



**Dodge City
Public Schools**
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 443

Welcomes the
Kansas State Board of Education
and the
Kansas State Department of Education

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Our Vision:

“World Class Education”

- The USD 443 Mission is...

**“To prepare our students
to be capable,
contributing participants
in a changing world.”**

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Board of Education Goals July 2008

Academic Excellence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increased Student Achievement• Comprehensive Educational Program• Supplemental Programs & Services
Learning Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safe and Orderly School Climate• Alternative Education Programs & Services• Facilities Planning & Development
Professional Growth & Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff Recruitment & Retention• Professional Growth Opportunities• Compensation & Benefits
Community Involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent Involvement• Effective Communication• Business & Community Partnerships
Accountability	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fiscal Responsibility & Accountability• Resource Allocation & Management• Advocacy for Public Education

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Overview of Dodge City USD 443

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USD 443 is Students

Grade Level Organization

- **Early Childhood Education –**
 - ✓ Bright Beginnings Early Childhood Center
- **Kindergarten through Fourth Grade**
 - ✓ Beeson Elementary School
 - ✓ Central Elementary School
 - ✓ Linn Elementary School
 - ✓ Miller Elementary School
 - ✓ Northwest Elementary School
 - ✓ Ross Elementary School
 - ✓ Sunnyside Elementary School
 - ✓ Wilroads Gardens Elementary
- **Fifth and Sixth Grades**
 - ✓ Comanche Intermediate Center
 - ✓ Soule Intermediate Center
- **Dodge City Middle School – Grades 7 and 8**
- **Dodge City High School – Grades 9 through 12**

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Other Programs and Services

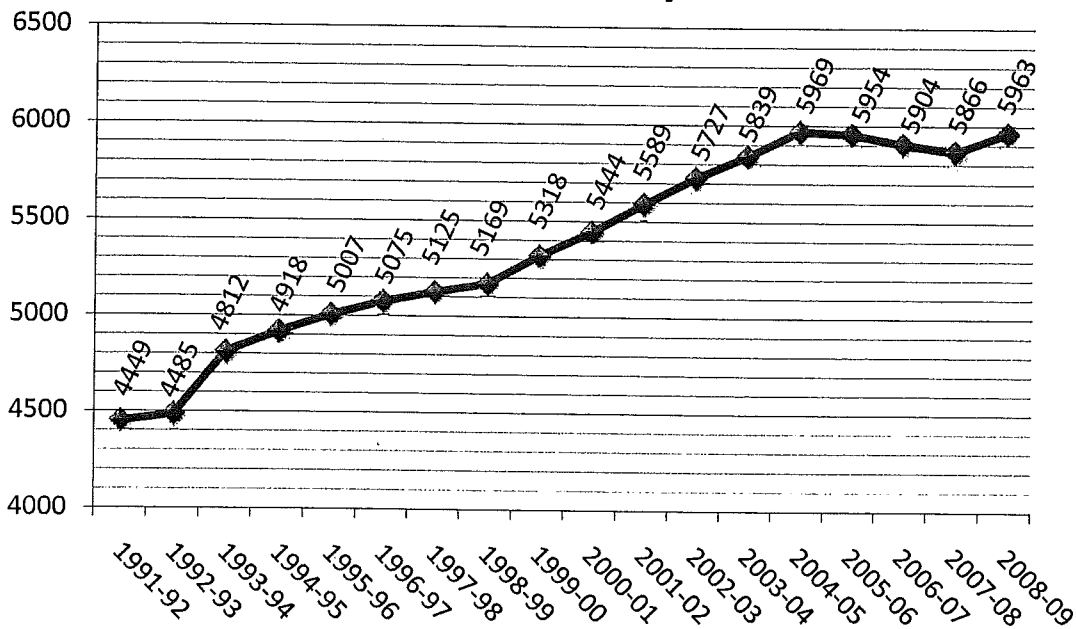
- **Advanced and Enrichment Learning Opportunities**
 - *Advanced Placement and Honors Programs*
 - *Concurrent Enrollment Programs with DCCC*
 - *Gifted and Talented Program Education*
- **Career and Technical Education**
- **Alternative Programs and Services**

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Enrollment History: Grades K-12

