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*INTEREST RATE ON INVESTMENT
 Effective 02/08/21 through 2/14/21*

Date: February 8, 2021
To: Chief School Administrators
From: Craig Neuenswander,
 Deputy Commissioner
 Veryl D. Peter, Interim
 Director of School Finance

TERM	CURRENT	PREVIOUS
1 to 89 Days	0.08%	0.07%
3 Months	0.01%	0.03%
6 Months	0.04%	0.06%
1 Year	0.07%	0.08%
18 Months	0.08%	0.09%
2 Years	0.10%	0.11%

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

February Payments

The following state aid payments will deposit on **Tuesday, February 16.**

Mental Health (CMHC)

- Deposit to: Gifts and Grants (Code 35), Revenue Code 3228
- Contact: [Christie Wyckoff](#) (785) 296-6321

Capital Outlay state aid

- Deposit to: Capital Outlay (Code 16)
- Contact: [Rose Ireland](#) (785) 296-4973

State Safety (Driver Education) state aid

- Deposit to: Driver Training fund (Code 18)
- Contact: [Nicole Norwood](#) (785) 296-2020
- KSDE Driver Education contact: [Robyn Meinholdt](#) (785) 296-3379

Kansas Pre-K Pilot (KPP)

- Deposit to: Gifts and Grants (Code 35) Line 3231
- Contact: [Nicole Norwood](#) (785) 296-2020

Local School District Contribution Program checkoff per K.S.A. [79-3221n](#)

A list of USDs receiving this payment is posted on the [School Finance - Payment Information homepage](#). A payment will generate if taxpayers selected to donate to your district by checking the donation box and entering in your district number on their Kansas State individual income tax return in 2020 for 2019 taxes.

- Deposit to: Gifts and Grants (Code 35)
- Contact: [Christie Wyckoff](#) (785) 296-6321

Payment amounts for each LEA will be posted near the date of deposit on the **Payment Information** screen on the [School Finance homepage](#).

Meeting Reminders and Report Due Dates

- Feb 9-10Kansas State Board of Education Meeting - [Agenda](#)
- Feb 10.....Council of Superintendents Meeting – [Agenda](#) register for Zoom link
- Feb 1-19Request March federal funds (Form 240) if funds available (open Feb 1-19)
Contact: [Nicole Norwood](#)
- Feb 12.....Unencumbered Cash Balances report (open Jan 31-Feb 12)
Contact: [Rose Ireland](#)
- Feb 15.....Presidents’ Day holiday - Banks are closed – KSDE offices are open
- Feb 22.....KIDS Collection MILT (2nd Military Student Count) (open Feb 22-Mar15)
Contact KSDE Helpdesk (785) 296-7935
- Feb 26.....LCP Consortium Assignments (closes Feb 26)
Contact: [Nicole Clark](#) (785) 296-4925
- Feb 28..... December 1 MIS Child Count – MIS Collection data is finalized
Contact [Mason Vosburgh](#) (785) 296-4945

USD Survey: Jan. 18-22 School District Learning Environment

REMINDER: On Friday afternoon, superintendents and board clerks received an email about a survey request from the legislature. This short survey is a look at which learning environment your district was in during the week of January 18-22, as well as when your district plans to return to onsite if you are not there now.

Please coordinate one response per district, and **submit no later than Friday, Feb. 12.**
Your timely response is appreciated.

Questions? Contact: [Craig Neuenswander](#) or [Laurel Murdie](#)

Reminder – Needs Assessment

REMINDER: Based on the statute shown below, all school districts must complete a needs assessment of each building annually. A building needs assessment (Academic) can be found on the School Finance website under Guidelines and Manuals. The information on the form is a guide to help districts develop the needs assessments for each building. It is for the benefit of the district and does not need to be returned to KSDE. You may locate the form on the [School Finance homepage](#).

72-1163. Budget and summary of proposed budget; notice of availability; needs assessment of attendance centers. (a) Each year the board of education of a school district shall conduct an assessment of the educational needs of each attendance center in the district. Information obtained from such needs-assessment shall be used by the board when preparing the budget of the school district.

History: L. 2003, ch. 116, § 21; L. 2006, ch. 197, § 26; July 1

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Attn: Special Ed Directors – Submit Medicaid Claims by April 15

The following message was sent to the **Special Educ Directors** Listserv on 2/3/2021:

The State Department of Education is required to distribute to school districts special education state aid as Medicaid replacement state aid in the amount of \$9,000,000. Allocations are determined based upon **the number of special education children that have been approved for Medicaid reimbursement on Monday, March 1, 2021**. **Note:** *You are allowed to include Medicaid services for special education students one week prior and one week after March 1st (February 22 through March 8).*

Districts should submit their Medicaid claims before April 15. If your district belongs to a coop, you may want to visit with them because they may be submitting on your behalf. Claims are submitted to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), Division of Health Care Finance (HFC), through the **MMIS** billing portal for Medicaid eligible students. **Medicaid related questions should be directed to KDHE:** Hallie Doud – email: Hallie.Doud@ks.gov

Sometime after May 1, KSDE will request from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment a list of the number of special education children that have been approved for Medicaid reimbursement in order to calculate the final June special education state aid payments.

BASE (Base Aid for Student Excellence) K.S.A. 72-5132

In 2019, the legislature passed the school finance bill (House Sub for Senate Bill 16) that included amending the “base aid for student excellence” per pupil. A history of the BASE per pupil is on page 8 of the **2020 Education Summaries** booklet on the School Finance homepage under the **Legislation** link: <https://www.ksde.org/Agency/Fiscal-and-Administrative-Services/School-Finance/Legislation>.

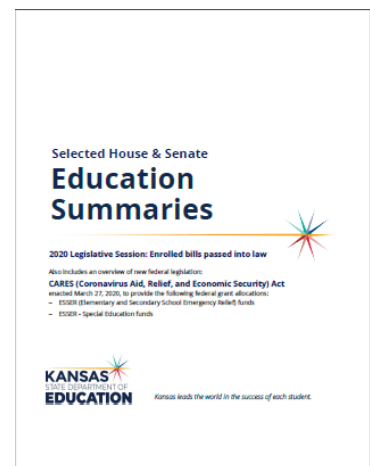
To help with school district budget planning, the **BASE** for the current and future years is:

2020-21	\$4,569
2021-22	\$4,706
2022-23	\$4,846
2023-24	Consumer Price Index

If you have questions on the budget or state statutes, we are happy to assist.

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