

Kansans Can- Accreditation & Design



KESA Update

December 2023

Our Mission:

“To provide support and accountability to all education systems in order for each system to elevate opportunities and reduce limitations for students.”

KESA 2.0 proposal to State Board of Education

On Tuesday, December 12th, KSDE’s School Improvement Workgroup proposed to the State Board of Education a new model of accreditation, KESA 2.0. Here are the slides presented. Below is a summary of what was proposed and the State Board of Education’s action:

- KSDE asked the State Board to approve the following for KESA 2.0
 - the Four Fundamentals as a basis for being accredited as a K-12 system.
 - the Annual Accreditation System.
- KSDE also provided context to the KESA 2.0 model, including:
 - the tools/resources KSDE would develop to support systems in the Four Fundamentals this spring.
 - a list of projects that would be part of the “build” of KESA 2.0.
 - a hypothetical example of when a system would be in need of an ARC review or not.
- The State Board of Education voted unanimously to approve the parts of the KESA model established to date but also included in the motion that a second approval would be required in late spring/early summer once the model is more fully developed.

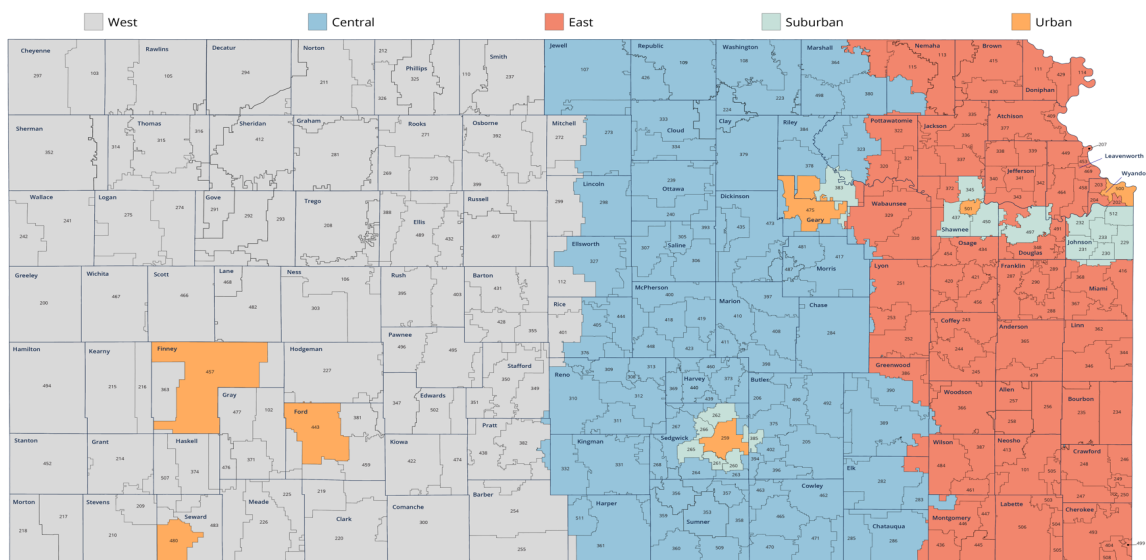
KESA Check-ins (beginning mid-January 2024)

As part of our new regional/cohort model of support for KESA, we are adding a KESA Check-in that begins this January and will remain in place for KESA 2.0. The KESA Check-in is:

- an annual engagement where a member of the Accreditation & Design team meets with a system's KESA team in-person at the system's location.
- an opportunity to develop a stronger relationship between KSDE and the system focused on continuous improvement.
- intended to support the system in staying on track with their action plan for KESA, as well as a time to review the system's student outcomes.

The Accreditation & Design team is excited to begin these Check-ins in January! We have sent out meeting invitations to every system that had responded to [the KESA Check-in/Peer Review survey](#). If your system has not responded, please do so ASAP. If your system has responded but you have not received a meeting invitation, please email accreditation@ksde.org.

