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INTEREST RATE ON INVESTMENT
Effective 10/21/13 through 10/27/13

TERM	CURRENT	PREVIOUS
1 to 89 Days	**0.10%**	0.09%
3 Months	**0.03%**	0.09%
6 Months	**0.08%**	0.12%
1 Year	**0.14%**	0.19%
18 Months	**0.23%**	0.26%
2 Years	**0.33%**	0.36%

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

2013-2014 budget documents available on KSDE website

Each district's current year budget information is available online. Listed below are 2013-2014 budget documents which are available for review in pdf format:

- **Budget document**
- **Form 150**
- **Budget at a Glance**
- **Budget Profile**

To view, go to the School Finance homepage: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=3520

The following disclaimer is provided online for persons reviewing these documents:

> **NOTE:** These USD budget summaries are based upon the official budget adopted by the local Boards of Education in August 2013 and may have been amended since then due to enrollment changes as well as other factors.

Budget documents are also available for the prior 10 years.

Dropout Graduation Summary Report closes Nov. 1

The submission window for the Dropout Graduation Summary Report (DGSR) closes in ten days. This report provides schools and districts an opportunity to review and certify their unresolved exit, dropout and graduation data. **Any school/district that does not submit this report by 5 p.m. Friday, November 1, will by default have its data considered as accurate.**

Please remember that *all grades* should review the DGSR to ensure that they have no unresolved exits. An unresolved exit is a student who belonged to the school in the prior school year in KIDS on either an ENRL or EOYA record, did not have EXIT record submitted and has not had a KIDS ENRL or ASGT record sent up for the current school year. Any unresolved exits in grades 7-12 that are not corrected, will automatically become dropouts for that school once the DGSR closes. *Every school must sign-off on the DGSR, even if it is an elementary or middle school with no unresolved exits or dropouts.*

A User Manual is available for this report on the KSDE Graduation webpage: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=4606.

If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Noble at 785-296-3163 or jnoble@ksde.org.

Transportation-related statutes

1. ***Headlight Law (all vehicles)*** *– share with all students and staff who drive.*
   K.S.A. 8-1703 was amended during 2006 to read that all vehicles on Kansas highways will drive with headlights on when:
   a) windshield wipers are in continuous use as a result of rain, sleet or snow, or
   b) due to insufficient light or unfavorable atmospheric conditions, including smoke or fog.

   It also states law enforcement shall issue a warning citation to anyone violating this subsection.

2. ***No texting while driving -*** K.S.A. 8-15,111 prohibits a person who is operating a motor vehicle on a public road or highway from "texting," using a wireless communications device to write, send, or read a written communication. This bill defines "wireless communications device" to include any type of device that sends or receives messages, but to exclude voice-operated devices. (passed by 2010 legislature)

3. ***School Bus -*** K.S.A. Supp. 8-2009a placed a limit on the age of all school buses of 25 years from the date of manufacture of such school bus.

4. ***Speed Limit (School Bus) -*** K.S.A. 8-1558 allows school buses to travel at posted speed limits - except that the board of education of any school district may establish, by board policy, lower maximum speed limits for the operation of district school buses.

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