



Kansas Education Systems Accreditation

Row #1	Subject	KESA	QPA
1	Entity receiving accreditation	Districts/systems	Individual schools
2	Accreditation ratings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accredited • Accredited-Conditional • Not Accredited 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accredited • Accredited on improvement • Conditionally accredited
3	Frequency of accreditation action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every 5 years • KSBE can adjust rating at any time based on non-compliance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annually • Years-long process before rating can be adjusted. Adjustment based on performance only.
4	Educational framework required	The Five Rs or vetted equivalent	None
5	Minimum educational elements required	Foundational Structures	Quality Criteria checklist
6	Planning required	Process (below) includes development of goals/plans, which are entered into the KESA authenticated application.	School improvement plan is item on Quality Criteria checklist.
7	Minimum process required	5-step growth process: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Needs assessment 2. Goal development 3. Action plan development 4. Implementation 5. Re-assessment to determine growth 	None
8	Type of results required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growth-based • Multiple types of data/evidence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality Criteria checklist • AYP target on state assessments
9	Outside validation required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside Validation Team (OVT) • Minimum requirement of yearly interaction with district/system 	None
10	External guidance required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside Validation Team (OVT) • Minimum requirement of yearly interaction with district/system 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • External Technical Assistance Team (ETAT) • No minimum requirement for interaction with school
11	Compliance with statutes/regulations required	Yes. For “accredited” rating, districts/systems must be in good standing with KSDE regarding all applicable statutory and regulatory requirements.	None
12	Stakeholder participation required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building site council—primarily non-employees (parents, community) – also required by Kansas Statute 72-6479(d) • District site council—primarily non-employees (parents, community) • Building leadership team—building employees • District leadership team—district employees 	Building site council – required by Kansas Statute 72-6439 (d) then 72-6479(d)