# Kansas Technical Assistance System Network (TASN)

## Fact Sheet 2016-2019

### Special Education and Title Services

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### TASN Overview

- Provides support to all districts in Kansas.
- Designed to enhance the capacity of local school districts to implement evidence-based practices related to the Kansas Board of Education Goals, ESEA, IDEA, and the implementation of the Kansas MTSS Integrated Framework.
- By establishing and maintaining communication and work alignment of all SETS technical assistance providers in the network, TASN provides coordinated support that leads to improved outcomes for Kansas children and families.
- TASN is funded through IDEA Part B, Part D, Title and State Personnel Development Grant.

### Partners

- Families Together, Inc.
- Kansas Parent Information Resource Center
- Kansas State School for the Blind
- Kansas State School for the Deaf
- Keystone Learning Services
- KSDE Special Education Services and Title Services (SETS)
- Pittsburg State University - Department of Education
- Southeast Kansas Education Service Center - Greenbush
- Southwest Plains Regional Service Center
- State Personnel Development Grant (SPDG)
- Texas Tech University
- United Cerebral Palsy/Sequine
- University of Kansas
- University of Nebraska at Lincoln
- Utah State University – Center for Technical Assistance for Excellence in Special Education (TAESE)
- Valdosta State University – Georgia

### Supports Provided

- Leadership, guidance, and support for exceptional learners receiving special education services throughout Kansas
- A single point of access to all services provided through TASN
- Direct intensive support to targeted districts and buildings, identified by KSDE, in the identification of root causes through the development and implementation of a school improvement plan (Kansas Learning Network – KLN)
- Recruitment of qualified teachers for high-need positions and support/retention of effective teachers through the Kansas Educational Employment Board (KEEB) and eMentoring for Student Success (eMSS)
- Braille, large print, or recorded textbooks and other educational materials for Kansas students who are blind/visually impaired
- Assistive technology information, equipment and training and instructional resources based on Universal Design for Learning (UDL)
- Preparation and mentoring of teachers of students who are blind, visually impaired, or deaf.
- On-line repository of digitized instructional materials including textbooks and other classroom related printed materials
- Facilitation for districts through the process of implementing a district-wide Kansas Multi-Tier System of Supports (MTSS) Integrated model including tertiary behavior supports
- Professional learning and support for early intervention and early childhood education
- Professional learning, technical assistance and development of resources related to family engagement
- Support for teachers of students with autism and other complex needs
- Professional learning and support for staff to provide instruction in co-taught classrooms

### Website

Information and support can be accessed at [http://www.ksdetasn.org](http://www.ksdetasn.org)

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