



KESA Factoid #8

STATE BOARD ACTION ITEM 6-14-2016

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Next Tuesday (6-14-2016), at its regular **June 2016** meeting, the Kansas State Board of Education (KSBE) will officially act on the proposed new K-12 accreditation model, Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (KESA).

A summary of the concepts included in the **official action item** can be viewed here:

<http://www.ksde.org/Portals/0/TLA/Accreditation/Accreditation%20Model/JUNE%20ACTION%20ITEM.pdf>

KSBE approval of the model's concepts would set into motion the regulations adoption process; the continuation of the KSDE Accreditation Advisory Council's work on specific details of the model, and the beginning of "Zero Year" (July 1, 2016) for Kansas education systems.

Leading up to this vote, the KSBE has been updated regularly and has provided input in the development of the model. On the second day of its regular **April 2016** meeting, the KSBE participated in a workshop about the proposed new K-12 accreditation model. During this workshop, several unified school districts presented their approaches to system-level leadership for school improvement, and KSBE members engaged with the presenters in discussions about how these districts' processes "mesh" with the proposed model. The districts were Buhler (313), Derby (260), Humboldt (258), Kansas City (500), Olathe (233), and Wichita (259).

Following this workshop, during its regular **May** meeting, the KSBE *received* the proposed KESA model for official consideration. Unable to present in April, staff from West Elk (282) presented their approach to system-level leadership for school improvement. Following this presentation, KSDE staff presented a review of the major elements of the proposed model, listed here:

- Systems approach – accrediting USDs, private systems, and independent schools
- Outside validation
- Stakeholder participation
<http://www.ksde.org/Portals/0/TLA/Accreditation/KESA%20Resources/stakeholder%20representation.pdf>
- Familiar growth process
<http://www.ksde.org/Portals/0/TLA/Accreditation/Accreditation%20Model/GROWTH%20PROCESS%20GRAPHIC.pdf>
- Five-year cycle with staggered implementation (accreditation every five years vs. every year)
<http://www.ksde.org/Portals/0/TLA/Accreditation/Accreditation%20Model/IMPLEMENTATION%20TIMELINE%2005-24-2016.pdf>
- Educational framework – The Five Rs
<http://www.ksde.org/Portals/0/TLA/Accreditation/Accreditation%20Model/FIVE%20Rs%2005-24-2016.pdf>
- Results
 - KSBE definition of a successful Kansas high school graduate
<http://www.ksde.org/Portals/0/TLA/Accreditation/Accreditation%20Model/STATE%20BOARD%20DEFINITION.pdf>
 - KSBE Outcomes
<http://www.ksde.org/Portals/0/TLA/Accreditation/Accreditation%20Model/MEASURES%20OF%20SUCCESS.pdf>

NEXT Factoid: - Monday, June 13

KESA information on KSDE website: <http://www.ksde.org/Agency/Division-of-Learning-Services/Teacher-Licensure-and-Accreditation/K-12-Accreditation-Home/Proposed-New-K-12-Accreditation-Model>