

# Kansas Board of Regents

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## Kansas State **Board** of Education

- General Supervision of Public K-12 Schools
  - Accrediting K-12 schools
  - Administering & distributing state & federal funds
  - Certifying teachers, administrators & school specialists
  - Developing, administering & monitoring state & federal plans
  - Developing curricular standards
  - Evaluating & approving teacher education programs
  - Public hearings: state plans, rules & regulations, transfers of territory, due process appeals
  - Supervising KSSB & KSSD



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## Kansas State **Department** of Education

Carries out policies of State Board

Assists schools in state & federal  
compliance

Assists in implementing best practices  
based on research



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## Local Boards of Education

- Curriculum
- Textbooks
- Schedule
- Personnel
- Hire, evaluate
  - Salaries



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## United States Department of Education



- Foster educational excellence and ensure equal access
- Roughly 10% of school funding nationwide
- Title I
- Vocational Education



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## Most Power?

US Department  
of Education

State Board of  
Education

Local Boards of  
Education



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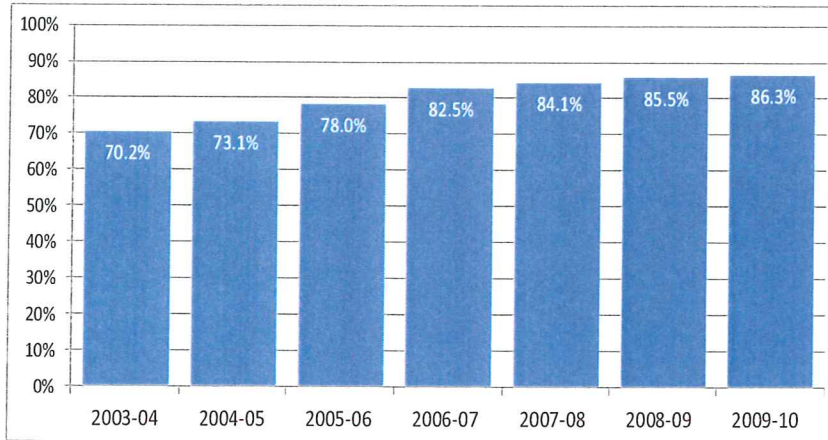
# Kansas Education

