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Date: July 29, 2013

To: Chief School Administrators

From: Dale M. Dennis, Deputy Commissioner
Craig Neuenswander, Director
School Finance

INTEREST RATE ON INVESTMENT
Effective 7/29/13 through 8/4/13

TERM	CURRENT	PREVIOUS
1 to 89 Days	**0.09%**	0.09%
3 Months	**0.01%**	0.03%
6 Months	**0.06%**	0.07%
1 Year	**0.13%**	0.13%
18 Months	**0.20%**	0.21%
2 Years	**0.31%**	0.32%

Minimum investment rates banks must offer to secure public funds as prescribed by K.S.A. 75-4210

August payments

August 1 .....General State Aid, Bond & Interest
August 8 .....Federal Aid (if requested)
August 15 .....Parents As Teachers, KS Preschool Program (Tiny K)

Payment amounts will be posted on the School Finance homepage near the date of deposit:
http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1891

Contacts:
State aid payments: Kevin Mercer kmercer@ksde.org or call (785) 296-4973
Sara Barnes sbarnes@ksde.org or call (785) 296-4972

Federal aid payments (Form 240): Rose Ireland rireland@ksde.org or call (785) 296-2020.

Due Dates

July 31 - Directory Updates (web app) **Attn: USDs, Interlocals and Service Centers** (instructions in July 8 interest letter)
Even if there are no personnel or address changes for your LEA for the coming school year, ***all LEAs need to review and verify your existing data***. To check whether your directory information has been updated and submitted, click here to open the web app: https://online.ksde.org/authentication/login.aspx.
Contact: Nik Stewart mstewart@ksde.org

August 9 - 18E - Annual Statistical Report (web app)

August 25 - USD and Interlocal Budgets – certify budget document to KSDE and county (instructions in July 22 interest letter)
Download forms and instructions here: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1844

18E - Annual Statistical Report due August 9

Reminder: 10 (ten) working days remain to complete the Annual Statistical Report. This web application collects information such as bond data, summer school enrollment information, indirect costs, teacher contracts, and transportation data such as number of bus drivers, miles traveled, and vehicle depreciation.

Please make sure someone has been assigned to collect and enter the data on this report. At this time, 28 districts have completed their report, 144 districts are in progress, and 114 districts have not started.

Instructions are posted online. Download the user manual: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1877
Contacts: Kevin Mercer kmercer@ksde.org or Sara Barnes sbarnes@ksde.org

Application for Out-of-District Attendance & Transportation

(for students under K.S.A. 72-1046b) This statute does not apply for school districts with territory in Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee or Wyandotte counties.

Does your school district accept out-of-district students? Does the family request your district to provide transportation to their children who reside in a neighboring district, but reside 2.5 or more miles from the appropriate attendance center? (K.S.A. 72-1046b amended the law from 10 miles to 2.5 miles in 2012).

If the answer is yes, the out-of-district application (sample below) must be signed **every year** by the parent/legal guardian. With this application, the parent/legal guardian applies for authority for their child(ren) to attend another district and be provided transportation to and from school by the receiving school district.

Sample 2013-2014 application:

A copy of this form should be provided to the school district of residence.

Effective 2013-2014 School Year

Application for
Out-Of-District[1] School Attendance and Transportation[2]

To: Board of Education of USD No. _____ _____ County, Kansas
(Receiving School District)

I, the parent of:

Student's Legal Name _____ _____ _____
Specify Gender: Male Female *Last Name* *First Name* *Grade in 2013-14*

Student's Legal Name _____ _____ _____
Specify Gender: Male Female *Last Name* *First Name* *Grade in 2013-14*

Student's Legal Name _____ _____ _____
Specify Gender: Male Female *Last Name* *First Name* *Grade in 2013-14*

Student's Legal Name _____ _____ _____
Specify Gender: Male Female *Last Name* *First Name* *Grade in 2013-14*

hereby certify that my child(ren) and I are residents of U.S. D. No. _____ and we reside 2.5 or more miles from the attendance center my child or children would attend in U.S.D. No. _____.

Therefore, under K.S.A. 72-1046b, I hereby apply for authority for my child(ren) named above to attend school in U.S.D. No. _____ (Receiving School District) and to be furnished or provided transportation to and from school by the Receiving School District for the 2013-2014 school year.

To download the complete application, link here: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=3599, look under the **Pupil Transportation** heading, and select Out-of-District School Attendance and Transportation (application). If you have questions, contact Craig Neuenswander, School Finance, at 785-296-3872.

Council of Superintendents Meeting Dates

The Council of Superintendents is a collaborative effort between KSSA (Kansas School Superintendents Association) and KSDE (Kansas State Department of Education). The goal of the Council is to serve as liaison between KSDE and Public Schools of Kansas to foster communication and exchange information regarding current and emerging issues in education as well as provide advice and counsel to KSDE to guide the department in the development of initiatives and strategies to improve student learning.

Non-member superintendents are also encouraged to attend meetings when your schedule allows. The list of members and information about the Council of Superintendents is available on the KSSA website: http://www.usakansas.org/kssa/phpdocs/KSSA_Council.php

2013-2014 Council of Superintendents

September 18 .....KSDE (Topeka) 120 SE 10th Street
October.....no meeting
November 6.....USD 305, 1511 Gypsum, Salina
December .....no meeting (Winter Break)
January 15.....KSDE (Topeka) 900 SW Jackson, Room 102
February 12.....KSDE (Topeka) 900 SW Jackson, Room 102
March.....no meeting (Spring Break)
April 9.....KSDE (Topeka) 900 SW Jackson, Room 102

Call to order at 3:00 p.m. and adjourn approximately 6:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Over several weekends in October 2013, the Kansas State Department of Education will be relocating all offices to the **Landon State Office Building** at **900 SW Jackson Street** in Topeka. The new offices are approximately three blocks northwest of the current location. Landon faces the east lawn of the State Capitol. Enter through the revolving door at the corner of SW Jackson & 9th Street. The Board Room is on the 1st floor.

PARKING: Visitors to the State Department of Education may park on the street (have change for the parking meter) or in one of the downtown parking garages. KSDE does not validate for parking. Street parking is limited, especially from January – May, when the Legislature is in session. For a complete listing of parking garages downtown, click here or copy and paste this link in your web browser: http://www.topeka.org/pdfs/MetersandParkingGarages.pdf.

Note: *The November meeting will be held in Salina (approximately 90 miles from Wichita via I-135 North). The* ***KSDE Annual Conference*** *is November 4–6 in Wichita. The conference is scheduled to end by 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 6.*

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