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INTEREST RATE ON INVESTMENT
Effective 11/27/23 through 12/3/23

Date: November 27, 2023
To: Chief School Administrators
From: Craig Neuenswander
 Deputy Commissioner
 Dale Brungardt
 Director of School Finance

TERM	CURRENT	PREVIOUS
1 to 89 Days	5.33%	5.33%
3 Months	5.42%	5.40%
6 Months	5.41%	5.41%
1 Year	5.23%	5.29%
18 Months	5.10%	5.07%
2 Years	4.90%	4.89%

*Minimum investment rates banks must offer to secure public funds as prescribed by K.S.A. 75-4210
 Maximum length of investment term is two years.*

Payments

Dec 1, 2023 State Foundation Aid, Bond & Interest (Capital Improvement),
 Driver Ed State Safety, Mental Health Liaison
 Dec 7, 2023 Selected Federal Payments
 Dec 15, 2023 Special Education, Juvenile Detention
 State Aid paymentsRose Ireland (785) 296-4973 rireland@ksde.org
 Federal Aid (Form 240)Rose Ireland (785) 296-4973 rireland@ksde.org
 Meal reimbursementJennifer Barger (785) 296-4965 jbarger@ksde.org

Report Due Dates

Dec 1Special Education Categorical Aid Personnel Report (deadline to update)
[Evelyn Alden](#) (785) 296-3868
 Dec 1KIDS Collection SMSC (Rural Education Achievement Program (REAP) Funding
 (open Dec 1-Jan 5) [KSDE Helpdesk](#) (785) 296-7935
 Dec 1Juvenile Detention Center Application due (select LEAs)
[Sara McCullah](#) (785) 296-4972
 Dec 1-20Request January Federal Funds (Form 240) if funds available
 (open Dec 1-20) [Rose Ireland](#) (785) 296-4973
 Dec 4-8Request for State Foundation Aid for January (all USDs - open Dec 4-8)
 final request for FY2024 [Rose Ireland](#) (785) 296-4973
 Dec 11Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) 2021-2022 data (Dec 11 – Feb 26)
[Richard Matteson](#) (785) 291-3534
 Dec 15Mill Rate by Fund submission for all USDs (open Nov 15-Dec 15)
[Marcia Ricklefs](#) (785) 296-4209
 Dec 15IDEA Maintenance of Effort and Excess Cost Report (submission deadline for
 coop/interlocal member districts) [Christy Weiler](#) (785) 296-1712
 Dec 18Round 2 [Capital Projects Fund Accelerator grant applications](#) due
[\(Link to submit questions\)](#)
 Dec 20Emergency Safety Intervention Data (in KIAS) due for events occurring between
 June 1-Dec 20 [Trish Backman](#) (785) 296-6937

School Year Calendar – Spring Break Alignment

In 2020, the Kansas State Board of Education accepted the recommendation of the work group representing Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR), Kansas State Board of Education (KSBE) and Coordinating Council (KBOR, KSBE and Kansas Chamber of Commerce) to align spring break calendars. This decision would benefit high school students who are pursuing dual credit and also assist families with students enrolled in different education systems. Administration and school boards may wish to consider aligning spring break on their school calendar with the dates agreed upon by Kansas regent universities and colleges which are listed below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Spring Break</u>
2024	March 11-15
2025	March 17-21
2026	March 16-22

While the state board recommends school districts align spring breaks with those set by the higher education systems, this remains a local decision.

Kansas Clean Diesel Program

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) currently has a school bus award opportunity open to districts that own and operate their own fleets. Briefly -

- One older model diesel powered school bus is required to be decommissioned for every new school bus awarded through the KS program, up to 5 school buses.
- New bus(es) that are diesel, alt-fuel and battery electric are eligible for an award from KDHE.
- Most awardees will receive up to 25% reimbursement for new buses purchased, per requirement. Projects involving new buses that are battery electric will receive 45% reimbursement, per requirement.
- State (KS) funding cannot be stacked with federal (EPA) for the same bus, per state and federal requirements.
- Awards cannot be processed if the order for the bus/buses has already been placed by the school district.

Deadline for submissions is January 22, 2024. Please visit <https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/404/Kansas-Clean-Diesel-Program> for the application process.

In other KS Clean Diesel Program news, Kathleen Waters would like to introduce Amy L. Bloom, Public Service Administrator as the contact person for this school bus opportunity.

For questions, please send e-mail to Amy.L.Bloom@ks.gov

Preliminary Legal Max Letters

School Finance staff are in the process of generating preliminary legal max letters in hopes to have them posted online no later than December 1. Once they become available, we will send out notification.

Prior year **FINAL** legal max letters are posted on the School Finance homepage for each school district. Click [here](#) and scroll down to the heading: **FY23 Legal Max Letters**. We recommend you keep a copy of last year's final letter as your auditor will ask to see it.

FINAL AUDITED LEGAL MAX

If you have questions, please contact the School Finance office at (785) 296-3872.

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