**“It was the best of  
times, it was the worst  
of times . . . ”**

*Opening line of A Tale of Two Cities (Dickens, 1859)*

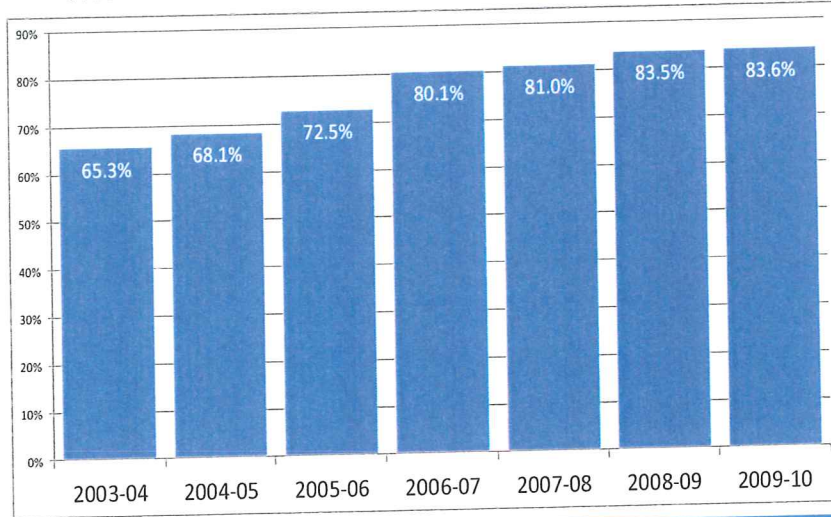


## Reading Trends – All Students 2003-2010





## Mathematics Trends – All Students 2003-2010

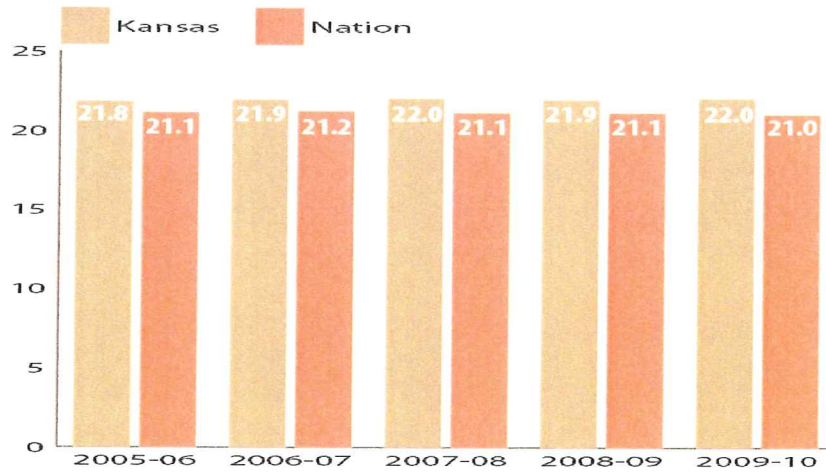


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# ACT Trends

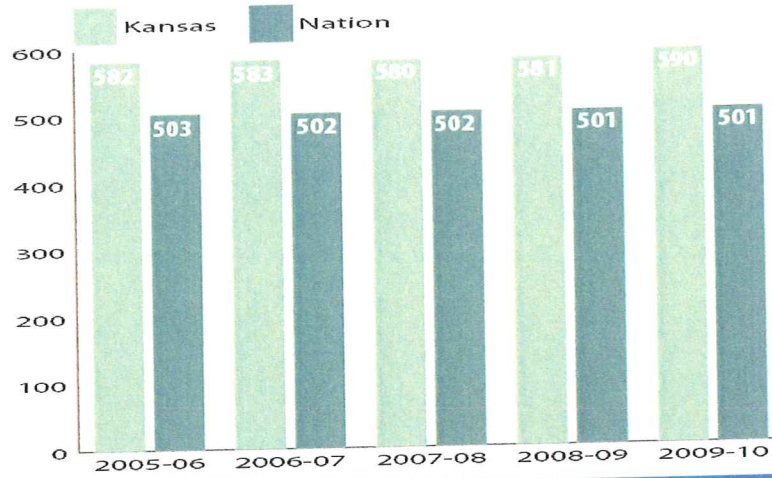


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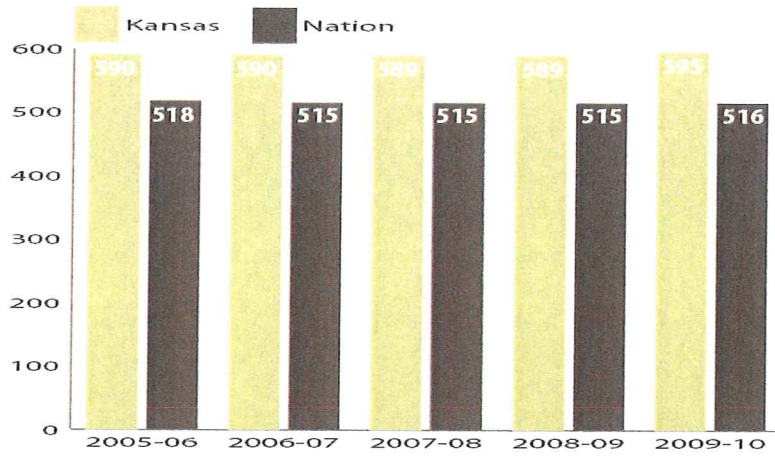
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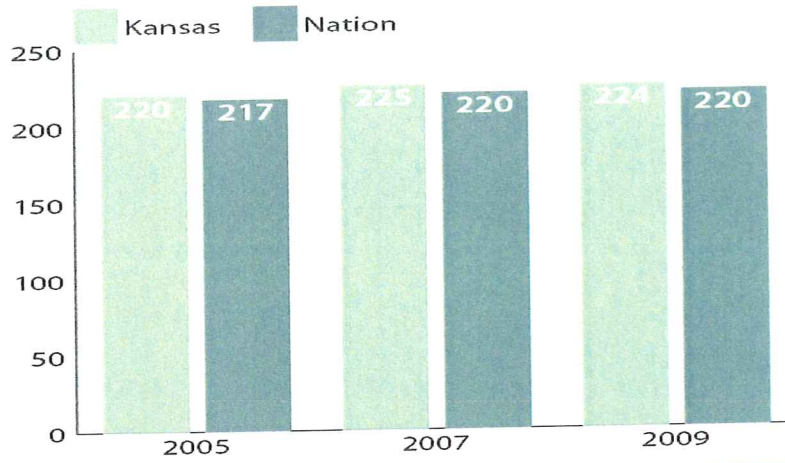
