains, personal protective equipment shall also be used.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Engineering controls are controls which isolate or remove the bloodborne pathogen hazard from the workplace. The following engineering controls will be used in the district:

The district will maintain appropriate containers for the disposal of needles or sharps in appropriate areas of each school in the district.

The district will maintain appropriate receptacles for the deposit of contaminated clothing, protective clothing, and other articles.

Engineering controls will be examined, maintained or replaced on a regularly scheduled basis.

CONTROL	INSPECTED	BY TIMELINE
Sharps disposal containers	School nurse	Monthly
Receptacles	Custodian	Daily

WORK PRACTICE CONTROLS

Work practice controls are those controls that reduce the likelihood of an exposure by altering the manner in which the task is performed.

The following work practice controls apply in U.S.D. No. 343:

Contaminated needles will not be bent, recapped or removed and will be disposed of in appropriately labeled containers.

Eating, drinking, smoking, applying cosmetics, applying lip balm and the handling of contact lenses is prohibited in areas where there is a reasonable likelihood of occupational exposure.

Food and drink cannot be kept in any area where blood or OPIMs are present.

Procedures involving blood or OPIMs will be performed in a manner to minimize splashing, spraying, or spattering.

Mouth suctioning of blood or OPIMs is prohibited.

Specimens of blood or OPIMs should not be brought to or taken in the school. If specimens of blood or OPIMs are present in the school, they should be in leak-proof containers, appropriately labeled, and closed prior to storing or transporting.

Equipment which may become contaminated with blood or OPIMs shall be decontaminated, or appropriately labeled, as soon as is feasible after the contamination occurs. Affected employees and, if necessary, outside servicing agents, will be informed of the contamination of the equipment prior to any handling, servicing or shipping of the equipment.

HANDWASHING FACILITIES

Handwashing facilities are provided for all students and employees of the district. Because washing one's hands with soap and running water is one of the most effective ways to prevent the spread of disease through blood or OPIMs, employees shall wash their hands with soap and water whenever exposure occurs. Although handwashing may be advisable in other situations, employees must thoroughly wash their hands, or any other exposed or contaminated skin with soap and water in these situations:

1. Immediately after the removal of gloves or other personal protective equipment.
2. Following contact of hands or other skin with blood or OPIMs.

In some situations, such as on athletic facilities or field trips, handwashing facilities may not be available. In this case, the person in charge of the event (football coach, teacher who is taking the class on a field trip, etc.) shall ensure that antiseptic towelettes are available for use. Antiseptic hand cleaner or towelettes which may be used for this purpose are stored in the school office and may be obtained through the school secretary or principal. Whenever an employee uses an antiseptic towelette, the employee shall thoroughly wash his or her hands with soap and water as soon as it is feasible to get to a handwashing facility.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

It shall be the responsibility of each building principal to ensure that appropriate personal protective equipment is available and readily accessible for each employee's use at no cost to the employee. The principal shall also ensure that all employees use personal protective equipment when there is occupational exposure. In the event that an employee, exercising his or her personal judgment, fails to use protective equipment, the circumstances will be investigated and documented in order to determine whether changes can be instituted to prevent future occurrences.

It shall be the responsibility of any employee who uses personal protective equipment to place the equipment in the appropriately designated receptacle for storage, washing, decontamination or disposal after its use.

The school district shall be responsible for storing, cleaning, laundering, decontaminating, repairing, replacing or disposing of such equipment.

All personal protective equipment which is penetrated by blood or OPIMs should be removed as soon as is feasible and placed in the appropriate receptacle.

Personal protective equipment may be checked out or obtained for use by contacting the building principal. The following personal protective equipment is available in the district for use by its employees:

Gloves. Gloves shall be worn by any employee when it is reasonably anticipated that there will be hand contact with blood, OPIMs, mucous membranes or non-intact skin. Gloves shall also be worn when handling or touching contaminated items or surfaces.

Disposable (single use) gloves are available for employee use in situations where such use is warranted or directed. These gloves should be deposited by the employee in the appropriate container for disposal immediately following their use. Handwashing after removing the gloves is required.

Utility gloves are assigned to some employees. These gloves may be decontaminated for reuse, and should be deposited in the appropriate container for washing of decontamination. Any employee to whom utility gloves are assigned shall be responsible for regularly inspecting these gloves for punctures, cracking or deterioration. The employee shall dispose of such gloves when their ability to function as a barrier is compromised. The employee shall report the disposal of the gloves to the building principal who shall ensure that a new pair of utility gloves is assigned to the employee.

Masks, eye protection, and face shields. This type of protective equipment shall be worn whenever splashes, spray, splatter or droplets of blood or OPIMs may be generated and eye, nose or mouth contamination can be reasonably anticipated.

Gowns, lab coats, aprons, and other protective body clothing. This type of protective clothing shall be worn in occupational exposure situations. The type of protective clothing necessary will depend on the degree of exposure, and shall be left to the employee's judgment.

HOUSEKEEPING

It shall be the responsibility of building principals to see that each worksite and building in the district is maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

All equipment and environmental and working surfaces shall be cleaned and decontaminated with an appropriate disinfectant as soon as feasible after contact with blood or OPIMs.

Protective coverings used to cover equipment and environmental surfaces shall be removed and decontaminated or replaced as soon as feasible when they become overtly contaminated.

All bins, pails, cans, and waste paper baskets shall be inspected, cleaned, and decontaminated on a regularly scheduled basis, or as soon as feasible upon visible contamination.

Broken glassware shall not be picked up by hand, but by using a broom and dustpan, tongs, vacuum cleaner or other mechanical means.

All contaminated and regulated waste will be disposed of in compliance with state and federal regulations.

LAUNDRY

The school district will use Universal Precautions with all soiled or contaminated laundry. Any contaminated items which can be laundered will be bagged at the site of the contamination and handled as little as possible. If the items are wet, leak proof bags or containers shall be used. Such items shall not be sorted or rinsed at the site of the contamination. The bags shall be deposited in the appropriately labeled receptacle in the building. Any employee who comes into contact with contaminated items or laundry shall wear gloves and other personal protective equipment as deemed necessary or appropriate.

HEPATITIS B VACCINATION

The School District will make the Hepatitis B vaccine and vaccination series available to any employee of the district, not covered by health insurance which pays 100% of vaccination costs, who has occupational exposure and falls within Category I of the exposure determination. In light of the OSHA directive in early July, 1992, indicating that persons who render first aid only as a collateral duty, responding solely to injuries resulting from work place incidents, generally at the location where the injury occurred may be offered post-exposure vaccination rather than pre-exposure vaccination, the district will make the Hepatitis B vaccine and vaccination series available to employees in categories II and III within 24 hours of possible exposure to HBV.

The Hepatitis B vaccination and any medical evaluation required before the vaccine can be administered will be provided to the employee, not covered by health insurance which pays 100% of vaccination costs, at no cost. No employee shall be required to participate in a prescreening program as a prerequisite for receiving the Hepatitis B vaccination. The vaccine will be offered after the employee has received training on bloodborne pathogens and within 10 working days of an employee's initial assignment to work involving the potential for occupational exposure, unless the employee has previously been vaccinated, antibody testing has revealed that the employee is immune, or the vaccine is contradicted for medical reasons.

Employees who decline the Hepatitis B vaccine will sign a waiver form as required by Appendix A of the OSHA standard. (A copy of the required waiver form is attached to this plan.) The superintendent shall be responsible for assuring that vaccination information is offered, and that the necessary waiver is signed and appropriately filed for any employee who declines to accept the Hepatitis B vaccination which was offered. Any employee who initially declines the Hepatitis B vaccination may later request the vaccination. The district will provide the vaccination for the employee at that time.

The Jefferson County Health Department will administer the vaccine to employees of the district, not covered by health insurance which pays 100% of vaccination costs. The district will determine on a case-by-case basis the schedule and location for administering the vaccine to district employees.

Although booster doses of Hepatitis B vaccine are not currently recommended by the U.S. Public Health Service, if such booster doses are recommended in the future, the district will make the booster doses available at no cost to all employees, not covered by health insurance which pays 100% of vaccination costs, who have category I occupational exposure.

REPORTING PROCEDURES FOR FIRST AID INCIDENTS

Whenever an employee in category II or III is involved in a first aid incident which results in potential exposure, the employee shall report the incident to his/her immediate supervisor before the end of the work shift during which the incident occurred. The employee must provide the immediate supervisor with the names of all first aid providers involved in the incident, a description of the circumstances of the accident, the date and time of the incident, and a determination of whether an exposure incident, as defined in the OSHA standard and this policy, has occurred. The information shall be reduced to writing by the supervisor and maintained in the first aid incident report file. The district will maintain a list of such first aid incidents which will be readily available to all employees and provided to KDHR upon request. Any employee who renders first aid or other assistance in any situation involving the presence of blood or OPIMs, regardless of whether or not a specific exposure incident occurs, will be offered the full Hepatitis B immunization series as soon as possible, but in no event later than 24 hours after the incident occurs. If an exposure incident has occurred, other post-exposure evaluation and follow-up procedures will be initiated as well.

POST-EXPOSURE EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

An exposure incident occurs when there is specific mucous membrane, non-intact skin or parenteral contact with blood or OPIMs. Whenever an employee has an exposure incident in the performance of his or her duties, an opportunity for a confidential post-exposure evaluation and follow-up will be provided to the employee, if not covered by health insurance, at the expense of the district.

Post-exposure evaluation and follow-up shall be performed by a physician, Jefferson County Health Department, or other health services agency, according to recommendations of the U.S. Health Service current at the time these evaluations and procedures take place. The district will make sure that any laboratory tests required by the evaluation or follow-up procedures are conducted at an accredited laboratory at no cost to the employee, in the event the employee is not covered by health insurance which pays 100% of the costs.

Whenever an exposure incident occurs, the exposed employee shall report the incident to the administrator responsible for the employee's school or department, who will explain to the employee his or her right to a post-exposure evaluation and follow-up. If the employee desires an evaluation, the administrator will contact the Jefferson County Health Department as soon as feasible to arrange for the post-exposure evaluation for the employee.

A post-exposure evaluation and follow-up will include the following elements:

1. Documentation of the circumstances under which the exposure incident occurred, including the route(s) of the employee's exposure.
2. Identification and documentation of the source individual whose blood or OPIMs caused the exposure, unless identification is infeasible or prohibited by law.

3. Unless the source individual is known to be infected with HBV or HIV, the school district will seek the consent of the source individual for blood testing for HBV or HIV. Failure to obtain consent will be documented by the district.
4. If the source individual consents, results of the source individual's blood testing will be made available to the exposed employee, along with information on laws concerning the disclosure of the identity and infectious status of the source individual.
5. If the exposed employee consents, blood testing of his or her blood will be completed as soon as possible. If the employee consents to baseline blood collection, but not to HIV serologic testing, the blood sample will be retained for 90 days. The employee may request testing of the sample at any time during the 90-day period.
6. The exposed employee will be offered post-exposure prophylaxis in accordance with current recommendations of the U.S. Public Health Service. These recommendations are currently as follows: If the source individual has AIDS, is HIV positive, or refuses to be tested, the employee should be counseled regarding the risk of infection and evaluated clinically and serologically for evidence of HIV infection as soon as possible after the exposure. The employee should be advised to report and seek medical evaluation for any acute febrile illness that occurs within 12 weeks after the exposure. Retesting on a periodic basis may be necessary. During this follow-up period, especially the first 6-12 weeks after exposure, the employee should follow recommendations for preventing the transmission of the virus.
7. The exposed employee will be offered counseling concerning precautions to take during the period after the exposure incident. The employee will also be given information on what potential illnesses to be alert for and to report any related experiences to appropriate personnel. Reports should be made to the administrator in charge of the employee's building or department.

WORKING WITH THE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL

The Clerk of the Board will provide the Jefferson County Health Department with a copy of the OSHA regulation governing bloodborne pathogens, and ensure that the Jefferson County Health Department is provided with: a description of the employee's duties as they relate to the exposure incident, documentation of the circumstances under which the exposure incident occurred, results of the source individual's blood test (if available), and all medical records which the district is required to maintain which are relevant to the appropriate treatment of the employee, including the employee's vaccination status.

WRITTEN OPINION OF THE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL

Following post-exposure evaluation, the health care professional shall provide the school district with a copy of his or her written opinion within 15 days after the completion of the evaluation. This opinion shall include:

1. An opinion on whether Hepatitis B vaccination is indicated for the employee, and if the employee has received the vaccination.
2. A statement that the employee has been informed of the results of the evaluation and about any medical conditions resulting from exposure to blood or OPIMs which require further evaluation or treatment.

All other findings or diagnoses shall remain confidential between the employee and the health care provider and shall not be included in the written opinion.

COMMUNICATION OF HAZARDS TO EMPLOYEES

LABELING

Any container which contains used needles, blood or OPIMs in the district shall be appropriately labeled with a "BIOHAZARD" label, or shall be red in color. All "BIOHAZARD" labels will have a fluorescent orange or orange-red background and have the biohazard symbol and the word "BIOHAZARD" in a contrasting color.

Any receptacle used for the disposal or deposit of contaminated materials for laundering or discard will be red in color, appropriately labeled or lined with red biohazard bags. Any equipment which is contaminated will be appropriately labeled.

TRAINING

A training program on bloodborne pathogens will be provided for all employees with occupational exposure. Training will be provided during working hours, and at no cost to the employee. Attendance at training sessions is mandatory.

Initial training will be provided for all employees within 60 days after the adoption of this exposure control plan. Thereafter an employee will be provided with training at the time of initial assignment to tasks where occupational exposure may occur. Annual training for all employees will be provided within one year of their previous training. Additional training will be provided if changes in an employee's assignments affect the employee's occupational exposure.

The training program will be conducted by a person who is knowledgeable in the subject matter covered by the elements contained in the training program as it relates to the workplace that the training will address, and presented in a manner which is understandable for all employees.

The training program will contain, at a minimum, the following elements: (1) A copy of the OSHA standard and explanation of its contents; (2) A general explanation of the epidemiology and symptoms of bloodborne diseases; (3) An explanation of the modes of transmission of bloodborne pathogens; (4) An explanation of the exposure control plan and information on how the employee may obtain a copy of the plan; (5) An explanation of the appropriate methods for recognizing tasks and other activities that may involve exposure to blood and OPIMs; (6) An explanation of the use and limitations of methods, such as engineering controls, work practices, and personal protective equipment, that will prevent or reduce exposure; (7) Information on the Hepatitis B vaccine, including information on its efficacy, safety, method of administration, benefits, and the conditions under which it is offered, free of charge, to employees; (8) Information on the appropriate actions to take and the persons to contact in an emergency involving blood or OPIMs; (9) An explanation of the procedure to follow if an exposure incident occurs, including the method of reporting and the medical follow-up that will be made available at no charge; (10) Information on the post-exposure evaluation and follow-up following an exposure incident; (11) An explanation of labeling and color coding; and (12) An opportunity for questioning the person conducting the training session.