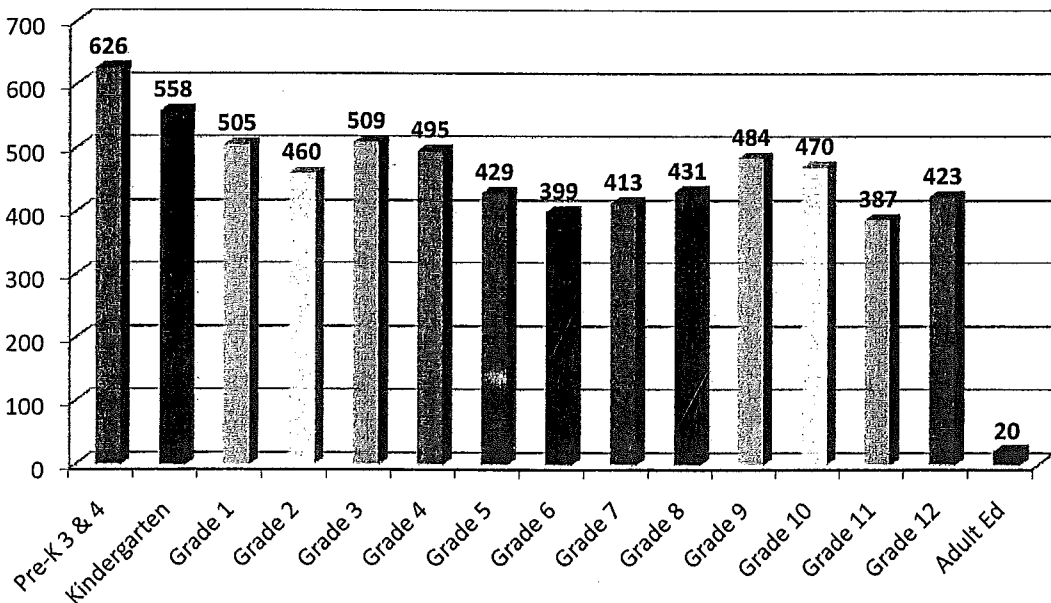


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Pre-K through Adult Enrollment: 6,660