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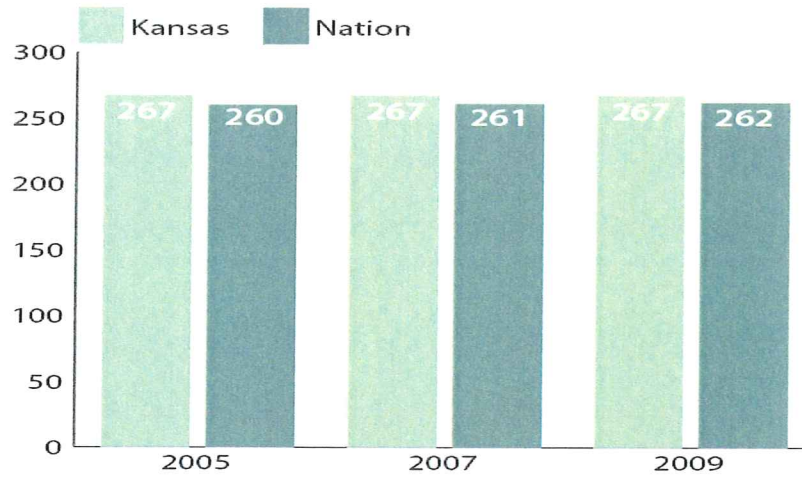
# SAT Math Trends



## NAEP 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading Trend



## NAEP 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading Trend



# Transportation



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210,000 transported each day

# Nutrition



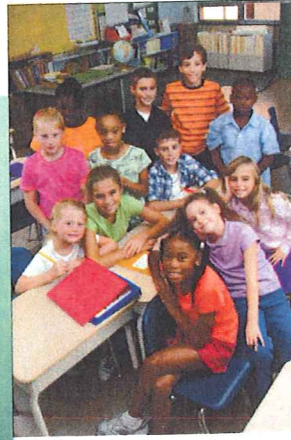
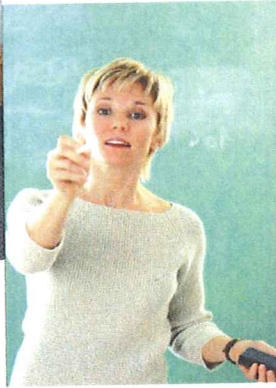
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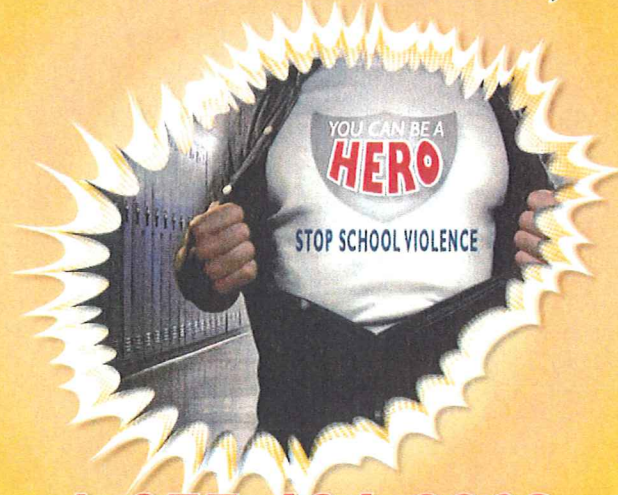
92,000 breakfast meals; 350,000 school lunches