RECORDKEEPING

MEDICAL RECORDS

The school district will establish and maintain a confidential medical record for each employee with occupational exposure. This record will include: (1) the name and social security number of the employee; (2) a copy of the employee's Hepatitis B vaccination status, including the dates the vaccination was given, any medical records relative to the employee's ability to receive the vaccination, or the employee's signed waiver; (3) a copy of all results of examinations, medical testing, and follow-up procedures; (4) a copy of the health care professional's written opinion following post-exposure evaluation and follow-up; and (5) a copy of any information provided to the health care professional under the evaluation and follow-up procedures.

The medical records of employees maintained under this policy will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed to any person, except as required by law, without the employee's express written consent. Medical records required under this plan will be maintained for the duration of the employee's employment, and for thirty years thereafter.

TRAINING RECORDS

The school district will maintain records of all training sessions offered to employees under this plan. Such records will include: The dates of the training session; a summary of the contents of the session; the name(s) and qualifications of the persons conducting the training; and the names and job titles of all persons attending the training sessions. Training records will be kept for at least three years from the date on which the training occurred. Employee training records will be made available for inspection to employees, anyone having the written consent of the affected employee, and to Kansas Department of Labor upon request.

ACCESSIBILITY AND REVIEW

A copy of this Exposure Control Plan will be accessible to all employees of the district in the central office of each building in the district. Any employee will be provided with a copy of the plan at no cost upon request.

A copy of this plan will also be made available to Kansas Department of Labor upon request.

This Exposure Control Plan will be reviewed and updated at least annually, or whenever necessary to reflect new or modified tasks and procedures which affect occupational exposure, or to reflect new or revised employee positions with occupational exposure. The superintendent shall be responsible for scheduling the annual review of this plan.

HEPATITIS B VACCINE DECLINATION FORM

I understand that due to my occupational exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials I may be a risk of acquiring hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection. I have been given the opportunity to be vaccinated with hepatitis B vaccine, at no charge to myself. However, I decline hepatitis B vaccination at this time. I understand that by declining this vaccine, I continue to be at risk of acquiring hepatitis B, a serious disease. If in the future I continue to have occupational exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials and I want to be vaccinated with hepatitis B vaccine, I can receive the vaccination series at no charge to me.

Date

Signature of Employee

[NOTE: This waiver form is Appendix A to the OSHA standard. It must be signed in this form by any employee who has occupational exposure and who declines the vaccination after receiving training on the vaccination. If an employee decides to decline the vaccination, this form should be filed in the employee's medical record.]

FIRST AID INCIDENT REPORT

1. Date and time of the first aid incident:

2. Names of all first aid providers:

3. Description of the accident or incident, and the circumstances surrounding it, which resulted in the need for first aid procedures:

4. Did an exposure incident occur? YES or NO
(An exposure incident occurs when there is specific mucous membrane, non-intact skin or parenteral contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials. Parenteral contact means the piercing of mucous membranes or the skin barrier through needles ticks, human bites, cuts, abrasions, etc.)

5. Post-exposure evaluation and follow-up (were) (were not) offered.
[If the affected employee believes that an exposure incident has occurred, the employee should be offered post-exposure evaluation and follow-up and the post-exposure evaluation and follow-up form should also be completed.]

6. The affected employee was offered the full Hepatitis B immunization series at (fill in time and date)
[NOTE: The Hepatitis B vaccine must be offered as soon as possible, but in no event later than 24 hours after the incident occurs. The vaccine must be offered whenever a first aid incident occurs, whether or not an exposure incident has occurred.]

Date and time of the report

Signature of responsible person

[This report will be filed in the employee's medical record. A copy of the report will be filed in the first aid incident report file.]

POST-EXPOSURE EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP REPORT

1. Name of the employee who had an exposure incident.
2. Date, time, and place of the exposure incident.
3. A description of the circumstances under which the exposure incident occurred:
4. A description of the route(s) of the employee's exposure:
5. Information on the source individual:
 - a) The identity of the source individual (is) (is not) known. [If the answer is "is not" go to question 6]
 - b) The source individual (is) (is not) known to be infected with HBV or HIV. [If the answer is "is" go to question 6.]
 - c) The school district, through ____ (name) sought the consent of the source individual to blood testing. The source individual (did) (did not) consent to blood testing. [If the answer is "did not" go to question 6.]
 - d) The source individual (did) (did not) consent to having the results of the blood test released to the school district and to the affected employee. :: {If the answer is "did not" go to question 6. If the answer is "did" the affected employee and any employee who receives the information on behalf of the district should be instructed that such information must be kept confidential pursuant to Kansas law. }
 - e) (Name of responsible employee) made the results of the source individual's blood test available to the affected employee on (date).
6. (Exposed employee) was informed of his/her right to post-exposure evaluation and follow-up by (responsible employee) on (date). (Exposed employee) was informed that (name of health care professional) would perform the evaluation at (name of health care facility), at the expense of the district, and that (responsible employee) would arrange an appointment for the evaluation. (Exposed employee) (declined) (accepted) the offer and the appointment (was) (was not) made.
7. (Responsible employee) offered (exposed employee) post-exposure prophylaxis in accordance with current recommendations of the U.S. Public Health Service on (date).
8. (Responsible employee) offered (exposed employee) counseling with (name of nurse, physician or counselor) concerning precautions to take during the period after the exposure incident. Such counseling also included information on potential illnesses. (Exposed employee) was instructed to report any related experiences to (responsible employee).

Date of report

Signature of Responsible Employee

[This report will be filed in the employee's medical record. A copy of this report will be provided to the health care professional doing the evaluation along with a copy of the OSHA regulation, a description of the employee's duties as they relate to the exposure incident, the result of the source individual's blood test, if available, and a copy of the employee's medical record.]

ATTACHMENT #4

DOCUMENTATION OF TRAINING

1. Date of training session.

2. Place that training was offered.

3. Summary of the contents of the training session: [In lieu of summarizing the materials the district may attach the materials to the training report.]

4. Names and job titles of all persons attending the training session.

[This report should be filed in the training file, and kept for at least three years after the training session occurs.]

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.

Approved: 8/09

(Remove this page from the policy book)

SAMPLE: FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE PLAN

Family and medical leave as required by federal law shall be granted for a period of not more than 12 weeks during a 12-month period. For purposes of this policy, a 12-month period shall be defined as a fiscal year beginning on July 1 and ending the following June 30. Spouses employed by the district may only take an aggregate of 12 weeks of leave for a birth or adoption of a child or to care for a child with a serious health condition.

Leave is available because of (1) the birth of a son or daughter of the employee and to care for the son or daughter; (2) the placement of a son or daughter with the employee for adoption or foster care; (3) the need to care for a spouse, son, daughter or parent of the employee because of a serious health condition; or (4) a serious health condition of the employee that prevents the employee from performing the job functions. (Leave for reason 1 or 2 must be taken within 12 months of birth or placement.)

The leave shall normally be unpaid leave. However, if the employee has any paid vacation, personal, sick or disability leave that is available for use because of the reason for the leave, the paid leave shall be used first and counted toward the annual family and medical leave. The superintendent will notify the employee of the beginning date of family and medical leave and the amount of the employee's accrued paid leave designated as family and medical leave.

The employee is eligible for family and medical leave upon completion of 12 months of service in the district and employed at least 1250 hours during the preceding year.

During the period of any unpaid family and medical leave the board shall continue to pay the employer's share of the cost of group health benefits in the same manner as paid immediately prior to the leave. Any employee portion of the cost shall be paid by the employee to the clerk of the board on the payroll date or other time as the employee and superintendent may agree. The board may terminate group health coverage if the employee payment is not received within 30 days of the due date.

When leave is foreseeable, the employee shall give written notice 30 days in advance. If leave is not foreseeable, notice will be given as soon as practicable.

Upon the employee providing notice of need for leave, the employer will notify the employee of:

- a. the reasons that leave will count as family and medical leave,
- b. any requirements for medical certification,
- c. employer requirement of substituting paid leave,
- d. requirements for premium payments for health benefits and employee responsibility for repayment if employer pays employee share,
- e. right to be restored to same or equivalent job,
- f. any employer required fitness-for-duty certifications.

Family leave (reasons 1 or 2) may not be used intermittently or on a part-time basis without the prior approval of the superintendent.

FMLA-2

The superintendent may require an instructional employee to continue leave until the end of a semester if the leave begins more than five (5) weeks before the end of a semester, lasts more than three (3) weeks and the return would occur during the last three (3) weeks of the semester.

If the leave is for a reason other than the employee's serious health conditions, the superintendent may require an instructional employee to continue leave until the end of a semester, if:

1. the leave begins in the last five (5) weeks of a semester, will last more than two (2) weeks and the return to work would occur in the last two (2) weeks of a
2. the leave begins in the last three (3) weeks of a semester, and lasts more than five (5) days.

GARID Military Leave

GARID

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) year limit. Reemployment protection does not depend on the timing, frequency, duration or nature of an individual’s service.

GARID Military Leave

GARID-2

The 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 law. 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 service 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, healthcare 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, if the giving of notice is otherwise impossible or unreasonable.

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:

- 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 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.

Approved: 8/10

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/19

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, other administrators under whose supervision the teacher works, and others authorized by law.

Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation criteria shall be established by the board.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

GBN Nonrenewal and Termination

GBN

Nonrenewal or termination shall be in accordance with Kansas law and the negotiated agreement, as applicable.

Approved: 8/09; 6/19

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 and when such resignations are accompanied by full payment for any applicable liquidated damages due to the board for release from contract pursuant to the negotiated agreement.

If the licensed employee terminates employment in the district without complying with board policy and the negotiated agreement on liquidated damages, 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/18

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 non-renewed 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.

Approved: 8/09

GBQA Reduction of Teaching Staff

GBQA-2

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.

Approved:6/14

Licensed 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.

Work Schedules

The minimum length of the school day for licensed and professional staff shall be defined in the negotiated agreement. Work schedules for other employees shall be defined by the superintendent consistent with the Fair Labor

Standards Act (FLSA) and the provisions of this policy.

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

GBRD Staff Meetings

GBRD

Staff meetings for licensed personnel shall be called by the administration.

Approved: 8/09; 6/19

The board may establish other educational assignments that may extend beyond the school day or time class is in session.

Approved: 8/09

GBRG Non-School Employment

GBRG

The board reserves the right of exclusive access to the professional services of licensed employees in accordance with the terms of the contract.

Licensed employees shall not engage in outside employment which interferes with their duties.

Approved: 8/09

GBRGA Consulting

GBRGA

Licensed 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.

Approved: 8/09

GBRGB Tutoring for Pay

GBRGB

Teachers shall not receive pay for tutoring or private instruction at school unless approved in advance by the board.

Approved: 8/09

GBRH Leaves and Absences (See GBRC)

GBRH

Licensed employees will be provided with paid and unpaid leave in See Negotiated Agreement accordance with applicable law and the negotiated agreement. The board reserves the right to grant additional leave.

Approved: 8/09; 6/19

GBRIBA Disability Leave

GBRIBA

The board may grant leave of absence for disability with or without pay.

Approved: 8/09

Qualified substitute teachers shall be secured for the district.

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee may meet with potential substitutes before the start of each school year.

The principals shall compile a list of available substitute teachers, and each principal shall have a current list.

Principals or other designated employees shall be responsible for obtaining substitute teachers from the list and employing them as needed.

The board shall establish the rate of pay for substitute teachers annually.

Candidates will be given information regarding expectations in performance of their job duties.

Substitutes are encouraged to prepare, in advance, for the subjects in which they are most likely to substitute in case lesson plans are not available.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

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.

Approved: 8/09; 12/16

GCA Compensation and Work Assignments (See GAN)

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.

Workweek

For the purposes of Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) compliance, the workweek will be 12:00 a.m. Sunday until 11:59 p.m. Saturday.

Classification of Employees

For purposes of compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), the superintendent shall ensure that all job positions are classified as exempt or non-exempt and that employees are made aware of such classifications.

Overtime

No non-exempt employee shall work more than 40 hours per week without the prior written Permission of the appropriate supervisor. Principals and supervisors shall monitor employees' work to ensure that the overtime

provisions of this policy and the Fair Labor Standards Act are followed. All employees shall be compensated for overtime worked, at a rate of one and a half times their normal rate of pay for any hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

Non-exempt employees whose workweek is less than 40 hours will be paid at the regular rate of pay for time worked up to 40 hours. Overtime pay will be provided only if an employee works more than 40 hours in a workweek.

Compensation for Out-of-Town/Overnight Trips

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 (or compensatory time) as appropriate for time away from USD#343 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.

Approved: 8/09

GCI Classified Employee Evaluation (See GAK)

GCI

All classified employees shall be evaluated twice during their first year of employment and at least once a year during subsequent years. Evaluation documents will be on file with the clerk of the board.

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.

Approved: 8/09

EVALUATOR'S COMMENTS ON STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES

1. Personal Qualities

2. Work Related Skills

3. Commitment to Duty

4. Employee's Comments

Employee _____ Evaluator _____

Date _____ Date _____

This evaluation was signed by the employee after it was reviewed by the evaluator.

All employees contracted to coach or sponsor an activity shall be evaluated annually. Evaluation documents will be on file with the clerk of the board.

Coaches and sponsors shall be evaluated by the supervisor to whom they are assigned. Evaluations shall be based on the employee's personal qualities, their commitment to duty, their work skills, and other appropriate issues related to the activity sponsor/coach job description. A copy of the completed evaluation shall 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.

Approved: 6/22

GCK Suspension

GCK

The superintendent shall have the authority to suspend classified employees with pay until the suspension is resolved by board action.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

GCRG Leaves

GCRG

(See GBRH)

Paid Leave

Full-time employees will be credited with paid leave in accordance with handbook language approved by the board.

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 unless otherwise prescribed by law. 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

GCRH Vacations

GCRH

Full-time classified employees may be granted a paid vacation each year as follows:

0-5 years	2 weeks
6-15 years	3 weeks
16+ years	4 weeks

After 10 years, 5 days of the allotted vacation time may be taken as salary.

Approved: 8/09

GCRI Paid Holidays

GCRI

Paid holiday leave is granted to classified employees as follows:

12 month full-time employees: Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and the day following Thanksgiving Day, Christmas vacation from close of work day on the last day of school to regular hours on first work day following, New Year's Day, afternoon of Good Friday, Memorial Day, and Fourth of July.

Building secretaries: Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day and Memorial Day.

All other classified employees: Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

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HAA **Legal Status**

HAA

The board shall negotiate with its professional employees as provided by law.

Approved: 8/09

HAB Goals and Objectives

HAB

Professional negotiations are for the purpose of determining the terms and conditions of employment as defined by law.

Approved: 8/09

HAC Scope of Negotiations

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

School facilities shall be made available for negotiating sessions 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.

Approved: 8/09

HAHBB Use of School Equipment

HAHBB

The board may make school equipment available for negotiating sessions.

Approved: 8/09

HAI **Negotiations Procedures** (See CN)

HAI

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. 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)

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

The board reserves the right to re lease to the media and public information regarding negotiations. 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.

Approved: 8/09

HAI Preliminary Agreement Disposition

HAI

All tentative agreements shall be reported to the board.

Approved: 8/09

HAK Ratification Procedures

HAK

The board will not engage in piece meal 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.