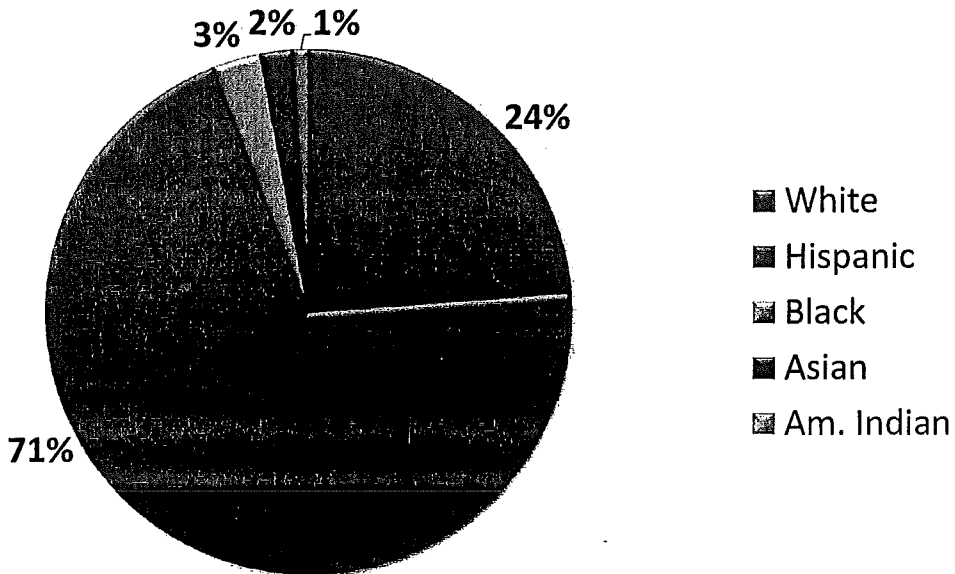


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Ethnic Diversity

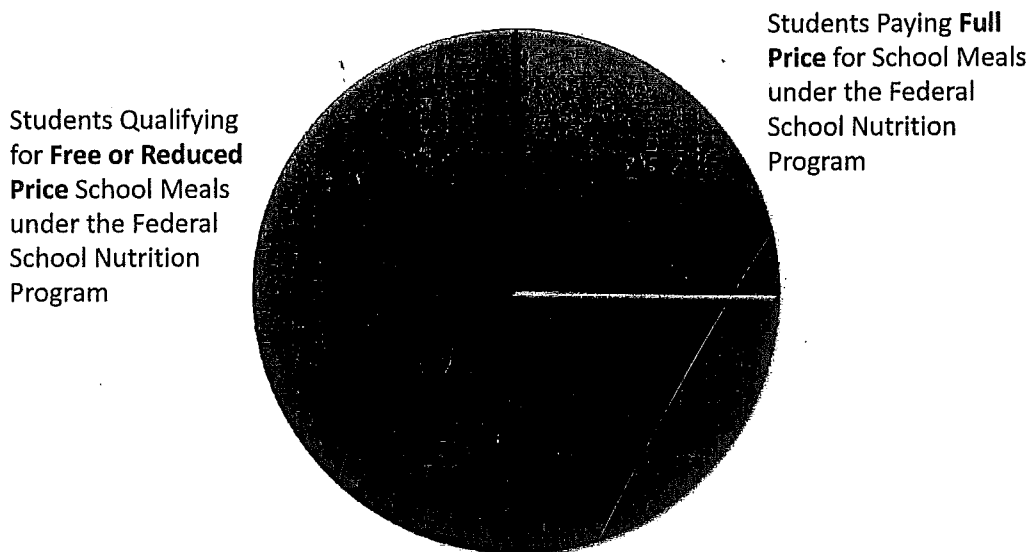


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Socio-Economic Status

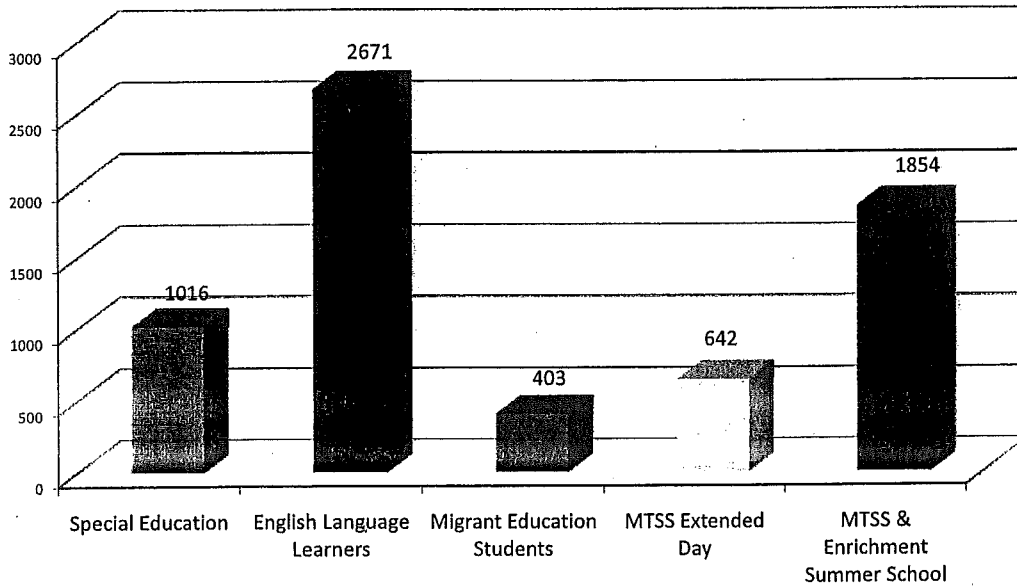


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Supplemental Programs and Services



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Challenges

1. Addressing the educational needs of a **diverse and growing** student population.
2. School **funding** for additional facilities and time for learning, as well as timely interventions and enrichment.
3. Overcoming the effects of **geographic isolation** in SW Kansas.
4. Implementing **21st Century Learning**, including Career Pathways.

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Responses

Kansas State Board of Education Goal –

“Redesign the delivery system to meet our students’ changing needs.”