# Learning



**IN THESE HALLS,**



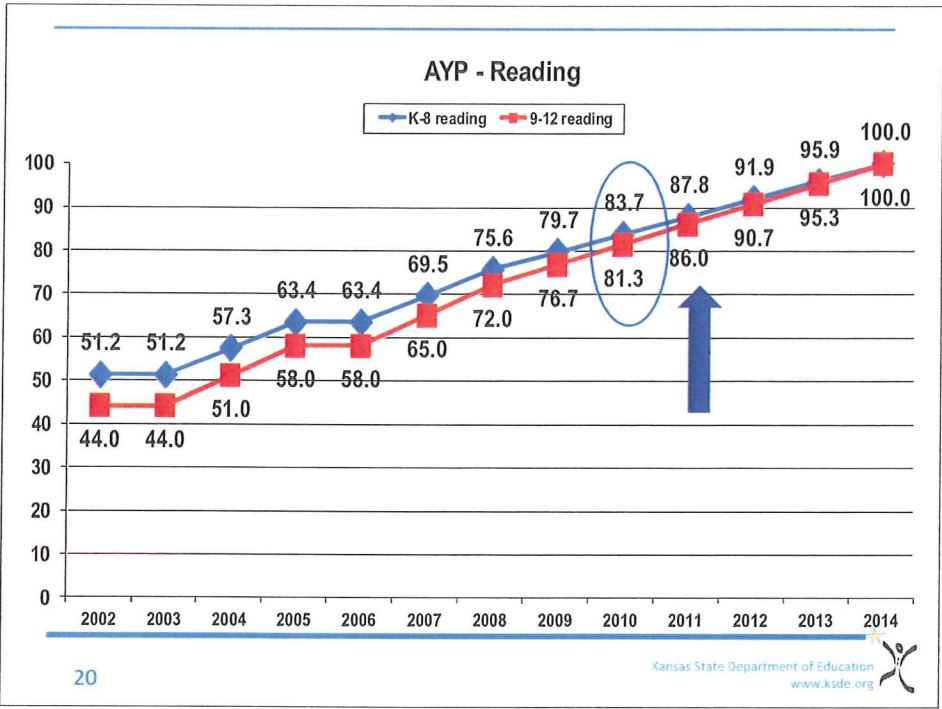
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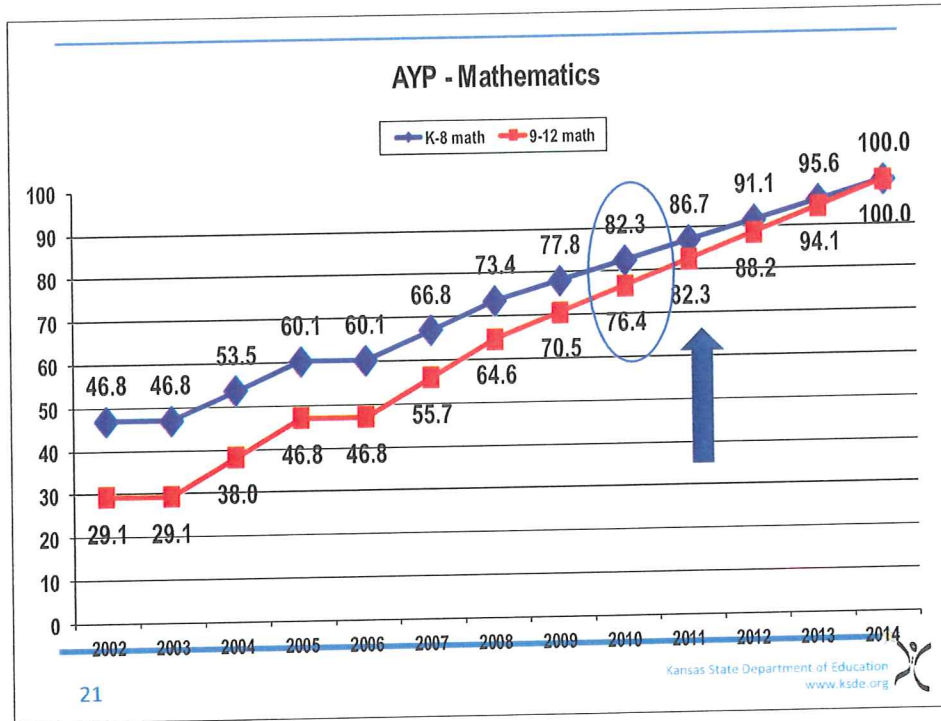
**KANSAS SCHOOL SAFETY HOTLINE**