Approved: 8/09

HAL Announcement of Agreement

HAL

The board may announce its ratification of the agreement.

Approved: 8/09

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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	Religious Symbols in the Classroom
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IKE	Assemblies
IKI	Lesson Plans
ING	Animals and Plants in the School

IA Philosophy (See GBU and IKB)

IA

(District Mission statement could be placed here.)

Both academic and non-academic programs comprise the educational program.
The educational program shall be performance-oriented and research-based.

All students shall have an equal opportunity to pursue and acquire knowledge and to master the educational program's objectives.

Approved: 8/09

IB **School Site Councils**

IB

(See KA)

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.

The principal shall recommend site council members for board approval.

Each site council shall establish meeting schedules. Each council shall report to the board at least four times a year.

Approved: 8/09; 6/14; 6/22

IC Educational Program (See ID, IDAA, IDAB, IDAC and IJ)

IC

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.

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.

Additional Educational Programs

Additional educational programs shall be in one of the following categories:

Special Programs (IDAA), Support Programs (IDAB) and Exceptional Programs (IDAC).

Approved: 8/10

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.

Approved: 8/09

ICAA Teaching Methods (GRBC, ICA, IDAE, II, and IJ)

ICAA

Use of current research findings to improve instruction is required as a part of the district's school improvement efforts. Staff development programs will be designed to help teachers learn research-based instructional skills and to apply them in daily instruction.

Approved: 8/10; 6/14

ID **Instructional Program** (See BBG, CJ, CL, IC and IJ)

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. The instructional program 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.

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)

Approved: 8/10

IDAA Special Programs (See AEB, IC, and JJ)

IDAA

In addition to the educational program, the district shall provide programs to meet special needs. These programs shall be outlined in the appropriate handbooks or other documents following board review and approval.

Partnerships/Work-Study Program

The board may approve partnership/work-study 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.

A periodic review of the partnership's goals and objectives shall be conducted.

Approved: 8/09; 6/21

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 because the student sought assistance.

Student Mental Health

The superintendent may develop and implement a student mental health awareness program. The superintendent shall identify community or area mental health agencies able to provide assistance.

Dropout Prevention

The programs to prevent students from dropping out of school, or to encourage dropouts to return to school shall be: Lawrence Diploma Completions, New Directions or GED program.

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 serve all students.

Counselor(s) shall provide guidance services consistent with district philosophy, job descriptions and board policies.

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 Superintendent or principal, the student's IEP team or a section 504 team recommend homebound placement, based on information indicating homebound instruction is medically necessary.

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 Student Support Services, State Board of Education.

Approved: 8/09

IDAC **Exceptional Programs** (See IC)

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

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 6/14; 6/18

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; 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.

Approved: 8/09

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.
 - f* State academic content and achievement standards;
 - f* How to monitor their child's progress; and
 - f* 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.

- 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:
 - f* Keeping families informed of opportunities for involvement and encouraging participation in various programs.
 - f* Providing access to educational resources for parents/families to use together with their children.
 - f* Keeping families informed of the objectives of district educational programs as well as of their child's participation and progress within these programs.
 - f* Allowing parents reasonable access to staff who work with their children.
 - f* Providing professional development opportunities for teachers and staff to enhance their understanding of effective parent involvement strategies.
 - f* 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:

- f* Provide input into district policies that affect Title I programs and their children.
- f* Understand and participate in school improvement efforts.
- f* Volunteer time within classrooms and school programs.
- f* Perform regular evaluations of parent involvement at each school and at the district level.
- f* Provide access, upon request, to any instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.
- f* 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.

Approved: 8/09

Proposed changes (if any) made to policy IDAD

Administrators and other school employees present:

Name	Title/Position	Building

Copies to: Clerk of the Board; Superintendent of Schools; School Principal

Approved by Board of Education as Policy/Regulation: ___date

(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.

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.

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.

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

No nonacademic test, questionnaire, survey, or examination containing any questions about the personal and private attitudes, values, beliefs, or practices of the student or the student's parents, guardians, family members, associates, friends, or peers that is administered during the school day shall be administered to any kindergarten through 12th grade student unless:

- the parent or guardian is notified in writing not more than four months in advance of the administration of such test, questionnaire, survey, or examination that such is to be administered; and
- the parent or guardian of the student gives consent through a written or electronic signature or, in the event of an immediate need, gives verbal consent for the student to participate.

Advance notification to a parent or guardian must include:

- A copy of the test, questionnaire, survey, or examination that is to be administered;

- Information on how the parent or guardian may provide written consent to authorize the student to take such test, questionnaire, survey, or examination;
- The name of the company or entity that produces or provides the test, questionnaire, survey, or examination to the school; and
- Whether the school will receive or maintain the resulting data and an explanation of how the school intends to use and maintain such data.

For written consent to be accepted, timely notice in compliance with the requirements of this policy must be provided, and the parent or guardian must have had an opportunity to review the information contained in the notice. Written consent must be provided separately for each individual test, questionnaire, survey, or examination that is to be administered. Prior to administering any such test, questionnaire, survey, or examination, a copy of it must be posted and maintained on the district's website.

A student has the right to refuse to take any test, questionnaire, survey, or examination as described herein at any time, regardless of receipt of parent or guardian consent to participate. Prior to administering any such test, questionnaire, survey, or examination, each student shall be informed that such student has the right to refuse to take it and that the student will not suffer any adverse consequences based on refusal to participate.

No personally identifiable student data shall be collected through any such test, questionnaire, survey, or examination.

Except as otherwise provided in this policy, the provisions of this subsection shall apply to any test, questionnaire, survey, or examination as

described herein that is administered or proposed to be administered to any student by any employee of a school district, including, but not limited to, any administrator, teacher, counselor, social worker, psychologist, or nurse.

If, however, any district employee becomes aware that a student may be at risk of suicide by a credible report from the student, the student's peers, or another school district employee, the school personnel who are designated to administer a suicide risk assessment or screening tool may administer such risk assessment or screening tool in accordance with the provisions of this subsection to determine whether the student could be at risk for suicide. Such designated school personnel may include, but is not limited to, any administrator, teacher, counselor, social worker, psychologist, or nurse. Prior to the administration of any such risk assessment or screening tool, the designated staff member shall verbally notify the parent or guardian before the administration of such risk assessment or screening tool and obtain the consent of the parent or guardian.

If the designated staff member is unable to verbally notify the parent or guardian of the student and obtain consent after reasonable attempts to do so, the designated staff member may administer the risk assessment or screening tool without such consent. If a risk assessment or screening tool is administered without the parent or guardian's consent, as soon as contact with the parent or guardian is made, the designated staff member shall notify the parent or guardian of the administration of such assessment or screening tool and provide to the parent or guardian all information obtained from the risk assessment or screening tool administered to the student.

Approved: 8/09; 6/14; 6/16; 6/22

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 state wide 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.

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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.

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- 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 post-secondary 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 provide d with notice of authorized student data disclosures under the Student Data Privacy Act.

Parent Signature

Date

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 post-secondary 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.

Approved: 8/09

Any district elementary or middle school that includes any of the grades six through nine may conduct athletic practice during the school day only at times when one or more elective academic courses or a study period is offered to students.

District high 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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

The board may consider a petition for creation of a charter school if the petition meets all requirements of current law and regulations.

Approved: 8/09

IF **Textbooks, Instructional Materials and Media Centers**

IF

(See IKD and KN)

All textbooks, instructional materials and the selection criteria for district media center materials shall be subject to board approval.

Textbooks and instructional materials shall support the district's instructional program. 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.

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 skill;

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 appropriate 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, and include various types of materials and diverse content in multiple formats.

The collection shall reflect, enhance, 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

Any student, parent, or legal guardian of a student currently enrolled in the district having a complaint about textbooks, media center, or other instructional materials shall meet with the teacher, media specialist, or principal. If the concern is addressed to a teacher or media specialist, they shall report the matter

to the principal. If the matter cannot be resolved, the principal shall notify the superintendent and ask the complainant to complete a request for review form which is available through building principals or at the district office. After receiving the completed form, the superintendent shall review and consider the request.

If the issue outlined in the request is not resolved after review by the superintendent, the requestor may seek review by the board. If the board chooses to consider the request, it shall forward all appropriate written materials to a review committee.

Composition of Review Committee

When a review committee is established to handle requests for review concerning textbooks, media center, or instructional materials, the review committee shall be composed of:

The building principal, library media specialist, two subject area specialists, two community members, and one student. If the request for review proposes that the material is inappropriate for minors, the student representative may be left off the committee. The superintendent shall be responsible for appointing review committee members, unless otherwise determined by the board on a case-by-case basis.

Purview of Review Committee

The review committee shall examine and evaluate the material as a whole; consider the district's policy, procedures, and philosophy for selection of textbook, instruction materials, and media center materials; weigh strengths and weaknesses; and form opinions based upon the selection criteria.

Written Report

Within 30 days of receiving access to the challenged materials, the review committee shall review the material and prepare a written report containing conclusions and recommendations for the board of education;

If the board receives simultaneous challenges of multiple material or if circumstances render the 30-day timeline impracticable, the board may extend the committee's deadline to complete its review.

No reviews will be conducted during summer break or when school is not in session for one week or longer. The timeline for any review shall be tolled during such breaks.

Board Review and Action

The board shall review the recommendation of the review committee within 30 days of receipt thereof and may accept the review committee's recommendation, reject the review committee's recommendation, or make its own determination regarding the challenged book or material.

The decision of the board is final.

Removing Challenged Materials

Challenged materials may be removed from use during the review period at the discretion of the superintendent.

Impact of Simultaneous Requests

If more than one request for review is received simultaneously, or, if one or more requests for review is received while another review is pending, timelines established in this policy may be extended by the superintendent or the board to allow the requests to be processed in turn. When more than one request for review

is received on the same book or material, such requests may be consolidated to reduce redundancy in review at any stage of this process.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

IF TEXTBOOKS, INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS & MEDIA CENTERS

(Retype and file with clerk.)

USD 343
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 textbooks, instructional materials, and media center materials? ___ Y ___ N

2. Did you read or view all the material provided in the entire work? ___ Y ___ N If no, how did you select the parts for reading or viewing?

3. Please identify the objectionable material. (Please be specific; cite pages or items.)

4. What is the basis for your objection to the specific sections or parts identified?

IF TEXTBOOKS, INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS & MEDIA CENTERS

5. What do you believe is the major 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?

8. Additional comments: _____

Administrator

Signature of complainant

Date received: _____

With administrative approval, outside speakers may be invited to meet with groups of students as part of the educational process.

Speakers shall be informed of this policy and any rules when they are invited to make a presentation.

Outside speakers should be selected so that various points of view are presented.

The teacher/sponsor or any member of the school administration may interrupt or suspend any proceedings if the speaker is not abiding by these rules.

With prior board approval an honorarium may be paid to outside speakers.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/19

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 and when appropriate 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 not participate.

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.

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 not occur during class time or the employee's work day.

Approved: 8/09

IHA Grading System

IHA

The district shall have board-approved methods for assessing and reporting the quality of student academic progress. Information shall be published in appropriate handbooks.

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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 and 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 25.5 academic credits of a type meeting state and district requirements beginning with the class of 2015.

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

II

(See BCBK, BE, CN, CYA, IDAE, IJ, JF and KBA)

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 cover all course objectives. A performance instrument shall be approved by the principal. 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.

The student has 10 school days in which those designated tasks developed by the teacher and approved by the administration must be performed.

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.

Graduation Credit Through Integrated Coursework

The board may allow graduation credit for integrated academic or career and technical education course work. The teacher awarding academic credit shall be fully licensed and may work collaboratively with another instructor to develop a course plan for instruction. The teacher shall monitor the student's progress and level of achievement. The plan will be reviewed periodically to maintain rigor and relevance.

Credit Through Alternative Educational Opportunities

Students enrolled in grades six through twelve may earn course credits through alternative educational opportunities with sponsoring entities. For the purposes of this policy, terms have the following meanings.

- “Alternative educational opportunity” means instruction that primarily occurs outside the classroom with a sponsoring entity.
- “Sponsoring entity” means a business, not-for-profit organization, nonprofit organization, trade association, parent of a student, teacher, or administrator that partners with a school district to provide an alternative educational opportunity to students.

Eligibility Requirements for Sponsoring Entities

The board may accept a proposal from a sponsoring entity if the alternative educational opportunity provided by the sponsoring entity provides an additional learning opportunity for students through a work-based, pre-apprenticeship,

apprenticeship, internship, industry certification, or community program; and either the proposal is approved by the state board of education as an alternative educational opportunity, or it complies with the requirements of this policy regarding such opportunities.

Requirements for the Provision of Alternative Educational Opportunities

Each approved alternative educational opportunity with a sponsoring entity shall be managed and directed by a licensed teacher employed by the school district. The teacher may work collaboratively with the principal, the sponsoring entity, or another teacher to develop a course plan for instruction with learning outcomes identified. The teacher shall monitor the student's progress and level of achievement based on this plan. The plan will be reviewed periodically and adjusted as needed to promote a quality learning experience. The principal shall provide a report annually, or as requested, to the superintendent evaluating the additional educational opportunity provided to participating students and making recommendations to the superintendent on continuation, termination, or modification of the opportunity.

Processes for Submitting a Proposal for an Additional Educational Opportunity

Sponsoring entities wishing to partner with the district to provide additional educational opportunities to students, shall submit a proposal to the superintendent outlining the contact information and credentials of the person(s) that would be working directly with the student participants in this experience; educational goals for the partnership; any time, place, manner, and number of participant restrictions regarding how the learning opportunity would be

provided; proposed learning outcomes for participating students; and any details regarding prerequisite coursework, certification, or experience a candidate for this experience should possess prior to entering the program.

Criteria for Evaluating Such Proposals

Prior to making a recommendation to the board on whether the district should partner with or continue to partner with a sponsoring entity, the superintendent shall review the proposed alternative educational opportunity in comparison with the board approved curriculum and goals, consulting other staff members as necessary in that process. Before recommending action to continue such partnership from year-to-year, the superintendent may seek and shall review any available reports on the opportunity provided by the principal in accordance with this policy.

The board should consider the recommendation of the superintendent in determining whether to partner with or continue partnership with a sponsoring entity. In order for the board to partner with a sponsoring entity and to maintain such partnership, the sponsoring entity must first meet the eligibility requirements as outlined in this policy.

Additional considerations weighing into the decision to partner with a sponsoring entity may include, but may not be limited to: whether the learning experience meets the curricular, rigor, and relevance needs of the student and/or the district; qualifications, experience, reputation, and responsibility of the sponsoring entity and/or individuals that would be working directly with students; related costs for the district, regarding the provision of transportation, equipment, human resources to monitor the experience, etc.; space and time

constraints if the experience will be provided in district facilities; student and staff safety; the need for and/or availability of insurance coverage, as applicable; effect on other district course offerings and activities; and student interest. As the welfare of students is of paramount importance to the board, the district reserves the right to complete background checks on any individuals working directly with students on behalf of the sponsoring entity and to base decisions on entering or exiting such a partnership, in whole or in part, on the results thereof.