KESA Region/Cohort Model of Support



Recently, the Accreditation & Design team at KSDE decided to reconfigure our model of support, moving from four regions down to three regions (87-88 systems in each) and developing two new cohorts of “like” systems. This model is in effect immediately and it represents how our team will provide

support and accountability to each system seeking state accreditation.

- 3 KESA Regions
 - West - Dr. Amber Miller
 - Central - TBD, anticipate this position filled by January 2024
 - East - Myron Melton & Dr. Jay Scott for spring 2024 only
 - This position is open until filled with a start date of July 1, 2024

- KESA Cohorts (Like systems regardless of location in state)
 - Urban - Dr. Jay Scott & Myron Melton
 - Suburban - Myron Melton & Dr. Jay Scott
 - Private systems (NEW) - Myron Melton & Dr. Jay Scott
 - Special Purpose systems (NEW) - Dr. Amber Miller

- Here is our [KESA Region/Cohort Model of Support](#)

As we wrap up an eventful 2023, the Accreditation & Design team sends our warmest wishes for a joyous holiday season to you. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve and support our hard-working, dedicated, and caring Kansas educator community. Happy Holidays!

ACCREDITATION & DESIGN TEAM | 2023-2024 CALENDAR

AUGUST '23

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10 Virtual KESA Kick Off
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11 ESC Collab (8-9)

DECEMBER '23

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12 KESA Monthly Update
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15 ESC Collab (8-9)

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25 ARC (9-12)

29-31 ADAP SCH [\(LINK\)](#)

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13 ESC Collab (8-9)

25-27 KSDE Great Ideas in
Education Conference
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FEBRUARY '24

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16 ESC Collab (8-9)

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17 ESC Collab (8-9)

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9 Virtual KESA Wrap Up ([LINK](#))

17 ESC Collab (8-9)

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Updated 7/20/2023.

Meeting Details for Groups & Dates on the Calendar

AAC – Accreditation Advisory Council – 1st Monday/Quarterly – 9:00-12:00 Virtual or 9:00-3:00 In-Person (No Virtual Option for In-Person Meetings)

- September 18 (In-Person), November 6 (Virtual), March 4 (Virtual), and June 3 (In Person)

ADAP SCH – Adaptive Schools Training – 4 Meetings – 9:00-3:00 – Regionally Hosted ([LINK](#)) • SW Plains – October 9, October 10, January 29, January 30

- Smoky Hill – October 11, October 12, February 2, February 5
- Orion – October 13, October 16, January 31, February 1
- ESSDACK – October 17, October 18, February 6, February 7
- Greenbush – October 19, October 20, February 8, February 9

ARC – Accreditation Review Council – Meeting Details Below

- November 7 (Orientation – In Person - 9-3), January 25 and February 22 (Redeterminations – Zoom – 9-12), June 6 (Orientation & Criteria Setting – In Person - 9- 3)

CAB – Cabinet – 1st Friday/Quarterly – 9:00-10:00 – Virtual

- September 8, November 3, February 9, April 5

ESC Collab – ESC Collaborative Partnership – 2nd/3rd Friday/Monthly – 8:00-9:00 – Virtual •

ESCs Include – Southwest Plains, Orion, ESSDACK, Smoky Hill, Greenbush • August 11, September 15, October 13, November 17, December 15, January 12, February 16, March 8, April 12, May 17, June 14, July 12

KESA [Monthly] Update – 2nd Tuesday/Monthly – 9:00-9:45 – Virtual ([LINK](#)) • October 10, November 14, December 12, January 9, February 13, March 12, April 9 • Virtual Beginning of the Year Kick Off – August 10 (8-9 or 3-4)
• Virtual End of the Year Wrap Up – May 9 (8-9 or 3-4)

LDRSHP Collab – Leadership Collaborative Partnership – 1st Wednesday/Quarterly – 2:00-3:00 (Virtual)
• Leadership Partners Include – USA, KASB, KELI
• September 6, November 8, February 7, April 3

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