- Early Childhood Education
- English Language Learners
- Alternative Education

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Kansas State Board of Education Goal – *“Redesign the delivery system to meet our students’ changing needs.”*

Bright Beginnings

Early Childhood Center

PROGRAMS –

- At-Risk 4 year old
- Head Start - 3 years old to Kindergarten
- Early Head Start – home based
- Migrant/Migrant Even Start – 0 to 4 yrs.
- Parents as Teachers
- Kansas Pre-K pilot
- Developmental Kindergarten



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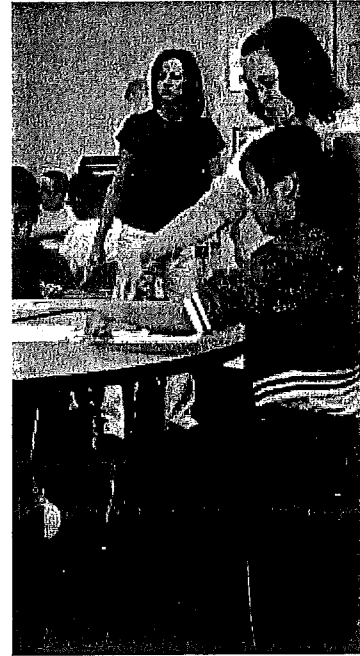
English Language Learners (ELL)

Newcomers Classrooms

- Characteristics: limited or no English, recent arrival
- Length of Student Participation – 1-3 semesters
- Language Goal – English proficiency
- Cultural Goal – Understand/integration into mainstream of American culture

Transition Classrooms

- Characteristics: limited English
- Length of Student Participation – 1-2 years
- Language Goal – Academic English proficiency
- Academic Goal – AYP



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Alternative Programs and Services

- **Project SOS (Second Opportunity School)** – Alternative education program.
- **Dane Hansen School at Youthville** – On-campus school for resident students.
- **Therapeutic Education Center (TEC)** – Day treatment school through a collaborative arrangement among USD 443, SKACD 613 (Spec. Ed. Cooperative), and the Area Mental Health Center.
- **Dodge City Education Center** – Adult diploma program, in collaboration with SW Plains Regional Service Center.
- **CHOICE Program** – Provides education serves to students who are long-term suspended from school.
- **Judicial Services Day Reporting Center** – Provides educational and counseling services for students who are expelled from the public schools, through a partnership among USD 443, 16th Judicial District, Area mental health, DCPD and Ford County Sheriff’s Office.

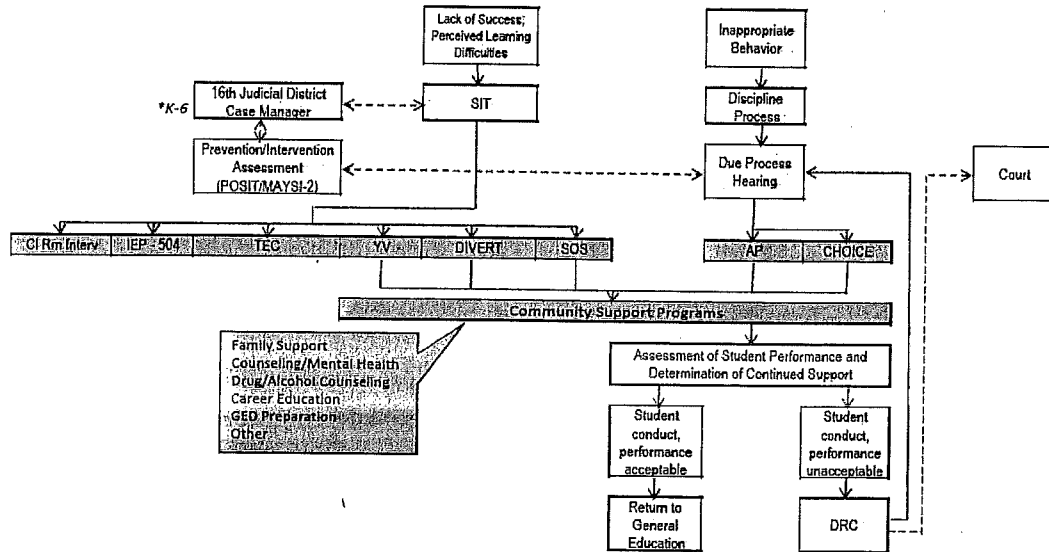
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Alternative Education

USD 443/Community Intervention



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Kansas State Board of Education Goal – “Provide an effective educator in every classroom.”