Determining the Course Credit that May Be Earned Through These Opportunities

The superintendent may develop procedures for review of the experience and the award of credit in accordance with board approved curriculum. The superintendent may award credit for the experience as deemed appropriate for district elective offerings based on meeting local standards for those offerings. In order for any alternative educational experience to be approved for credit in a state-required course, such experience must meet all applicable statutory, regulatory, and Kansas State Board of Education approved standards for award of such credit.

State Reporting Requirements

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee shall make reports to the Kansas State Department of Education as required thereby. Such reports will include information regarding the alternative educational opportunities offered at each school, the names of sponsoring entities, the number of students participating in such opportunities, and credits earned.

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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.

- 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 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 use which may constitute a violation of Federal or state law, and such use may result in criminal prosecution.

Approved:6/14

Use of District Computers/Privacy Rights

Computer systems are for educational and professional use only. All information created by staff shall be considered district property and shall be subject to unannounced monitoring by district administrators. The district retains the right to discipline any student, up to and including expulsion and any employee, up to and including termination, for violations of this policy.

Copyright

Software acquired by staff using either district or personal funds, and installed on district computers, must comply with copyright laws. Proof of purchase (copy or original) must be filed in the district office.

Installation

No software, including freeware or shareware, may be installed on any district computer until cleared by the network administrator. The administrator will verify the compatibility of the software with existing software and hardware, and prescribe installation and de-installation procedures. Program files must have the superintendent's approval to be installed on any district server or computer.

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 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 or computer systems is subject to monitoring by the administration.

Ownership of Employee Computer Materials

Computer materials or devices created as part of any assigned district responsibility or classroom activity undertaken on school time shall be the property of the board.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 1/04

The district shall implement the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA). The superintendent shall develop a plan to implement the Children's Internet Protection Act. This plan shall be on file with the board clerk and in each school office with internet access, and copies shall be available. The superintendent shall ensure compliance with CIPA by completing Federal Communication Commission forms as required.

Approved: 8/09

Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) PLAN

The USD 343 plan shall, at a minimum:

- provide reasonable public notice including at least one public hearing;
- install blocks or Internet filters to limit access by both minors and adults to child pornography or materials that are obscene, inappropriate or harmful;
- monitor the online activities of minors;
- address issues related to the safety of minors when using e-mail, chat rooms, and other electronic communication;
- hinder unauthorized access (hacking) and other unlawful online activities by minors; and
- prevent unauthorized disclosure of personal information

regarding minors. Approved: Board of Education ___(date)

Application

Students may apply for permission to enroll in an online course for credit. Applications for the next academic year shall be submitted to the principal no later than April 20. 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 online 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 administration 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 online 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 online course work.

Other Regulations or Guidelines

Approval of online coursework shall be based on the requirements of Kansas law, Kansas State Department of Education regulations, and board credit requirements and/or guidelines in effect at the time the student request is made.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

IJ Evaluation of Instructional Program
(See IC, ICAA, ID, and II)

IJ

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/12; 6/19

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.

Approved: 8/15

IKB **Controversial Issues** (See GBU, IA and IFBH)

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.

Approved: 8/09

Opt-Out Procedure and Form

Parents or guardians (or a student over eighteen years of age) who do 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.

Notice of Availability

Public notice of the availability of the Human Sexuality and AIDS curriculum goals and objectives shall be made by means of newsletters, distribution at enrollment and/or parent notes.

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NOTE: Remove from book and file with the clerk/principals.

HUMAN SEXUALITY
AND
AIDS EDUCATION

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

IKD Religion in Curricular or School Sponsored Activities
(See AEA, IF, IKDA and KN)

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 educational 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 upon, 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 this policy, religious themes may be presented in the curriculum and as part of 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

Temporary display of religious symbols is permitted as part of the curriculum. The temporary use of religious symbols such as a cross, menorah, crescent, Star of David, crèche, 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

Holidays which have a religious and a secular basis may be observed. School vacations shall have secular designations, e.g., Winter Vacation, Spring Break.

Graduation and Other Ceremonies

School ceremonies shall be secular in nature. While recognizing the significance of tradition, the board requires that graduation exercises and dedication ceremonies be secular in nature.

Approved: 8/09

IKDA Religious Objections to Activities (See IKD)

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.

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.

Approved: 8/09

Sample Only: Retype, remove from policy book and file with the clerk.

ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION OPT-OUT FORM

I, _____ (parent/guardian) request that my child,
_____, be excused from participating in certain activities
for religious reasons.

From what activity do you wish your child to be excused?

Identify where in the curriculum the activity exists. (Please identify the grade level, class, building.)

For what reason do you wish your child to be excused. (Please state the particular religious objection to this activity, including the religious teaching you believe this activity violates.)

I understand that I am requesting the school to excuse my child from certain activities and that my request is subject to review and determination by the school. I further understand that if my request is granted, my child may still be required to view the activity, discuss the activity or may otherwise be exposed to the subject matter of the activity.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Administrator Signature
Date Received _____

IKE Assemblies

IKE

Each building principal may schedule assemblies as needed.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 are permitted in the schools and on school property in accordance with federal law. 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.

For the purpose of this policy, "service animals" is not deemed to include animals provided by the school for instructional purposes or for therapy or comfort animals.

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- JHCA.....** Student Publications (See KI)
 - School-Sponsored Student Publications
 - Non-School Sponsored Student Publications
 - Advertisements
- JHCAA.....** Gang Intimidation (See JCAC, JCDA, JCDBB and JDD)
- JI.....** Community Activities
- JJ.....** Employment of Students (See IDAA)
 - In-School Employment
 - Outside Employment
 - Vocational or Other Work Experience
- JK.....** Solicitations (See KI)
- JL.....** Gifts (See DK, GAJ and KH)
 - Student Gifts to Staff Members
 - Faculty Gifts to Students
 - Student Organization Gifts to the School
- JM.....** Contests for Students (See JH)
- JN.....** Awards
- JQ.....** Exceptional Students (See IDCE and JBE)
 - Concurrent Enrollment
- JQA.....** Temporarily Disabled Students
- JQE.....** Alternative Arrangements for Nontraditional Students
- JQI.....** Adult Students
- JQKA.....** Foreign Exchange Students (See JBC)
 - Form, Foreign Exchange Student/Host Family Application
- JQL.....** Hearing Procedures for Exceptional Students
- JQLA.....** Class-size/Caseload Limits for Exceptional Students
- JR.....** Student Records
 - (See BCBK, CN, CYA, ECA, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KAB)

- JRA.....** Types of Records
 - (See BCBK, CN, CYA, ECA, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KAB)
 - Permanent Student Records
 - Administrative records
 - Supplementary records
 - Tentative records
- JRB.....** Release of Student Records
 - (See BCBK, CN, CYA, ECA, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KAB)
 - Directory Information
 - Forwarding Pupil Records
- JRC.....** Disposition of Records
 - (See BCBK, CN, CYA, ECA, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KAB)
- JRD.....** Hearing Request
 - (See BCBK, CN, CYA, ECA, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KAB)
- JS.....** Student Fees and Charges Credit
 - Card Payments Fee Schedules
 - Debt Collection
 - Forwarding Pupil Records

JA **Goals and Objectives**

JA

(See BDA, CM, GAA and JCDA)

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.

Approved: 12/15; 6/22

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 methods prescribed by the superintendent. A cumulative attendance record for each student shall be kept in the principal's office.

The superintendent shall include attendance data in the annual report to the board. Attendance problems shall be reported to the board as necessary.

Approved: 8/09

(See IIBGB, JBCA, JBCB, and JQKA)

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 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 problem.

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 May 31st.

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

The board allows any child to enroll part-time in the school district to allow the student to attend any courses, programs, or services offered by the school district if the child:

- Is also enrolled in a nonaccredited private elementary or secondary school or in any other private, denominational, or parochial school as required by law;
- requests to enroll part-time in the school district; and
- meets the age of eligibility requirements for school attendance.

District administrators shall make a good faith attempt to accommodate scheduling requests of students enrolling in the school district in these situations but shall not be required to make adjustments to accommodate every such request.

Part-time students, other than those specified previously in this policy may enroll with the administration's permission if they complete all paperwork in a timely fashion and are in attendance no later than September 15th. Such 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.

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 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 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 night time 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

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.

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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 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.

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Immediate Enrollment

The school selected shall immediately enroll the homeless child or youth, even if the child or youth:

- 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).

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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 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.

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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.

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 inter-district activities, with other local educational agencies.

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Housing Assistance

If applicable, the district shall coordinate with state and local housing agencies responsible for developing the comprehensive housing afford ability strategy to minimize educational disruption for children and youths who become homeless.

The coordination required shall be designed to:

- 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 reason able 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.

The board will designate an individual to act as the district's homeless student liaison: at 205 W. Bridge St., Perry, KS (785-597-5138). The district shall inform school personnel, service providers, and advocates working with homeless families of the duties of this liaison.

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District Homeless Student 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 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;

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- 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
 - 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.

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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.

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.

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Transportation (See ED AA, 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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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: _____

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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The district, in accordance with state and federal law and the Kansas state plan, will ensure 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.

Mobile Crisis Helpline

Crisis support for Kansas families and children to resolve an emotional, psychiatric, or behavioral health crisis is available through the Department of Children and Families Mobile Crisis Helpline, 1-833-441-2240, including:

- Problem solving to resolve behavioral health crisis;
- Referral to community resources or recommendation to engage in stabilization services;
- In-person support via mobile crisis response; and
- Contacting mobile crisis response unit to assist in emergency situations.

Services are available to all Kansans 20 years or younger including anyone in foster care or formerly in foster care.

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Note: The reader is encouraged to review regulations and forms for related information.

**JBCB FOSTER CARE STUDENT
REGULATIONS**

**Foster Care Student Regulations
To Aid In Implementation of Federal Law**

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, childcare 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:

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1. DCF agrees to reimburse the district for the additional costs;
2. The district agrees to pay the additional costs; or
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.

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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 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:

Contact: Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Address: 205 West Bridge Street, Box 72 9, Perry, KS 66073

Telephone: 785-597-5138

Fax: 785-597-2254

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.

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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.

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General Transportation Procedures

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. Off set 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;

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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.

Transportation Strategies

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);

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4. Using existing intra-district transportation options that allow students to be determined 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);
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.

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.

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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.

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

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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;
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.

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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.

Approved: 7/17

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.

Make Up Work

It is the student's responsibility to obtain make-up assignments from teachers following an excused or unexcused absence.

Approved: 8/15

(See AEB, IDCE, JBD, and JQ)

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 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. Truancy shall not apply to students who have attained a high school diploma, a general educational development credential, or a high school equivalency credential or any child who is determined to be an exceptional child, except for an exceptional child who is determined to be a gifted child, under the provisions of the special education for exceptional children act. Exceptions also exist for students attending the Kansas academy of mathematics and science and for students who are part of a recognized church or religious denomination objecting to a regular public high school education under circumstances specified in state law.

For truancy purposes, being enrolled and continuously attending a public school; a private, denominational, or parochial school taught by a competent instructor for a period of time which is substantially equivalent to the period of time public school is maintained in the school district in which the private, denominational, or parochial school is located; or a combination of attendance in both a public school and a private, denominational, or parochial school may satisfy compulsory attendance requirements. 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 given an unexcused absence for truancy accounting purposes 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.

Waiver of Compulsory Attendance Requirements

Students 16 or 17 years of age may be exempt from compulsory attendance regulations if:

- The student is regularly enrolled in and attending a program recognized by the board as an approved alternative educational program;
- the parent(s) or person acting as parent provides written consent to allow the student to be exempt from the compulsory attendance requirement and the student and the student's parent or person acting as parent attend the counseling session required by law and signs the appropriate consent and waiver form;
- the student is not subject to truancy law in accordance with law or this policy;
- the child is regularly enrolled and continuously attending school as required by law and is concurrently enrolled in a postsecondary educational institution; or
- 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/16; 6/22

Waiver of Compulsory Attendance Form

I, (name of parent(s) or legal guardian), 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. _____ encourages (name of student) to remain in school or to pursue an education alternative.

The school has informed me that the academic skills listed below have not been achieved by (name of student):

[List skills that have not been achieved.]

Based on information attached below, I understand the difference in future earnings power between a high school graduate and a high school drop out.

The school has indicated to me and to my child that (name of student) is encouraged to attend one of the following alternative educational programs:

[List available alternative educational programs.]

The undersigned hereby give(s) written consent to allow (name of student), who is [choose one] 16 17 years of age, to be exempt from the Kansas compulsory attendance requirement and state I/we have attended the final counseling session conducted by Unified School District No. _____ in which the above information was presented to us.

Signed: _____
Parent or Legal Guardian

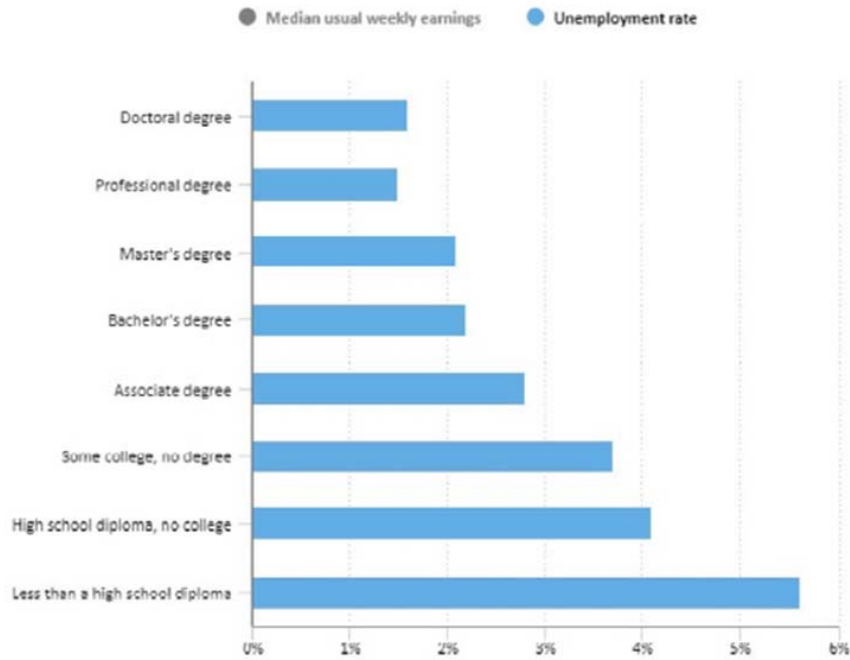
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Signed: _____
Student

Date: _____

Approved: 12/20

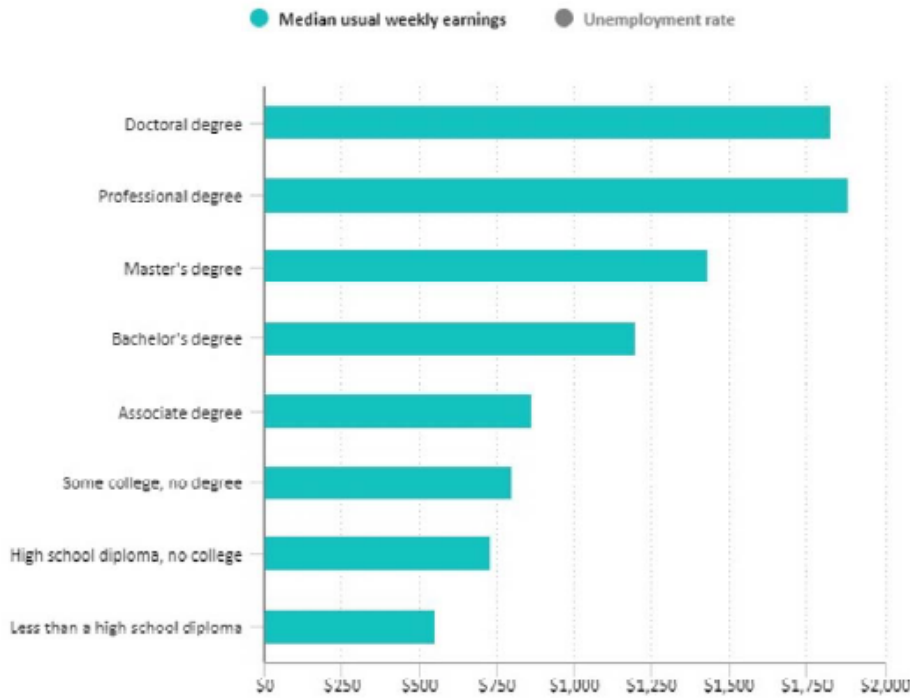
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JBH Release of a Student During the School Day (See EBB and EBBD) JBH

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

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 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. (Whenever the principal is mentioned in this policy, it shall be construed so as to include the superintendent “or designated representative.”)