*Anonymous ~ Toll Free*

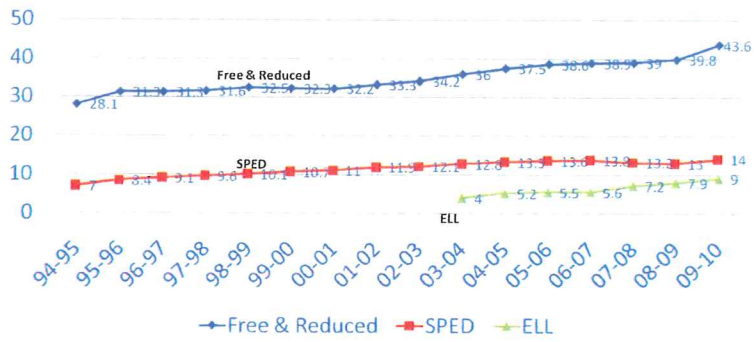
# Caring Communities





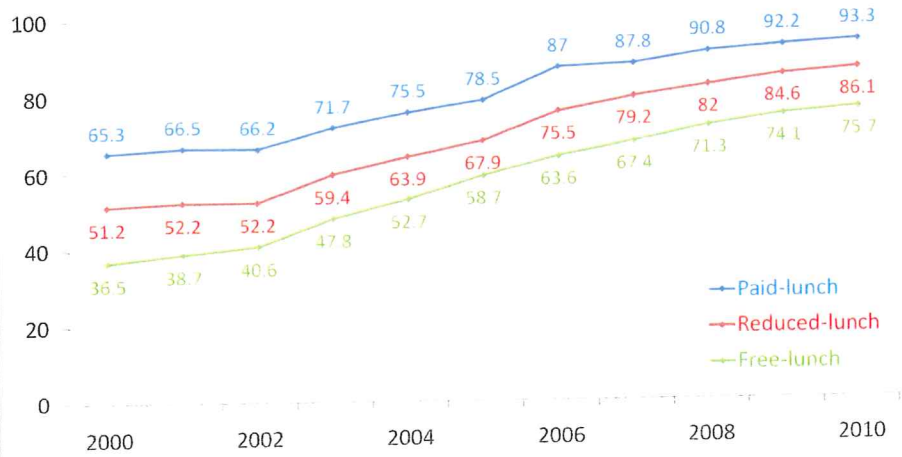


## Kansas Student Population Trends (Percent of K-12 Enrollment)



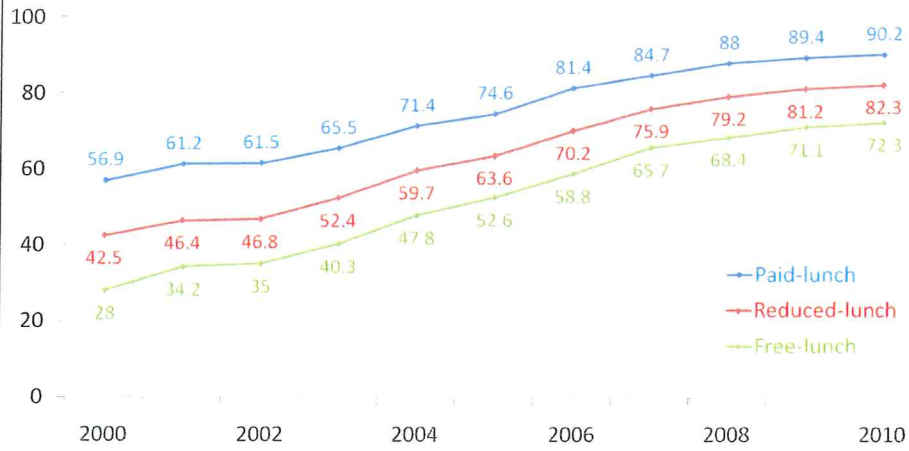
# Kansas Reading Gap: 2000 – 2010

(all grades, all valid test records)