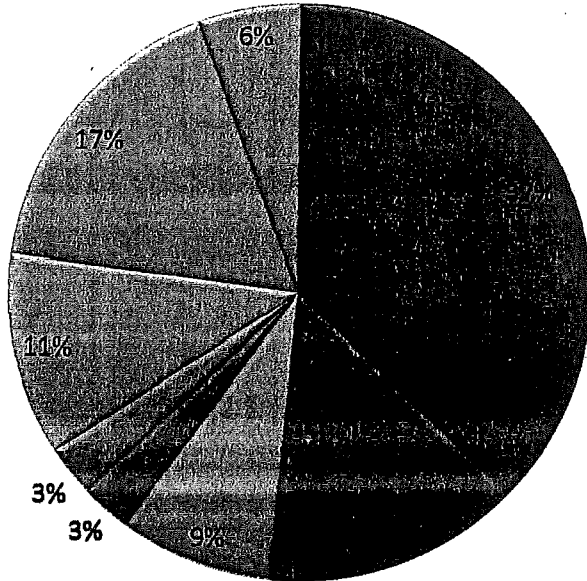


Dodge City Public Schools Human Resources Department

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Kansas State Board of Education Goal – “Provide an effective educator in every classroom.”



Recruitment

- In-State
- Grow Our Own
- Out of state
- Business & Industry
- Website
- Word of Mouth
- Student teachers
- Internet

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Reading Classes

- Reading classes through Emporia State University
- Sixteen hours (tuition/books provided)
- Staff signs contract with district

ESL Endorsement

- 15-18 college hours to receive ESL Endorsement
- 40% of staff have ESL Endorsement or on a plan
- ESL students generate bilingual minutes if taught by ESL Endorsed staff

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Kansas State Board of Education Goal – *“Ensure a visionary and effective leader in every school.”*

Dodge City Education Leadership Academy (DCELA)



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Reaching Higher
Excellence, Equity, Excitement
World Class Education

A partnership for developing leadership capacity



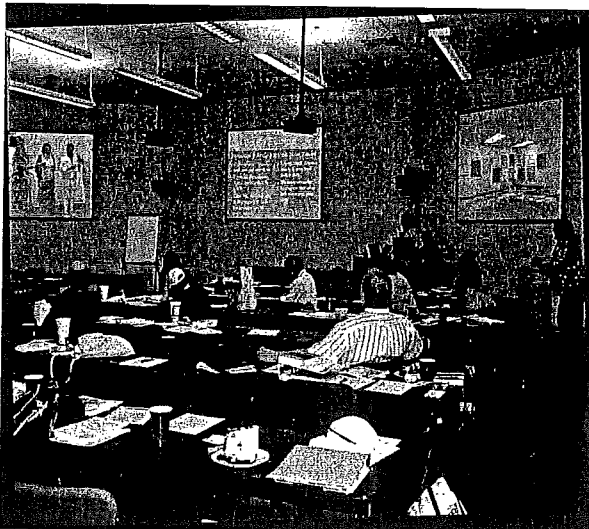
The Department of Educational Leadership
Kansas State University

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Kansas State Board of Education Goal – *“Improve communication with all constituent groups and policy partners.”*

The Learning Center



- First Stop Enrollment Center*
- Inservice/Meeting Rooms*
- Parent and Teacher Resource*
- Library*
- Make-It/Take-It Center*
- Computer and IDL Labs*

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Kansas State Board of Education Goal – *“Improve communication with all constituent groups and policy partners.”*

Family Liaisons (one per school – two at DCHS)

ELL Interventionist

(MS only, at this time)



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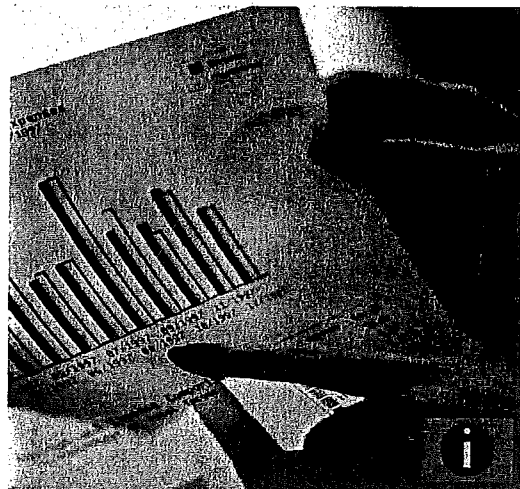


Results: USD 443 is Success

Student Achievement

PLC's and the USD 443 Data Management System

Making individual and group achievement information available in real time to our teachers' desktops.