Approved: 8/09

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 may 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.

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.

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.

A report of each search yielding contraband in violation of district policies, rules or directives shall be made by the principal utilizing the district's student data management system.

(Whenever the principal is mentioned in this policy, it shall be construed so as to include the superintendent "or designated representative.")

Approved: 8/09

(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 meet at least annually with local law enforcement officials to discuss the district's policies and

rules regarding law enforcement contacts with the district and reporting of potential criminal acts at school or school activities.

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 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 and there is reason to believe sharing the information may lead to harm of the child or others. 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 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/or 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.

Approved: 8/09; 10/12; 1/13; 6/18; 12/18; 6/22

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. The rules of conduct shall be published in student handbooks.

Violation of any provision of the behavior code may result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension and/or expulsion.

Approved: 8/09

JCDAA Tobacco and Nicotine Delivery Devices For Students (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.

Approved: 6/16

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.

Traditional tribal regalia or objects of cultural significance shall not be prohibited at a public event.

Dress codes shall be published in the appropriate student handbooks.

Approved: 8/09; 12/15; 12/21

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 in to 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 weapon and/or destructive device listed under the “Weapons and Destructive Devices” heading of this policy shall result in expulsion from school for a period of one calendar year, except the superintendent may recommend this expulsion 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.

Possession of an air gun at school, on school property, or at a school supervised activity will not be prohibited for students participating in an air gun-related activity sponsored by an organization held at school or when in transit to or from such activities held off district property.

Approved: 6/16

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 compliance coordinator 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 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.

Approved: 8/15

JDA Corporal Punishment

JDA

Corporal punishment shall not be permitted in the school district.

Approved: 8/09

Detention periods may be established by building principals and administered according to rules approved by the board.

Approved: 8/09

Any punishment, suspension or expulsion, may be deferred by the principal. 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.

Approved: 8/09

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 the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (“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.

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 weapon and/or destructive device violations), a hearing shall be conducted by a hearing officer who has been authorized by the board. 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.
- 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.

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.
- The board shall render a final decision no later than the next regularly scheduled board meeting after the conclusion of the appeal hearing.

Approved: 4/07; 12/14; 12/15; 6/21

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 JFGGBA; 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 unlawfully manufacture, sell, distribute, dispense, possess or use illicit drugs, controlled substances or alcoholic beverages at school, on or in school district property, or at any school activity. Any student violating the terms of this policy will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement officials, and will be subject to: suspension and expulsion.

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. Drug and alcohol counseling and rehabilitation programs are available for district students. 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 available programs along with names and addresses of contact persons for each program 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/12; 12/13; 6/18

JDDAA Drug/Alcohol Testing Policy
(See JDDA and JDD)

JDDAA

In an effort to protect the health and safety of its student activity participants from illegal and/or performance-enhancing drugs and/or alcohol use and abuse and injuries resulting from the use of drugs and alcohol, the USD 343 Board of Education adopts the following policy for drug and alcohol testing of students participating in extra-curricular and/or co-curricular activities.

Statement of Purpose and Intent

It is the desire of the Board of Education, administration, and staff that every student in the District refrains from using, possessing, or distributing illegal or performance-enhancing drugs and/or alcohol. The disciplinary actions triggered by this policy relate solely to limiting the opportunity of any student in violation of this policy to participate in extra-curricular and/or co-curricular activities. This policy is intended to supplement and complement all other policies, rules, and regulations of the District regarding possession and/or use of illegal drugs and alcohol and does not limit the District's authority to enforce the provisions of other relevant policies or take disciplinary actions authorized thereby.

Participation in school sponsored extra-curricular and co-curricular activities at the District is a privilege. Accordingly, students in such activities carry a responsibility to themselves, their fellow students, their parents, and their school to conduct themselves in accordance with a high standard of conduct, which requires avoiding the use or possession of illegal or performance-enhancing drugs and alcohol.

The purposes of this policy is to prevent illegal or performance-enhancing drug and alcohol use; to educate student participants regarding serious physical, mental, and emotional harm caused by drug and alcohol use; to prevent injury, illness, and harm that is a potential result of drug and alcohol use; and to strive within the District for an environment free of such use and abuse.

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The sanctions of this policy solely limit the opportunity of any student found to be in violation of this policy to participate in extra-curricular or co-curricular activities. There will be no academic sanction for violation of this policy except to the extent that a violation of this policy would also constitute a violation of other district policies and/or State or Federal law.

The District has adopted this policy for use by all students participating in extra-curricular and co-curricular activities in grades 9-12. Violations under this drug testing policy are cumulative throughout this grade span, and consequences do not start over with each new school year.

Definitions

“Extra-curricular activities and co-curricular” means those school sponsored student activities that take place outside the regular course of study in school. Such activities include all KSHSAA sponsored activities including, but not limited to, interscholastic sports teams, forensics, debate, vocal music, STUCO, scholars bowl, band, cheerleading, and dance team.

“Drug Use Test” means a scientifically substantiated method to test for the presence of illegal or performance-enhancing drugs, alcohol, or the metabolites thereof in a person’s urine, saliva, hair, or breath.

“Illegal Drugs” means any controlled substance which an individual may not legally sell, possess, use, distribute, or purchase under either Federal or Kansas Law. For the purposes of this policy, “illegal drugs” includes, but is not limited to, all scheduled drugs as defined by Kansas Law, all prescription drugs obtained or used without authorization, and all prescribed and over-the-counter drugs being used for an abusive purpose.

“Performance-Enhancing Drugs” includes anabolic steroids and any other natural or synthetic substance used to increase muscle mass, strength, endurance, speed, or other athletic ability. The term “Performance-Enhancing Drugs” does not include dietary or nutritional supplements such as vitamins, minerals, and proteins that can be lawfully purchased in over-the-counter transactions.

“Alcohol” means the product of distillation of any fermented liquid, whether rectified or diluted, whatever its origin, and includes synthetic methyl alcohol.

“Positive” when referring to a drug test administered under this policy means a toxicological test result which is considered to demonstrate the presence of an illegal or a performance-enhancing drug or the metabolites thereof using the standards customarily established by the testing laboratory administering the drug use test.

“Random Selection” regards the process used by the laboratory conducting drug use tests to select participants to be tested, involving the chance selection of drug test numbers assigned to each participant.

“KSHSAA” is the Kansas State High School Activities Association of which the District is a participating member.

Education

The district shall provide an educational session concerning this policy for applicable students regarding the policy’s implementation or substantial revision. The session will include a detailed explanation of the policy. In addition, it is recommended that the activities department conduct a player and parent meeting that will include information about the impact of the drug/alcohol testing policy on participants. Parental attendance is strongly encouraged at each session. Each applicable student will be provided a copy of the policy and a consent form.

Procedure

Each student in extra-curricular activities shall receive copies of the Student Drug/Alcohol Testing Consent Form, which shall be read, signed, and dated by the student, and parent and/or guardian. Students must turn in a completed consent form to the school office before the student will be allowed to practice or participate in any extra-curricular or co-curricular activities. Any student who does not turn in the required form within the aforementioned timeframe will not be eligible to participate in any extra-curricular or co-curricular activities. Transfer students who wish to participate in extra-curricular activities will be allowed to complete the aforementioned form at the time of their enrollment.

Students will be required to provide urine, saliva, or hair samples for the purpose of drug and/or alcohol testing as follows: On a random selection basis, from a list of all students in the testing pool, high school student KSHSAA extra-curricular and co-curricular participants will be drawn at random to provide a urine, saliva, and/or hair sample during the school year. Names previously chosen will be placed back in the pool for the possibility of random selection at a later time.

Any drug use test required by the district under the terms of this policy will be administered by or at the direction of a professional laboratory chosen by the District, using scientifically validated toxicological methods. The professional laboratory shall be required to have detailed written specifications to assure chain of custody of the specimens, proper laboratory control, and scientific testing.

All aspects of the drug use-testing program, including the taking of samples, will be conducted so as to safeguard the personal and privacy rights of students to the maximum extent possible. The test sample shall be forwarded to the vendor and obtained in a manner designed to minimize intrusiveness of the procedure. In particular, the sample will be collected in a restroom or other private facility.

If the initial drug test is positive, the initial test result may be subject to confirmation by a second and different test of the same sample.

If a test for any student has a positive result, the laboratory will report the results to the designated employee representative. The school will then be responsible for contacting the parents of the student with the results and will solicit information regarding any medications the student may be taking which could create a positive result.

Parent/Student will be required to provide a valid prescription from their physician. If needed, the school will contact a certifying scientist at the laboratory regarding any drug interactions. If requested, a medical review officer is available to confirm the results and report the findings to the designated employee representative.

Once a positive result is determined, the student will become ineligible pursuant to Perry Lecompton High School's Drug and Alcohol policy.

This decision may be appealed in writing to the PLHS building designee within two business days. The PLHS building principal will then make a written decision within two business days. During the time of this appeal, the student will be ineligible pursuant to Perry Lecompton High School Activities Drug and Alcohol policy.

The PLHS building principal's decision may be appealed in writing to the District superintendent's office within two business days. During the time of this appeal, the student will be ineligible pursuant to Perry Lecompton High School Activities Drug and Alcohol policy.

A student that has tested positive for illegal or performance-enhancing drugs will be required to undergo a minimum of one, but not more than three, additional drug use tests over the next calendar year to confirm that the student is no longer using illegal drugs or performance-enhancing drugs. The costs of additional test(s) are the parent's responsibility. The district will rely on the opinion of the laboratory that performed or analyzed the additional drug use test in determining whether a positive result in the additional drug test was produced by illegal or performance-enhancing drugs used by the student that caused the first positive result or by more recent use.

The district also recommends that students who test positive be referred to a drug assessment program. The school will receive a progress summary. The expense for the screening is borne by the parent/guardians. The District strongly recommends that a student who tests positive a second time complete a drug and alcohol screening.

All parents or guardians of students who test negative for illegal drugs or performance-enhancing drugs in the initial screening will be contacted by personnel of the District.

Disclaimer

This policy shall not supersede any State and/or Federal law or KSHSAA policy on this topic. This policy similarly does not supersede other Board policy or handbook language related to Perry Lecompton High School or with regard to students found to be in possession of, using, selling, distributing, or being under the influence of illegal substances or alcohol while at school, on or in school property, at a school sponsored activity, program, or event. Therefore, a student who violates the policy as set forth in other relevant board policy or handbook language should expect further consequences as deemed appropriate by the building principal.

Reporting to the Board of Education

The Board of Education shall receive at its September meeting each year, a report on the implementation of this policy. Said report shall report on the status of the program.

Approved: 11/15

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.

Approved: 6/16

Report to Local Law Enforcement
USD 343

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 343 Student/s file

PARENT OR STUDENT CONSENT TO RELEASE OF SCHOOL RECORDS

To: _____
(Name of School)

From: _____
(Parent or Legal Guardian or Student)

Re: _____
(Name of Student)

I hereby consent to and authorize the release of certain school records of this student to _____ (name of party requesting records).

The records to be released to the above party are to be limited to the following:

I understand that these records are being released to _____ for the following reasons:

I further understand that these records will not be released by _____ to any other party without my consent and authorization.

I further understand that I am entitled to a copy of these records.

I further understand that I am entitled to a hearing before _____ to challenge the content of these school records to ensure that the records are not inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the privacy or other rights of this student, and to provide me with an opportunity for the correction or deletion of any inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise inappropriate data.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

The board of education prohibits bullying in any form on school property, in a school vehicle or at a school-sponsored activity or event. The administration shall propose, and the board shall review and approve a plan to address bullying on school property, in a school vehicle or at a school-sponsored activity or event.

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 expulsion. If appropriate, students who violate the bullying prohibition shall be reported to local law enforcement.

Approved: 8/09

USD 343 Bullying Plan

(Also see Policies GAAE and JDDC)

Bullying means: Any intentional gesture or any intentional written, verbal, electronic, or physical act or threat either by any student, staff member, or parent towards a student or by any student, staff member or parent towards a staff member that is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational environment that a reasonable person, under the circumstances, knows or should know will have the effect of:

- Harming a student or staff member, whether physically or mentally;
- Damaging a student's or staff member's property;
- Placing a student or staff member in reasonable fear of harm; or
- Placing a student or staff member in reasonable fear of damage to the student's or staff member's property.

Bullying also includes cyberbullying. "Cyberbullying" means bullying by use of any electronic communication device through means including, but not limited to, e-mail, instant messaging, text messages, blogs, mobile phones, pagers, online games, and websites.

Additionally, bullying means any form of intimidation or harassment prohibited by the board of education of the school district in policies concerning bullying adopted pursuant to K.S.A. 72-6147 or subsection (e) of K.S.A. 72-1138, and amendments thereto. USD 343 will not tolerate these actions by students, staff, or parents.

For the purposes of this plan and its authorizing policies, "parent" includes a biological, adoptive, or step-parent; guardian; custodian; or other person with authority to act on behalf of a student.

Similarly, a "staff member" means any person employed by the district.

Any act of bullying by either an individual student or group of students towards a student or staff member of the district is prohibited on or while utilizing school property, in a school vehicle, or at school-sponsored activities, programs, and events. This policy applies to students who directly engage in an act of bullying, to students who, by their behavior, support another student's act of bullying, and to all staff members and parents who engage in similar behaviors.

JDDC SHORT MODEL BULLYING PLAN

Training concerning identifying, reporting, investigating, and preventing bullying behaviors as outlined in district policies and this plan shall be provided to students and staff members using resources available for such purpose and shall be provided through school assemblies, staff development, or other appropriate forums at least annually.