# Kansas Math Gap: 2000 – 2010

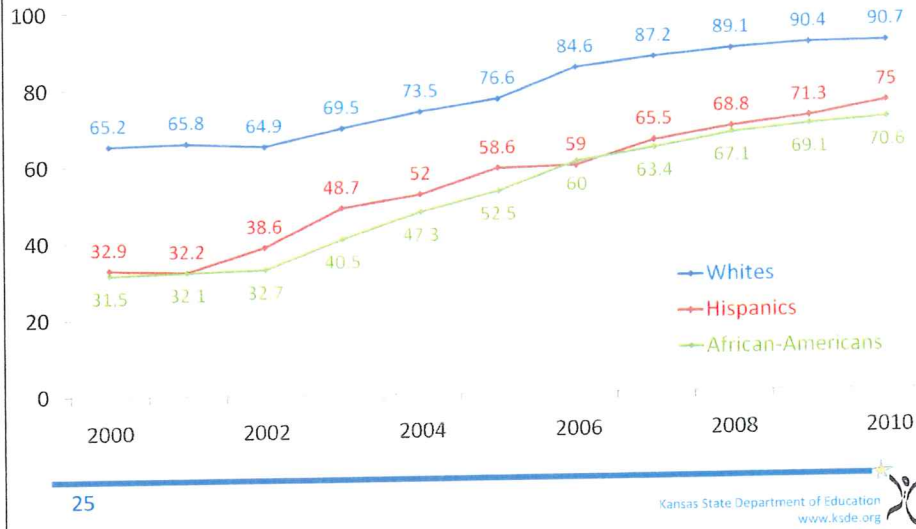
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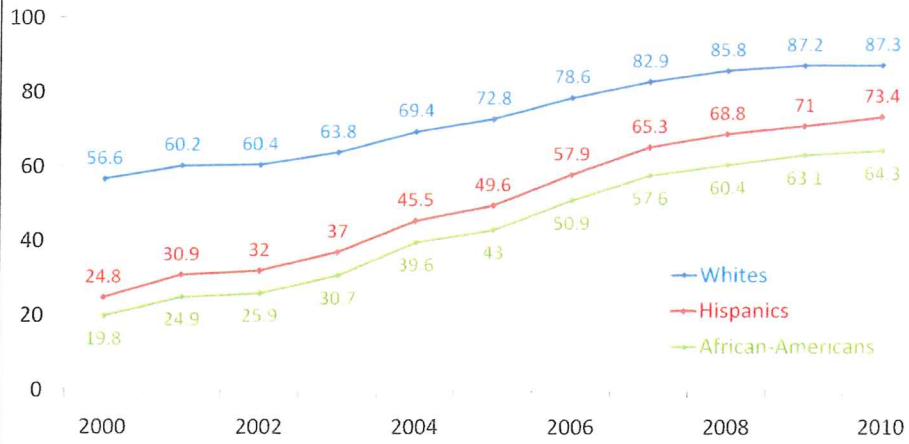
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# Math Gap by Ethnicity: 2000 – 2010