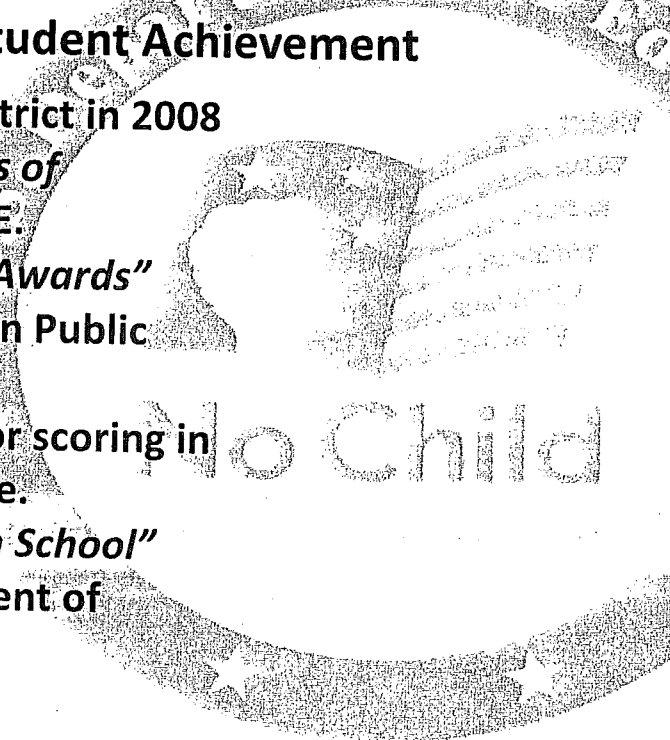
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Student Achievement

- Achieved AYP as a district in 2008
- Thirty (30) "Standards of Excellence" from KSDE.
- Three (3) "Challenge Awards" from the Confidence in Public Education Task Force.
- "Governors Award" for scoring in the top 5% of the state.
- National "Blue Ribbon School" from the US Department of Education.