USD 343 focuses on bullying prevention by:

1. Developing a bullying prevention program based on the KSDE Bullying Prevention Resource Toolkit including addressing bullying, building adult capacity to change climate and culture, curriculum and instructional resources, and measuring social-emotional learning;
2. Using the Kansas State Department of Education's Social - Emotional and Character Development Standards to address school bullying and student mental health;
3. Implementing a social-emotional learning curriculum that includes an anti-bullying family engagement component;
4. Providing students and families with information and resources annually on bullying, cyberbullying, digital citizenship and how to make smart choices on-line;
5. Providing students and families with the district's student behavior expectations relating to bullying and explanations for incidences that do not meet the legal definition of bullying;
6. Tracking incidences of bullying including physical, cyber, verbal, and relational bullying and reporting this information to the Kansas State Board of Education;
7. Collecting data on bullying incidences from social emotional data sources and annually reviewing this information with the board of education;
8. Developing cultural awareness and understanding that certain demographic groups are disproportionately bullied at a higher rate than peers based upon sex, disability, socio-economic status, religious beliefs, gender identity and expression, sexual-orientation, and race/ethnicity (including migrant populations);
9. Requiring all school employees to complete the following bullying prevention, identification, reporting and training module (describe district's annual training program).

The board or the district administration on behalf of the board may seek student, staff, parent, and/or community input on the adoption, revision, and/or implementation of the board's bullying policies or plan as directed or approved by the board.

No teacher, administrator, or school district employee shall engage in, permit, or tolerate bullying.

Retaliation against a victim, good faith reporter, or a witness to bullying is prohibited. A student or staff member who engages in an act of bullying, reprisal, retaliation, or false reporting of bullying, shall be

JDDC SHORT MODEL BULLYING PLAN

subject to discipline in accordance with school district policy and procedures. The school administration and/or board may consider the following factors when determining an appropriate disciplinary action for such prohibited conduct: the ages of the parties involved; the developmental and maturity levels, special education needs of the parties involved, and the nature, frequency, and severity of the behavior.

Discipline guidelines for student bullying may be found in student and employee handbooks. Offenses over time or single offenses which are severe in nature may result in discipline up to and including suspension and/or expulsion or termination from employment. 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. (See Policies EBC, GAAC, GAACA, JGEC, JGECA and KN)

Approved: 8/09, 6/21

JF **Academic Achievement** (See II and JR et seq.)

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

Periodic reports on each student's mastery of the approved learning objectives shall be issued to the parents.

Report Cards

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 administration shall develop standard reporting forms for each grade level.

Approved: 8/09

JFA Peer Grading of Assignments

JFA

No student shall be allowed to grade another student's work, however teachers may use peer editing activities to help students review class concepts or objectives.

Approved: 8/09

JFAB **Student Conferences**

JFAB

Teachers shall be available for student conferences at mutually convenient times.

Approved: 8/09

Teachers shall be available for parent conferences at mutually convenient times. The principal may schedule individual or building-wide parent-teacher conferences as necessary.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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, shall state the reasons supporting the request, 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.

Approved: 8/09

JGA Student Insurance Program

JGA

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.

Principals shall keep a record of the students who enroll in the group insurance program.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09; 12/16

The board is committed to providing a school environment that promotes student health and wellness as part of the total learning experience for its students. To this end, the board shall promote and monitor a local health and wellness plan that includes methods to promote student health and 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 health and 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;
- 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.
- Provide students with opportunities to improve personal health and disease prevention;
- Develop essential health skills necessary to maintain and enhance personal and community health behaviors;
- Include goals for addressing student social and mental health needs;
- Develop skills to prevent injury; and

- Understand the effects and consequences of nicotine, alcohol, and drug use.

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 health and wellness shall also report to the superintendent or designee regarding the status of such programs. The 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.

Health and Wellness Committee

The board shall establish a health and 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 health and 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 health and wellness policy and plan that complies with law to recommend to the board for adoption.

The health and 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 health and wellness as part of the policy and plan development and revision process.

The superintendent or designee and the health and 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 health and wellness;
- The extent to which this policy and plan compare to model local health and 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 health and wellness plan based on the results of the most recent triennial assessment and/or as district and community needs and priorities change; health and 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 health and 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 health and wellness policy and plan; and a means of contacting health and wellness committee leadership.

Recordkeeping

The district shall retain records documenting compliance with the requirements of the school health and wellness policy, which shall include:

- The written school health and wellness policy and plan;
- Documentation demonstrating that the district has informed the public, on an annual basis, about the contents of the school health and wellness policy and plan and any updates to these documents;
- Documentation of efforts to review and update the school health and 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 health and wellness policy and plan and notification of the assessment results to the public.

Approved: 08/09; 6/15; 12/15; 6/17, 12/20

DISTRICT HEALTH AND WELLNESS PLAN

The board offers the following district health and wellness plan as a supplement to its health and wellness policy, JGCA. This plan reflects some of the board's elected methods to promote student health and 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 the superintendent.

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.

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;
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;
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.

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;

8. Attempt to create a positive learning environment in which students feel safe and supported; and
9. 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 in-service 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;

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.
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 health and wellness policy and plan.
7. Fundraising projects submitted for approval shall be supportive of healthy eating and student health and 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.

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.

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:

1. Rewards and Incentives
 - 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.).
2. Classroom Parties and Celebrations:
 - 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.
 - 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 encourage the following:
 - Fresh fruits/vegetables; and
 - Water, 100 percent juice, 100 percent juice diluted with water, low-fat milk, or nonfat milk.
3. Shared Classroom Snacks:
 - Shared classroom snacks are not permitted in district schools

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.

Classroom Treats: Suggested Guidelines

Perry-Lecompton USD #343 Classroom Treats for Special Occasions

Perry-Lecompton USD #3 43 encourages families to provide treats furnished for student consumption be pre-packaged. Bringing cupcakes, cookies or candy to help a child celebrate special occasions is considered a tradition for most parents. However, if a child has a severe peanut allergy, diabetes or other special diet needs, then classroom treats can be a cause for concern. Food manufacturers are required by federal law to clearly state on food labels any ingredients that contain protein derived from eight major allergenic foods, including peanuts, tree nuts, wheat, milk and soybeans. Labels also state the amount of carbohydrates which is important in managing diabetes.

While food allergies may affect only a few children, accidental ingestion of allergens can be a life-threatening situation to these children. Approximately 30,000 consumers require emergency room treatment and 150 Americans die each year because of allergic reactions to food.

We appreciate your cooperation and support!

RECOMMENDED TREATS:

- Cereal bars such as *Kellogg's Nutri Grain* or *Quaker Oats Chewy Granola Bars* (avoid peanut butter varieties or trail mix types which usually contain nuts)
- Rice Krispy Treats
- Animal Crackers
- *Teddy Grahams* or other shaped graham cracker treats
- Baked chips and *Sun Chips*
- Pretzels
- Whole-Grain or Multi-Grain Wheat Crackers (avoid peanut butter filled crackers)
- *Fig Newtons*
- *Quaker Oats Quakes* Rice Snacks
- Raisins and other dried fruits
- Juices that are 100% real fruit juice with no added sweeteners or sugar
- *Hunts* pudding cups
- Individual packaged fruit or applesauce cups

SUGGESTIONS:

- Avoid foods which require refrigeration.
- Send food and beverage items which meet the following nutrition guidelines: Each packaged item should have 200 calories or less, 5 grams fat or less, and 30 grams carbohydrate and/or 35% added sugar by weight.
- This list is not meant to be all-inclusive. Items not found on this list do not mean they don't meet recommendations. Generic/store brands are often of equal nutritional value.
- Packaging size makes a difference. Select small portion sizes and avoid large sizes that contain more than a "single" serving.

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USD #343 Vending and A La Carte Policy

CATEGORY	
<p>A LA CARTE All other food and beverage items sold in school cafeteria or other locations where school meals are served or eaten.</p>	<p>A la carte items are limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The same portion size of any food item served that day in the NSLP or SBP. • Fruits or vegetables • Low-fat and/or nonfat yogurt • Pre-packaged snacks–100% of items offered must meet all of the following criteria per selling unit (the entire contents of the individual package or container) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Fat – no more than 4 grams per 100 calories, except for nuts, seeds and nut butters. Must contain 0 trans fats. o Carbohydrate - Total sugar -not to exceed 35% by weight (not more than 9 grams per 100 calories), except for fruits without added sugar (including dried fruit). o Calories less than but equal to 200. A la carte beverages are limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water, non-sweetened • 1% or less low fat milk, flavored or unflavored with 360 calories or less calories per selling unit. • Soy or rice beverages, flavored or unflavored with 360 calories or less calories per selling unit. • 100% juice with no added sweeteners
<p>SNACK VENDING Machines & School Stores</p>	<p>Vended snacks are not available to students in elementary schools. 100% of snack items offered must meet all of the following criteria per selling unit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total fat is no more than 4 grams per 100 calories, except for nuts, seeds and nut butters. Must contain 0 trans fats. • Carbohydrate - Total sugar -not to exceed 35% by weight (not more than 9 grams per 100 calories), except for fruits without added sugar (including dried fruit). • Calories less than but equal to 200
<p>DRINK VENDING</p>	<p>Vended beverages are not available to students in elementary school buildings. Vended beverages are limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water, non-caloric • 1% or less low fat milk; flavored or unflavored with 360 calories or less per selling unit • Soy or rice beverages, flavored or unflavored with 360 calories or less per selling unit • 100% juice with no added sweeteners • Machines located near high school athletic training areas may offer electrolyte replacement beverages that contain 48 or fewer grams of carbohydrate per 20 ounce selling unit. • Access to machines containing carbonated beverages/soft drinks will be accessible to high school students after school hours only. Carbonated drink machines will have timers set to be turned on after the latest dismissal time until 10:00 p.m. school days. • Machines offering noncarbonated beverages, including juice and water, may be turned on throughout school day. Water and noncarbonated beverages will be offered at a lower price than carbonated beverages.
	<p>School employees are encouraged to support this policy by serving as positive role models.</p>

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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;
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.

PERSONAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

The district will provide a framework to educate, support, and promote health enhancing behaviors and programs for students' levels. Research demonstrates that healthy students do better in school and score higher on achievement tests. Parents should be involved with the health education provided to their students. Students will be provided opportunities to learn and understand personal health, prevention and control of disease, the dangers of substance use, abuse and addictions, mental and emotional health, injury prevention and safety, and community health needs which may include:

- Major body systems, functions, and relationships between systems;
- Healthy personal hygiene habits;
- Importance of personal health and seeking health care;
- Value of and recommended sleep amounts;
- Health and unhealthy habits;
- Leading causes of death and risk behaviors;
- Disease prevention skills;
- Communicable and non-communicable diseases;
- Relationship between nutrition, exercise, and disease prevention;
- Structure and functions of the immune system;
- Drug types and dangers of alcohol, tobacco, and other illegal drugs;
- Refusal skills;
- Physical and psychological addictions;
- Cumulative risk behaviors;
- Addictive substances and effect on health;
- Personal strategies for drug free living;
- Communicating care, consideration, and respect;
- Developing stress management skills;
- Avoiding negative self-talk, self-harm, and suicide;
- Developing positive body image and self-esteem;
- Expressing feelings, wants and needs in a health manner;

- Role of the individual in maintaining a healthy community;
- Local community health needs, issues, and events; and
- Opportunities to develop and maintain a healthy community.

Approved: 12/20

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.

JGCB Inoculations

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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.

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.

Approved: 12/15; 12/16

If the board approves their use in district schools and other facilities, automated external defibrillators shall be used only by qualified persons as required by law.

To be qualified, a district employee shall have completed all training, and have demonstrated proficiency in the use of the AED as required by current law. The district and qualified person/s designated by the board shall be immune from civil liability for operation of an automated external defibrillator.

Approved: 8/09

Any student noted by a physician, the school nurse, or local health officer as having a communicable disease may be excluded 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, the local health officer, or after the expiration of any period of isolation or quarantine.

The board reserves the right to require a written statement from the student's physician or local health officer 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 or is suspected of having a communicable disease, the principal shall determine whether a release shall be obtained from the student's physician or local health department before the student reenters school.

Decisions regarding the type of education and the setting for provision of educational services for a student with a communicable disease shall be based on the child's medical condition, the child's educational needs, 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.

Approved: 12/15, 12/20

Vision, hearing, and dental screenings will be conducted in the district as part of the overall health services program. Such screenings will be administered in accordance with state law. When appropriate, other screenings deemed beneficial to students 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

Basic vision screenings shall be provided to students without charge according to the following schedule:

- Annually for every child participating in IDEA part B programs;
- At least once each school year for students in kindergarten and grades one, two, three, five, seven, and ten;
- Within the first year of enrollment in the district;
- Upon request by the parent or guardian of a student enrolled in an accredited nonpublic school who resides in the school district.

These basic vision screenings shall be performed by a vision screener designated by the board, who shall follow current state vision screening guidelines for performing the screenings. The results of the screening and, if necessary, referral for an examination by an ophthalmologist or optometrist shall be reported to the parents or guardians of the student. Any referral shall not show

a preference in favor of any particular ophthalmologist or optometrist to provide an additional examination.

While not part of the board provided vision screening program, each student needing assistance in achieving mastery of basic reading, writing, and mathematics skills shall be encouraged to obtain an eye examination by an optometrist or ophthalmologist to determine if the student suffers from conditions impairing the ability to read. Expense for such an examination, if not reimbursed through Medicaid, private insurance, or any other governmental or private program, shall be the responsibility of the student's parent or guardian.

Hearing Screening

Each year hearing screening procedures will be conducted for students in their first year of school attendance in the district. 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 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.

The results of the test and, if necessary, the desirability of examinations by a qualified physician shall be reported to the parents or guardians of students screened.

Dental Screenings

Free dental inspections will be provided to students annually, planned for by designated school staff, and conducted by appropriate dental care providers. Students presenting a certificate from a legally qualified dentist providing that a dental examination was completed in the three months prior to the school dental inspection need not be provided with an inspection.

A certificate of the result of a school dental inspection, together with suggestions of requirements for the curing of any defects found, shall be made by the dental care provider making such inspection. One copy of this certificate is to be furnished to the child examined, and another will be filed with the clerk of the board. No dental work other than the inspection and provision of the certificate shall be performed by the examining dental care provider without the consent of the parents or guardian of the child.

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.

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.

Approved: 6/22

JGD Student Psychological Services (See JR et seq)

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.

Approved: 8/09

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. The district does not discriminate on the basis of sex in admissions, employment, or the educational programs or activities it operates and is prohibited by Title IX from engaging in such discrimination. Discrimination on the basis of sex, including sexual harassment, will not be tolerated in the school district. Discrimination on the basis of sex of employees or students of the district in any district education program or activity 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 Act Against Discrimination. All forms of sexual harassment are prohibited at school, on school property, and at all school-sponsored activities, programs, or events within the United States. It shall 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 shall include conduct on the basis of sex involving one or more of the following: (1) A district employee conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the district on an individual's participation in unwelcomed sexual conduct; (2) unwelcomed conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the district's educational program or activity; or (3) sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking.