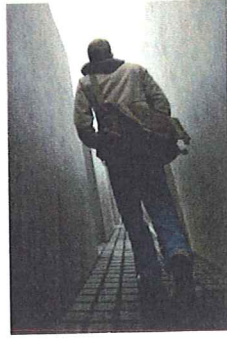
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# Dropouts

**3,000**  
**each year**



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## Elementary & Secondary Education Act



- ESEA, also known as No Child Left Behind
- Scheduled to be reauthorized
- Anticipated reauthorization – August 2011



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## *Blueprint for Reform*

1. College-and career-ready students
2. Great teachers & great leaders in every school
3. Equity & opportunity for all students
4. Raise the bar and reward excellence
5. Promote innovation & continuous improvement



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## Common Core Standards

- 41 states
- Coordinated by NGA and CCSSO
- Standards for English/language arts and mathematics
  - Developed in collaboration with teachers, administrators and experts
  - Evidence based and internationally benchmarked
  - Include content and application of knowledge
- Transition schedule at <http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=4605>



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## Smarter Balanced Assessment

- Consortium of 30 states
- Developing next generation of assessments
- Students meeting cut scores in math and English language arts allowed automatic entry to credit bearing postsecondary courses in these content areas



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## Smarter Balanced Assessment

- Differences from current assessment
  - Won't be all multiple choice
  - Performance based
  - Computer adaptive
- Advantages
  - Addition of performance piece
  - Won't have to do one-point-in-time assessment
  - Share costs to develop assessment





## Growth Model



- Accountability measured progress over time
- Applies to individual students, schools, districts and the state



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## P-20 Council

Established by Governor Sebelius in 2008 by Executive Order



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## P-20 Accomplishments

- Convened the Council 16 times (July 2008-December 2010)
- Formed and convened the state leadership team to conduct a gap analysis of K-12 and postsecondary education
- Contracted with Achieve, Inc. to assist in the gap analysis
- Surveyed higher education institutions regarding entry level math and language arts readiness standards



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## P-20 Accomplishments

- Proposed three recommendations to strengthen early childhood education in Kansas
  - Improve teacher and provider quality through coordination and collaboration at the state and local level
  - Promote coordination at the state and local levels to build a continuum of services and education from birth to grade three
  - Coordinate data collection and analysis and use results to change practices by promoting evidence-based practices
- Strengthened relationship between KSDE and KBOR through coordination of efforts



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## Senate Bill 447

- Early Childhood Recommendations contributed to the passage of Senate bill 447 (Lexie's Law)

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## What We Learned

- A **high school diploma is not sufficient** to compete in the current or future workforce.
- **Consensus building** among the many groups involved in addressing the individual stages of the educational process is **vitaly important**.
- **Education is not linear** in what many would consider the traditional approach to education; i.e., K-12 to postsecondary to work.



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## Actions & Recommendations

- Continue the work of the P-20 Council through a formal process and dedicate appropriate state agency staff.
- Continue dialogue among the various state agencies, elected officials, business and industry leaders, education leaders and others.
- Support recommendations designed to strengthen early childhood education in Kansas.
- Continue to monitor alignment of the P-20 educational system and identify ways to measure the system's progress.
- Include civic engagement in future work of the P-20 Council.



## State Board Strategic Agenda

Delivery system	Effective educators	Effective, visionary leaders	Collaboration
Multi-tier system of support	Barriers to teacher licensure & renewal	Review/revise leader preparation programs	Align PreK-20 systems of support
Accreditation of schools	Teacher recruitment, support & retention	Leader recruitment, support & retention	Communication
Graduation requirements, graduation rates, dropout rates	Educator evaluation & compensation	Leader evaluation & compensation	Strategic partnerships
Career & technical education	Review/revise teacher preparation programs		