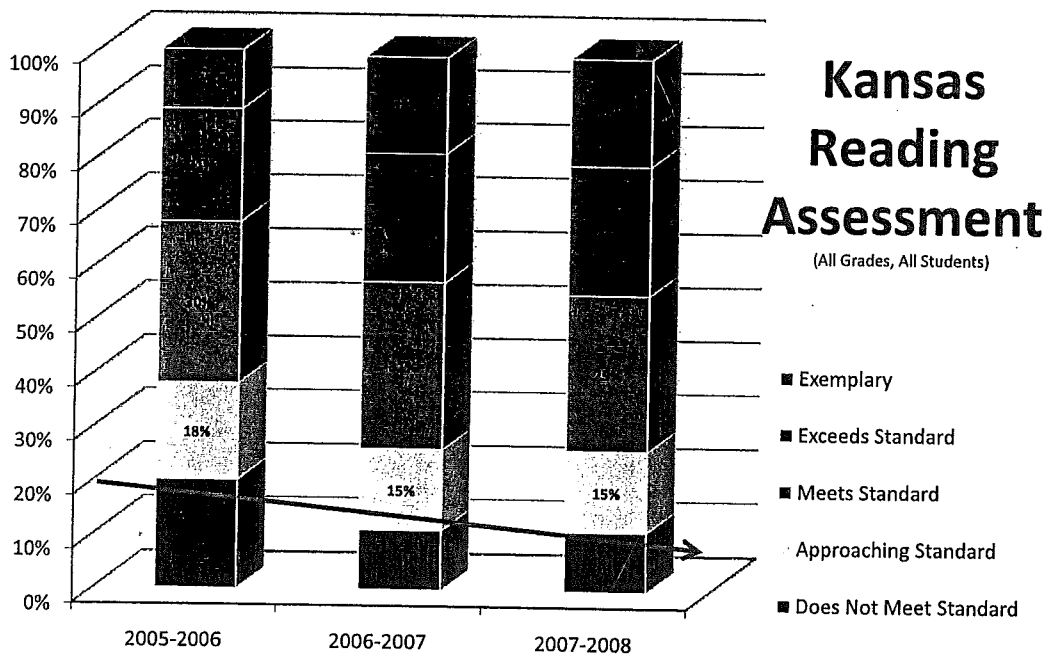


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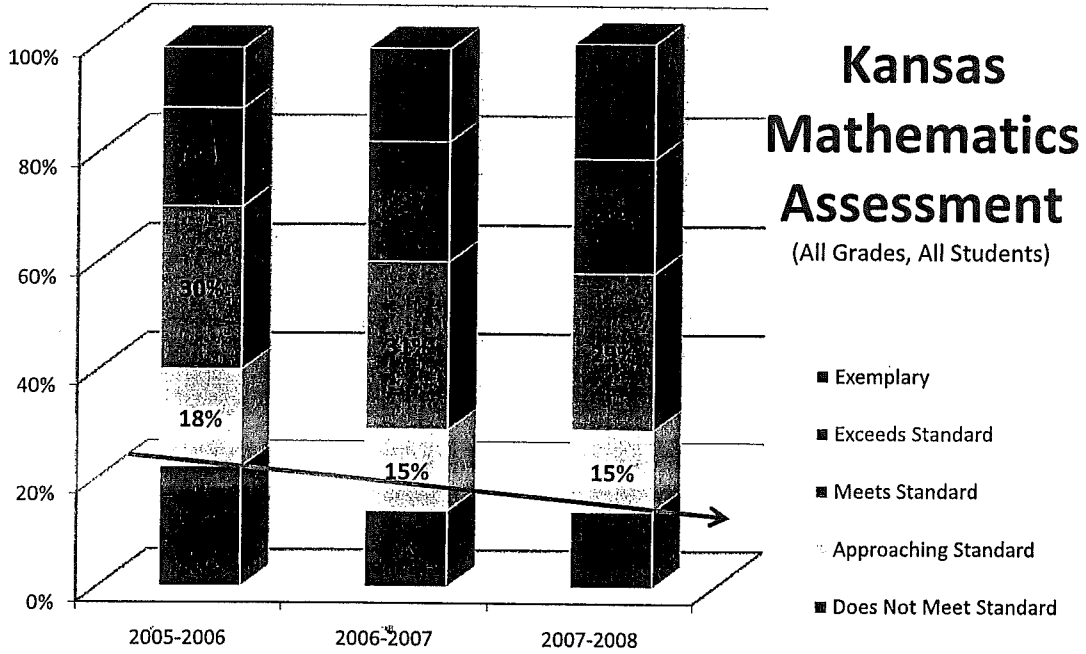


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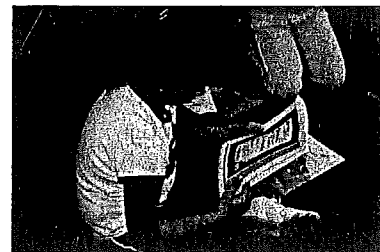
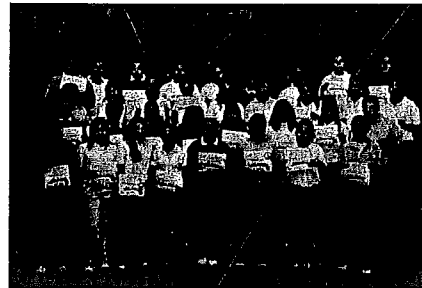
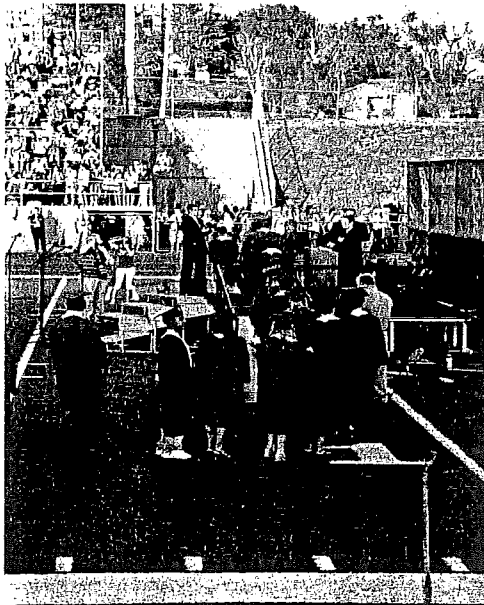
Student Achievement



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USD 443 is Helping Change Their Future



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Thank You
for all you do for
Kansas' students!



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