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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 of a sexual nature; 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. Complaints of sexual harassment will be promptly investigated and resolved. Any person may make a verbal or written report of sex discrimination by any means and at any time.

(Position or name, address, email address, and phone number of the Title IX Coordinator) has been designated to coordinate compliance with nondiscrimination requirements contained in Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 regarding discrimination on the basis of sex, and the Kansas Act Against Discrimination. Information concerning the provisions of these Acts, and the rights provided thereunder, are available from the Title IX Coordinator. Inquiries about the application of Title IX to the district may be referred to the Title IX Coordinator; to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington D.C. 20202-1100, (800)421-3481, or at OCR@ed.gov; or both.

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Response to Harassment Complaints

The district takes all reports of sexual harassment seriously and will respond meaningfully to every report of discrimination based on sex, including sexual harassment, of which the district has actual knowledge. Any students who believe that he or she has been subjected to sexual harassment should report the alleged harassment to the building principal, another administrator, the guidance counselor, the Title IX Coordinator, or another licensed staff member. All employees receiving reports of sexual harassment from a student shall notify the Title IX Coordinator.

Definitions

The following definitions apply to the district in responding to complaints of sexual discrimination including sexual harassment as defined by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Kansas Act Against Discrimination.

The “complainant” means an individual who is alleged to be a victim of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment.

“Dating violence” means violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved.

The “decision-maker” reviews all the evidence and prepares an impartial written responsibility determination as to whether the alleged conduct occurred and provides an opportunity for the parties and their representatives to prepare

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written questions to be answered by the other party. The decision-maker shall not be the Title IX Coordinator or investigator.

“Domestic violence” includes crimes of violence committed by a person who is a current or former spouse, partner, person with whom the victim shares a child, or who is or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse or partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under Kansas or applicable federal law, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim having protection from such person’s acts by Kansas or applicable federal law.

A “formal complaint” means a document filed by a complainant or signed by the Title IX Coordinator alleging sexual harassment against a respondent and requesting that the district investigate the allegation of sexual harassment.

The “investigator” is the person who carries out the investigation after the formal complaint is filed and conducts interviews of the witnesses, collects and documents evidence, and drafts an investigative report.

A “respondent” is an individual who has been reported to be the perpetrator of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment.

“Sexual assault” means an offense classified as a forcible or nonforcible sex offense under the uniform crime reporting system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

“Stalking” means engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his or her safety or the safety of others or to suffer substantial emotional distress.

The “Title IX Coordinator” is the individual designated at the district level who has responsibility to coordinate compliance with Title IX of the

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Education Amendments of 1972, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 regarding discrimination on the basis of sex, and the Kansas Act Against Discrimination. The Title IX Coordinator's responsibilities include, but are not limited to: developing materials and ensuring professional development occurs for staff involved in Title IX compliance, creating systems to centralize records, gathering relevant data, contacting the complainant (and/or parents or guardians, if applicable) once the district has actual knowledge of alleged sexual harassment, coordinating the implementation of supportive measures, signing a formal complaint to initiate a grievance process, and ensuring any remedies are implemented.

The Title IX Coordinator, any investigator, decision-maker, or any person who facilitates an informal resolution process shall not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against the complainant or respondent. These individuals shall receive training on the definition of sexual harassment; the scope of the education program and activities; how to conduct an investigation, including appeals and informal resolution processes; and how to serve impartially, including avoiding prejudgment of the facts, conflicts of interest, and bias. Decision-makers shall receive training on issues of relevance of questions and evidence, including when questions and evidence about the complainant's sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior are not relevant. Investigators shall receive training on issues of relevance of questions and evidence in order for them to create investigative reports that fairly summarize relevant evidence.

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 their immediate supervisor, building administrator, or Title IX

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Coordinator. Employees who fail to report complaints or incidents of sexual harassment to appropriate district officials may face disciplinary action. District officials who fail to investigate and take appropriate corrective action in response to complaints of sexual harassment may also face disciplinary action.

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 stop it and prevent its reoccurrence.

The Title IX Coordinator shall promptly respond in a meaningful way to any reports of sexual discrimination including sexual harassment of which the district has actual knowledge as follows:

- Contact the complainant within 10 business days and discuss the availability of supportive measures, with or without the filing of a formal complaint, and consider the complainant's wishes as to supportive measures; and
- Inform the complainant of the right to a formal complaint investigation consistent with Title IX and the informal resolution process.

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Supportive Measures

The district will treat the complainant and respondent equitably by offering supportive measures. These non-disciplinary and non-punitive measures will be offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without cost to the complainant or the respondent. Supportive measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party. “Supportive Measures” shall include, but not be limited to, measures designed to protect the safety of all parties, to protect the district’s educational environment, or to deter sexual harassment. These measures may include counseling, extensions of deadlines or course-related adjustments, modifications of work or class schedules, escort services, mutual restrictions on contact between the parties, changes in work locations, leaves of absence, increased security and monitoring, and other similar measures. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for coordinating the effective implementation of supportive measures.

The Formal Complaint

No investigation of alleged sexual harassment may occur until after a formal complaint has been filed.

A formal complaint is a document filed by the complainant or signed by the Title IX Coordinator alleging sexual harassment and requesting an investigation. The procedures for filing a formal complaint are as follows:

- At the time of filing a formal complaint, a complainant must be participating in or attempting to participate in the education program or activity of the district concerning which the formal complaint is filed. A formal complaint should be filed in writing and contain the name and

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address of the person filing the complaint. The complaint should briefly describe the alleged violation. Filing of the complaint with the Title IX Coordinator may be done in person, by mail, or by email. If an individual does not wish to file a written complaint, and the matter has not been adequately resolved, the Title IX

- Coordinator may initiate the complaint. Forms for filing written complaints are available in each school building office and the central office.
- A complaint should be filed as soon as possible after the conduct occurs, but not later than 180 calendar days after the complainant becomes aware of the alleged violation, unless the conduct forming the basis for the complaint is ongoing.
- 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 a qualified individual designated by the Title IX Coordinator or another individual appointed by the board. The investigation shall be thorough. All interested persons, including the complainant and the respondent, will be afforded an opportunity to submit written or oral evidence relevant to the complaint.

JGEC Sexual Harassment (See GAAC, GAAD, GAF, JDDC and KN) JGEC-9
Formal Complaint Notice Requirements

Upon filing of a formal complaint, the district shall provide written notice to the known parties including:

- Notice of the allegations of sexual harassment including sufficient details to prepare a response before any initial interview including:
 - the identities of the parties involved, if known;
 - the conduct allegedly constituting sexual harassment; and
 - the date and location of the alleged incident, if known.

- An explanation of the district's investigation procedures, including any informal resolution process;
- A statement that the respondent is presumed not responsible for the alleged conduct and that a determination regarding responsibility will be made by the decision-maker at the conclusion of the investigation;
- Notice to the parties they may have an advisor of their choice and may inspect and review any evidence; and
- Notice to the parties of any provision in the district's code of conduct or policy that prohibits knowingly making false statements or knowingly submitting false information.

If, in the course of an investigation, the investigator decides to investigate allegations about the complainant or respondent that are not included in the notice initially provided, notice of the additional allegations shall be provided to known parties.

JGEC Sexual Harassment (See GAAC, GAAD, GAF, JDDC and KN)JGEC-10
Formal Complaint Investigation Procedures

To ensure a complete and thorough investigation and to protect the parties, the investigator shall:

- Ensure that the preponderance of the evidence burden of proof and the burden of gathering evidence sufficient to reach a determination regarding responsibility rests on the district and not the parties;
- Provide an equal opportunity for the parties to present witnesses and evidence;
- Not restrict either party's ability to discuss the allegations under investigation or to gather and present relevant evidence;
- Allow the parties to be accompanied with an advisor of the party's choice;
- Provide written notice of the date, time, location, participants, and purpose of any interview or meeting at which a party is expected to participate;
- Provide the parties equal access to review all the evidence collected which is directly related to the allegations raised in a formal complaint, including the investigative report, and the opportunity to respond to that evidence before a determination is made;
- Be impartial and objectively evaluate all relevant evidence without relying on sex stereotypes;
- Not have conflicts of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents;
- Not make credibility determinations based on the individual's status as complainant, respondent, or witness.

JGEC Sexual Harassment (See GAAC, GAAD, GAF, JDDC and KN)JGEC-11
Formal Complaint Investigation Report

The investigator shall prepare an investigative report that fairly summarizes relevant evidence and share the report with the parties and their advisors for review and response.

Before completing the investigative report, the investigator must send each party and their advisors the investigative report for review and allow the parties 10 days to submit a written response for the investigator's consideration.

Decision-Maker's Determination

Upon receiving the investigator's report, the decision-maker must make a determination regarding responsibility and afford each party the opportunity to submit written, relevant questions that the parties want asked of any party or witness, provide each party with the answers, and allow for additional, limited follow-up questions.

The decision-maker must issue a written determination regarding responsibility based on a preponderance of the evidence. The decision-maker's written determination shall:

- Identify the allegations potentially constituting sexual harassment;
- Describe the procedural steps taken, including any notifications to the parties, site visits, methods used to gather evidence, and interviews;
- Include the findings of fact supporting the determination;
- Address any district policies and/or conduct rules which apply to the facts;
- A statement of, and rational for, the result as to each allegation, including a determination regarding responsibility; and

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- The procedures and permissible bases for the complainant and/or respondent to appeal the determination.

The written determination may, but is not required to, recommend disciplinary sanctions and any remedies designed to preserve access to the educational program or activity that may be provided by the district to the complainant.

A copy of the written determination shall be provided to both parties simultaneously.

The range of disciplinary sanctions and remedies may include, but may not be limited to, supportive measures, short term suspension, long term suspension, expulsion for students, and/or termination for employees. Complainants and respondents shall be treated equitably by providing remedies to a complainant where a determination of responsibility for sexual harassment has been made. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for the effective implementation of any remedies. 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 with or without pay or terminated, procedures outlined in board policy, the negotiated agreement (as applicable), and/or state law will be followed.

Records relating to complaints filed and their resolution shall be maintained by the Title IX Coordinator for seven years.

The decision becomes final on the date the parties receive the results of an appeal, if any appeal is filed; or on the date the opportunity for an appeal expires.

JGEC Sexual Harassment (See GAAC, GAAD, GAF, JDDC and KN)JGEC-13

Appeals

The complainant or respondent may appeal the decision-maker's determination regarding responsibility or a dismissal of a formal complaint, on the following bases:

- Procedural irregularity that affected the outcomes;
- New evidence that was not reasonably available at the time that could affect the outcome; and/or
- The Title IX Coordinator, investigator, or decision-maker had a conflict of interest or bias against either party that affected the outcome.

The request to appeal shall be made in writing to the Title IX Coordinator within 10 days after the date of the written determination. Appeals shall be a review of the record by an attorney, an independent hearing officer appointed by the board, or the board. The appeal decision-maker may not be the Title IX Coordinator, the Investigator, or the decision-maker from the original determination.

The appeal decision-maker will issue a written decision within 30 days after the appeal is filed. The appeal decision-maker will describe the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result.

The appeal decision-maker shall:

- Review the evidence gathered by the investigator, the investigator's report, and the original decision-maker's determination;
- Notify both parties in writing of the filing of an appeal and give an opportunity to submit further evidence in writing;

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- Not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainant or respondent and receive the required training;
- Issue a written decision and the rationale for the decision within 30 days after the appeal is filed;
- Describe the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result in the decision; and
- Provide the written decision simultaneously to both parties and to the Title IX Coordinator.

Informal Resolution Process

At any time during the formal complaint process and prior to reaching a determination regarding responsibility, the district may facilitate an informal resolution process, such as mediation, that does not involve a full investigation and determination of responsibility.

The informal resolution process may be facilitated by a trained educational professional, consultant, or other individual selected by the Title IX Coordinator under the following conditions:

- The parties are provided a written notice disclosing the allegations, the requirements of the informal resolution process, and information on when it may preclude the parties from resuming a formal complaint arising from the same allegations;
- At any time prior to agreeing to a resolution, any party has the right to withdraw from the informal resolution process, resume the investigation of the formal complaint, and be informed of any consequences resulting from participating in the informal resolution process;

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- The parties voluntarily and in writing consent to the informal resolution process; and
- The informal resolution process cannot be used to resolve allegations that an employee sexually harassed a student.

If the matter is resolved to the satisfaction of the parties, the facilitator shall document the nature of the complaint and the proposed resolution, have both parties sign the documentation and receive a copy, and forward it to the Title IX Coordinator. Within 20 days after the complaint is resolved in this manner, the Title IX Coordinator shall contact the complainant to determine if the resolution of the matter remains acceptable. If the matter is not resolved, or if the individual does not believe the resolution remains acceptable within 20 days after the informal resolution document is executed, the individual or the Title IX Coordinator may proceed with the formal complaint process.

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 appeal.

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.

JGEC Sexual Harassment (See GAAC, GAAD, GAF, JDDC and KN)JGEC-16

The filing of a complaint or otherwise reporting sex discrimination including 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 sex discrimination, including sexual harassment, 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 and the complaint procedures including how to report or file a formal complaint of sex discrimination or sexual harassment shall be posted in each district facility shall be published in student handbooks, and on the district's website as directed by the Title IX Coordinator. Notification of the policy may include posting informational notices, publishing in local newspapers, publishing in newspapers and magazines operated by the school, or distributing memoranda or other written communications to students and employees. In addition, the district is required to include a statement of nondiscriminatory policy in any bulletins, announcements, publications, catalogs, application forms, or other recruitment materials that are made available to participants, students, applicants, or employees.

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(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 in any district education program or activity 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.

It shall 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.

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;

(See GAACA, GAAB, GAF, JDDC and KN)

- 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 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

(See GAACA, GAAB, GAF, JDDC and KN)

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.

(See GAACA, GAAB, GAF, JDDC and KN)

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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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.

Approved: 12/15

JGFF Student Transportation

JGFF

(See JGG)

Use of Vehicles and Bicycles

The superintendent may develop procedures regulating to the driving, parking, and use of vehicles and the use and parking of bicycles or other similar equipment during the school day. Failure to observe district rules and/or procedures may result in disciplinary action.

Rules and procedures concerning use of vehicles and bicycles on school property may be included in the student and/or other district handbooks.

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 procedures relevant to their use of transportation to school and school-related activities.

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When a staff member becomes aware that a student has been involved in an accident at school, on school property or at a school-sponsored event, the staff member shall follow the rules for the care of an injured student and 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 to make the student as comfortable as possible while waiting for medical assistance to arrive. If an employee is qualified to administer first aid, that aid may be given. Qualified employees, for the purpose of this policy, are those employees who have successfully completed an approved Red Cross first aid program or the school nurse.

When appropriate, the student's parent (s) shall be notified of the injury 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.

Records

Appropriate records documenting student accidents shall be maintained.

Approved: 12/15

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.

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 the medication 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 new physician and parent Permission signatures and a newly labeled pharmacy container.

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.

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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Permission for Medication

Name of Student _____

School _____ Grade _____

Teacher _____

Medication _____ Dosage _____ Date _____

Started _____ Time of _____

day medication is to be given _____

I hereby give my permission for _____ to take the above medication at school as ordered. I understand that it is my responsibility to furnish this medication. I further understand that any school employee who administers any drug or nonprescription medication pursuant to parental written request to my student in accordance with written instructions from the physician or dentist shall not be liable for damages as a result of an adverse medication reaction suffered by the student because of administering such medication.

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian

NOTE: The medication is to be brought to school in the original container appropriately labeled by the pharmacy, or physician, stating the name of the medication, the dosage and times to be administered.

SAMPLE FORM

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School _____

Medications Given at School

Name of Student _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Physician's Name _____ Phone _____

Medication _____ Prescribed by _____

Dosage _____ Time to be Given _____

Duration of Orders _____

Administered By

Date Time Dosage (signature) Comments

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.

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.

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.

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 of 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.

Approved: 8/09; 12/16

Permission for Self-Administration of Medication

Name of Student _____

School _____ Grade _____

Teacher _____

Medication _____ Dosage _____ Date
Started _____

Conditions under which the medication is to be given:

_____ Any
additional circumstances under which the medication is to be given:

Length of time medication is to be administered:

I hereby give my Permission for **(name of student)** to administer the above medication at school as ordered. I understand that it is my responsibility to furnish this medication. I acknowledge that the school incurs no liability for any injury resulting from the self-administration of medication and agree to indemnify and hold the school, and its employees and agents, harmless against any claims relating to the self-administration of such medication.

**My child has been instructed on self-administration of the
medication and is authorized to do so in school.**

Signature of Parent or Guardian

[NOTE: Parental permission must be renewed annually]

_____ Date _____

Signature of Health Care Provider

_____ Date _____

Approved:

JGG Transportation

JGG

(See ED and EDDA)

School-provided transportation shall be available 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.

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 Video Cameras** (See CN and JR et seq)

JGGA

The district may use video cameras to monitor student activity.

Video cameras may be used to monitor students riding in district vehicles and to monitor student behavior in or around any district facility.

Video files that are records of student behavior shall be secured until the file is destroyed. The video file 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.

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Contracts With Other Agencies

The board may enter into contracts with the governing authority of any nonpublic school or any childcare 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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Master List

JGHB Vending Machines and Other Automated Play Machines
(See DK and JGCA)

JGHB

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 sign age 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** (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 procedures listed on the “Request to Add/Eliminate Activities” form.

Activity Fund Management: Delegated to each principal

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REQUEST TO ADD/ELIMINATE AN ACTIVITY

1. Name:
2. Address:
3. Represents: Self Group:
4. Name of Group:
5. Activity to eliminate: Explain rationale
6. Activity to add:
7. Proposed start-up budget: \$ _____
 - Prepare a detailed budget sheet for board consideration.
 - Where would you get the money?
 - If no new money is available, what existing program would you propose reducing or eliminating to fund the proposed budget?
8. On-going budget: \$ _____

Prepare a reasonably detailed on-going budget which describes the on-going expenses necessary to maintain the program.
9. Indicate need to add program:
10. OTHER:

Use additional paper as necessary.

Signed: _____

Date submitted to administration: _____

JHA Parent Organizations and Booster Clubs

JHA

Parent organizations and booster clubs have no administrative authority and cannot determine District policy; the board does, however, welcome their suggestions and assistance.

Approved: 8/10

Parent Organizations and Booster Clubs

Reference: USD Policy JHA

Parent organizations and booster clubs have no administrative authority and cannot determine District policy; the board does, however, welcome their suggestions and assistance. Parent organizations and booster clubs are recognized by the Board and permitted to use the District's name, a District school's name, or a District school's team name, or any logo attributable to the District provided they first receive the Superintendent or designee's express written consent.

Consent to use one of the above-mentioned names or logos will generally be granted if the organization or club has by-laws containing the following: The organization's or club's name and purpose, such as, to enhance students' educational experiences, to help meet educational needs of students, to provide extra athletic benefits to students, to assist specific sports teams or academic clubs through financial support, or to enrich extracurricular activities.

The rules and procedures under which it operates.

- An agreement to adhere to all Board policies and administrative procedures.
- A statement that membership is open and unrestricted, meaning that membership is open to parents/guardians of students enrolled in the school, District staff, and community members
- A statement that the District is not, and will not be, responsible for the organization's or club's business or the conduct of its members.
- An agreement to maintain and protect its own finances.
- Staff salaries *and other contractual work agreements* will not be paid through money raised by parent groups.
- Sports team uniforms recorded on the school's inventory will be purchased through the building budget, not through parent organization donations.
- Approved *monetary* donations/gifts to the school should be deposited in the school's activity account.

Money given to a school by a parent organization cannot be earmarked for any particular expense. *Parent organizations* may make recommendations, but cash or other valuable contributions must be given to the District to use at its discretion. The Board's legal obligation to comply with Title IX by providing equal athletic opportunity for members of both genders will supersede any organization or club's recommendation.

Permission to use one of the above-mentioned names or logos may be rescinded at any time and does not constitute permission to act as the District's representative. At no time does the District accept responsibility for the actions of any parent organization or booster club regardless of whether it was recognized and/or permitted to use any of the above-mentioned names or logos. The building principal will serve as the liaison to parent organizations or booster clubs. The liaison will serve as a resource person and provide information about school programs, resources, policies, problems, concerns, and emerging issues. Building staff will be encouraged to participate in the organizations.

(Approved 8/10)

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 and have such request granted prior to using the facilities. The non-school sponsored club shall specify in its facility use request the adult who will provide supervision of the activity.

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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

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 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.

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 or libelous, or 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.

Approved: 8/09

Gang intimidation is the communication of any threat of personal injury to another, actual personal injury to another, or any threat of or actual damage to another's property. Gang intimidation on school owned or operated property; at school-sponsored activities, programs, or events, or which disrupt the school environment is prohibited.

Disciplinary action may be taken against any student for participating in gang intimidation or causing and/or participating in gang-related activities on school owned or operated property; or at school-sponsored activities, programs, or events. District staff may be provided in-service training regarding gang behavior and characteristics to facilitate identification of students involved in gang activities.

Approved: 8/09,12/20

JI Community Activities

JI

Students shall not participate in any community activities during school hours without the prior Permission of the principal.

Approved: 8/09

JJ **Employment of Students** (See IDAA)

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.

Approved: 12/15

JK Solicitations (See KI)

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.

Approved: 8/09

JL **Gifts** (See DK, GAJ and 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.

Approved: 8/09

JM Contests for Students (See JH)

JM

No student shall enter any contest as a school representative unless the contest is approved by the KSHSAA or by the administration.

Approved: 8/09

Awards for participation in interscholastic activities shall be limited to those approved by the KSHSAA.

Approved: 8/09

JQ **Exceptional Students** (See IDCE and JBE)

JQ

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 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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 12/15

JQE Alternative Arrangements for Nontraditional Students

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.

Approved: 12/15

Adult students who have not graduated from high school are encouraged to attend high school classes.

Approved: 8/09

JQKA Foreign Exchange Students (See JBC)

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.

Approved: 12/15

APPLICATION FORM

Foreign Exchange Student/Host Family
(To Be Completed by Host Family and School Administrator)

Host Family Information

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip Code _____ Phone No. _____

Names, ages, and class of host family children attending the schools of the district:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Class or Grade Level</u>
1)	_____	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____	_____
4)	_____	_____	_____

Foreign Exchange Student

Name _____ Nationality _____ Age _____

Address _____ City _____

Country _____ Phone No. _____

Sponsoring Agency _____

School diploma received from home country? _____ Yes ___ No

Check courses that student has completed. (verified from official transcript)

_____ English	Number of verified units _____
_____ Science	Number of verified units _____
_____ Social Studies	Number of verified units _____
_____ Physical Education	Number of verified units _____
_____ Native language class	Number of verified units _____

We, acting as host family, assume full responsibility for (student's name) while he/she is residing with us. We are not sponsoring this student for personal profit and will ensure that all of the policies, rules, and regulations of the board are followed.

Date

Signature of head of host family

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.

Approved: 12/15

JQLA Class-size/Caseload Limits for Exceptional Students

JQLA

The superintendent shall evaluate and review annually class size/caseload for students with exceptionalities.

Approved: 8/09

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

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.

Approved: 8/09;6/14

JRA **Types of Records**

JRA

(See BCBK, CN, CYA, ECA, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KBA)

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 reports of teachers or counselors that may be needed in ongoing counseling or disciplinary actions.

Approved: 8/09

JRB **Release of Student Records**

JRB

(See BCBK, CN, CNA, E C A, 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 post-secondary 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 case worker 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.

JRB Release of Student Records

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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.

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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.

Approved: 8/09; 12/16

JRC **Disposition of Records**

JRC

(See BCBK, CN, CNA, E C A, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KBA)

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 retained in a format designated by the administration.

Approved: 8/10

JRD Hearing Request

JRD

(See BCBK, CN, CYA, ECA, IDAE, JGGA, JR et seq. and KBA)

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Forwarding Pupil Records

Administrators shall forward student's school records upon request and may not withhold them for any reason.

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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.

Approved: 8/09

KB Public Information Programs

KB

(See CEE, CEF, and KBA)

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 or the superintendent's designee 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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/22

(See DB, DC, ECH, IDAE, II, IIBG, JBC, JR et seq., and KB)

The board may establish a district website and may allow creation of websites for individual schools. The district website shall be maintained and updated as directed by the superintendent or the superintendent's designee. The school websites shall be maintained and updated as directed by the principal or the principal's designee.

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;

KBA District or School Websites

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- district budgets, the summary of the proposed budget, the needs assessment, and the state assessment documentation described in board policy DB;
- the board's policy for the part-time enrollment of students; and a copy of any nonacademic test, questionnaire, survey, or examination containing any questions about the personal and private attitudes, values, beliefs, or practices of the student or the student's parents, guardians, family members, associates, friends, or peers that is administered during the school day in accordance with board policy IDAE.
- the boards 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.

Approved: 8/15; 6/22

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 websites. 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 websites without prior written permission of the student who created the work. _____ Principal, etc. shall be in charge of monitoring permission to post copyrighted materials.

Software Copy right (See ECH)

Software acquired by staff using district or school websites, 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 copy righted 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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 6/14

KCB Custodial and Non-Custodial Parent Rights

KCB

The district recognizes that divorced parents continue to share caregiving and custody of their children and that each parent, if not otherwise prohibited by court order, should have equal access to information regarding his/her child's school progress and activities. The district recognizes the value of providing information to both parents regarding school progress and activities pertaining to their child(ren).

Upon request to a child's principal, either parent may obtain copies of school information such as report cards and progress reports.

Approved: 6/14

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.

Approved: 8/09

KFD **School Volunteers** (See EBAA and IFC)

KFD

School volunteers work under the school staff's direction with the principal's approval.

School volunteers are bound by the policies, rules and regulations of the district, serve without financial compensation and are not covered by workers' compensation.

Approved: 8/09

KG Use of School Facilities by Community Groups (See DFG and JH) KG

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.

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.

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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.

Approved: 8/09; 6/14

KGA Use of District Personal Property and Equipment

KGA

Requests for use of district personal property or equipment by outside tax-exempt organizations shall be submitted to the superintendent or the superintendent's designee. Any request shall be granted or denied pursuant to guidelines for using personal property or equipment approved by the board. The superintendent may establish a deposit or requirement for the purchase of insurance for use of district personal property or equipment before it is removed from the school grounds or other district property. The deposit will be paid to the district clerk and will be refunded when the property or equipment is returned in working order.

Lost, Stolen, or Damaged Property or Equipment

No request for use of district personal property or equipment shall be granted until the requestor executes a use agreement specifying such person will agree to pay the district fair market value for any district personal property or equipment that has been lost, stolen, or has suffered irreparable damage while in the requestor's possession. For the purposes of this policy, "irreparable damage" shall include any damage severe enough that the cost to repair such equipment would be more than the fair market value of the district personal property or equipment. If district personal property or equipment is returned damaged beyond normal wear and tear of acceptable use, the requestor shall be responsible for the cost to repair such personal property or equipment. The district may also require the purchase of insurance.

Personal Use

No district personal property or equipment shall be used by staff for personal reasons at school or away from its designated station without the prior

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approval of the superintendent. No district personal property or equipment shall be used by the superintendent for personal reasons at school or away from its designated location without the prior approval of the board of education.

Definition

District personal property means any property other than property that is land, buildings and property that is physically attached to land or buildings which is owned by or under the control of the school district.

Approved: 6/12; 12/21; 6/22

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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

KGC Bullying by Parents

KGC

(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 may be posted on the district’s website, and copies of such documents shall be made available to parents of current students upon request.

Approved: 12/15; 6/22

KGD **Disruptive Acts at School or School Activities**
(See EBC, GAAE, JCDBB, JDDC, and KGC)

KGD

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.

Any one 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.

Approved: 8/15

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.

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.

Approved: 6/14

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KH Gifts to Schools (See GAJ and JL)

KH

Any organization or individual making a gift to the district shall have the prior approval of the board. All gifts will be regarded as district property.

Persons or organizations desiring to make gifts to the schools should contact the superintendent.

Approved: 8/09

KI Distributing Materials in Schools (See JHCA, JK and JR et seq.)

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.

Mailing Lists

No mailing lists of students shall be given to individuals, organizations or vendors for the purpose of distributing materials.

Approved: 8/09

Sample only: Adapt for Local Use

Distribution Rules: Non-School Materials USD 343

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

Approved: 4/99; 3/00

KK Sale of District Property (See DFM)

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 compliance coordinator 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 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. 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.

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 in formal 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.
 - ◊ 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 de termination 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.

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.

Approved: 8/15

U.S.D. No. 343

Patron Complaint Form

Name of Complainant: _____
Address: _____
Telephone Number: _____

Nature of the Complaint: I believe that there has been an incidence of inappropriate behavior on the basis of:

_Race _Color _National Origin _Racial Harassment
_Sex Sexual Harassment _Disability _Religion
_Age Other _____

Please describe the incident or act complained of. Please include information about: the person engaging in the conduct; the nature of the conduct; when it occurred; where it occurred; what effect the incident had on you or those involved.

Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Were there any witness to this incident? _Yes _No

If yes, please indicate who the witnesses were:

What action do you believe the school should take with regard to this incident?

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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.

Approved: 8/09

LB School-Community Cooperation

LB

The board shall seek to foster cooperation between the schools and community groups and organizations.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

LDD Federal Government-Drug Free Schools
(See GAOA, GAOB, IDAB and JDDA)

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.

Approved: 8/09

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 may be the document: Federal Education Grants Management: What administrators Need to Know, Office of Management and Budget circulars, or other pertinent documents developed by the U.S. Department of Education.

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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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

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.

Approved: 8/09

MI Kansas Education Systems Accreditation

MI

Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (here after “KESA”) is a district-wide accreditation process. Accreditation with in this process is ultimately granted by the Kansas State Board of Education. The district school board (here after “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.

Approved: 8/09; 12/16

MK Educational Accreditation Agency Relations (See IJ)

MK

The district may remain a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Approved: 8/09