May 8th, 2026

KSDE SETS Special Education Administrators' Webinar

Agenda

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Welcome	TASN Coordination
Director Updates	Bert Moore
IDEA VI-B Part I Application	Dean Zajic
MIS Data Updates	Mason Vosburgh
Personnel Categorical Aid	Evelyn Alden
Indicator 8 Parent Involvement Reminders	Josie McClendon
Indicator 14 Reminders	Andy Ewing
Special Education Early Childhood Updates	Angel Spann
KASEA Updates	Angie Karraker

SETS STATE DIRECTOR REPORT

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Director Updates

- 100 Day Calendar – This calendar is located on the ksdetasn.org website. I will review the summary version of the April-June calendar.
- I announced my retirement on Monday, May 4. If any of you are interested in applying for the State Director of Special Education and Title Services, please look for the position announcement once it gets posted. You will have a stellar staff at KSDE to support the IDEA and ESEA work. After 52 years in public education, my body is telling me to slow down. Thank you for your support through my years of service to agencies, parents/families, district/school administrators/staff, and most importantly, students.

Director Updates (Con't)

- The Level of Determination data was sent out to each LEA. LEAs have been asked to determine its accuracy. KSDE has experienced problems with our listservs as directors have told us it is going to their spam or junk mail.
- Go to http://ks-apr.org/KansasAPR/login.aspx if you need to view your data. I will ask Brad to place this link in the chat. Contact Ryan Weir with APR questions rweir@keystonelearning.org .
- Melissa Valenza will provide a series of general supervision office hours. The next opportunity will be held on May 15, 2026 from 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m. It will be recorded, and there will be a Q&A. Here is the link to register for the entire series https://ksdetasn.org/event_groups/dv_P3w
- Meeting dates for the general supervision office hours: May 15, May 29, June 12, July 2, July 17, and July 31. Meetings will start at 9 and end by 10:30 a.m.

Director Update (Con't)

- The Deaf-Blind application opens on April 1 and closes July 31, 2026.
- The KSDE June SETS Leadership Conference will take place on June 24 and June 25 at the Hyatt Hotel in Wichita. Registration is open at this time.
- There will be a MIS training designed for MIS Administrators and MIS Clerks held from 1-4 p.m. on June 23. Attendance at this activity will meet the Administrator requirement for MIS training. An administrator from each special education agency is required to attend annual MIS training.

OSEP PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE FFY 2026-2031 SPP/APR

- OSEP has posted proposed changes to the FFY 2026-2031 SPP/APR Reporting Requirements.
- Public comments will be accepted through May 22, 2026, at 11:59 PM ET.
- Full notice and related documents available on Regulations.gov for Docket ED-2026-SCC-0661,
- Explanation and Rationale and Directed Questions documents: 1820-0624 Part B SPP/APR Explanation and Rationale

Director Updates- (Con't)

- Andy Ewing has worked hard to get agencies to "opt-in" to contacting your students for Indicator 14. Graduates are more likely to answer the phone from a local number than from a "1-800" number. My districts (3) all made the Indicator 14 contact as each wanted to know how graduates were doing.
- Cary Rogers would like to thank everyone for helping KSDE to stay under the 1% threshold for alternate assessments. There were only 40 students in the state with 2 or more red flags this year. Agencies will be contacted if a student had multiple red flags. Thank you for your work to ensure only the students eligible for an alternate assessment are taking it!



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2026-2027 IDEA VI-B Application

IDEA application for funds: Title VI-B Flow Through Part I

- Open May 1 to June 5 in Kansas Grants Management System
- Preliminary budgets will use current year (2025-2026) allocations
  - KSDE is awaiting preliminary allocation data from the U.S. Department of Education
- Submit preliminary budgets and assurances by June 5

Part II Application: Open July 1 to August 17

Questions? Contact Helen.Swanson@ksde.gov

Reimbursement Deadlines

- June 6th – Final day to submit comments on the proposed guide for next year.
  - Please submit comments as soon as possible. My goal is to get the Guide out ASAP after the deadline. We do read and discuss all comments.
- June 1st – Final day to update para inservice.

Payment will be submitted Monday

- When School Finance approves the payment data, I'll send an email and you will be able to run the **Archive** Payment Report for the 5th payment.
  (You can run the **current** payment report to see what will be submitted, let me know TODAY if you see something I said would be fixed/approved)
- Staff **who are in the process of renewing** will be approved. I will track the renewals and let the auditors know if they do not renew.
- After I send the email, you will be able to run the Timely Submission report in PCA, comparing total (ESY and Reg) claimed FTE between 4th and 5th payments

ESY Policy

The ESY policy has been extended through FY27 (ESY 2026).

Summary: ESY **teaching** staff (not admins or school psychs) who do not hold the appropriate endorsement may be approved for reimbursement if: they hold licensure from KSDE appropriate for substituting for the approved time **AND** they have special education licensure or a special education waiver during the current year, or the previous year.

Please read the policy for details.
The goal of created a policy was to make public and formalize who will be approved for reimbursement during this time of teacher shortages.

- A limited (LTAP, LAL) or restricted license CANNOT be used for substituting.
- Someone with an esub with no degree listed will not be approved.

Non-KSDE licenses

- Shortages exist in all areas, not just teachers.
- KSDE does not have the authority to qualify staff when the legislature has given that authority to another board.
- Most boards have individual liability for acting as a licensed person without a license
  - Acting as a social worker or an SLP without a license is a class C misdemeanor
  - Acting as a PT without a license is a class B nonperson misdemeanor
- Holders of temporary licenses may have restrictions on supervising staff or need to work with a full license holder
  - Please do everything possible to help (not hinder) your staff in getting fully licensed.
  - If a Kansas licensing board asks, KSDE will provide the information reported in PCA about that staff member.

Authenticated Applications

Problems logging in or creating/removing accounts:

helpdesk@ksde.gov
(785) 296-7935

PCA questions/issues:

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or

evelyn.alden@ksde.gov

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Categorical Aid page

https://www.ksde.gov/policy-and-funding/special-education/categorial-aid-reimbursement

Catastrophic/Non-Public Equivalency

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Transportation/Medicaid Replacement

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Special Teacher Reimbursement

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Indicator 8 Information

- The survey closes May 31st, 2026. Please send out ASAP if you haven't already!
- Once the surveys have been sent out, please fill out the survey regarding distribution information attached to the original Indicator 8 email.
- There will be changes coming to Indicator 8 for the 2026-2027 school year. Please be on the lookout for updates! The first will be coming at the summer leadership conference.

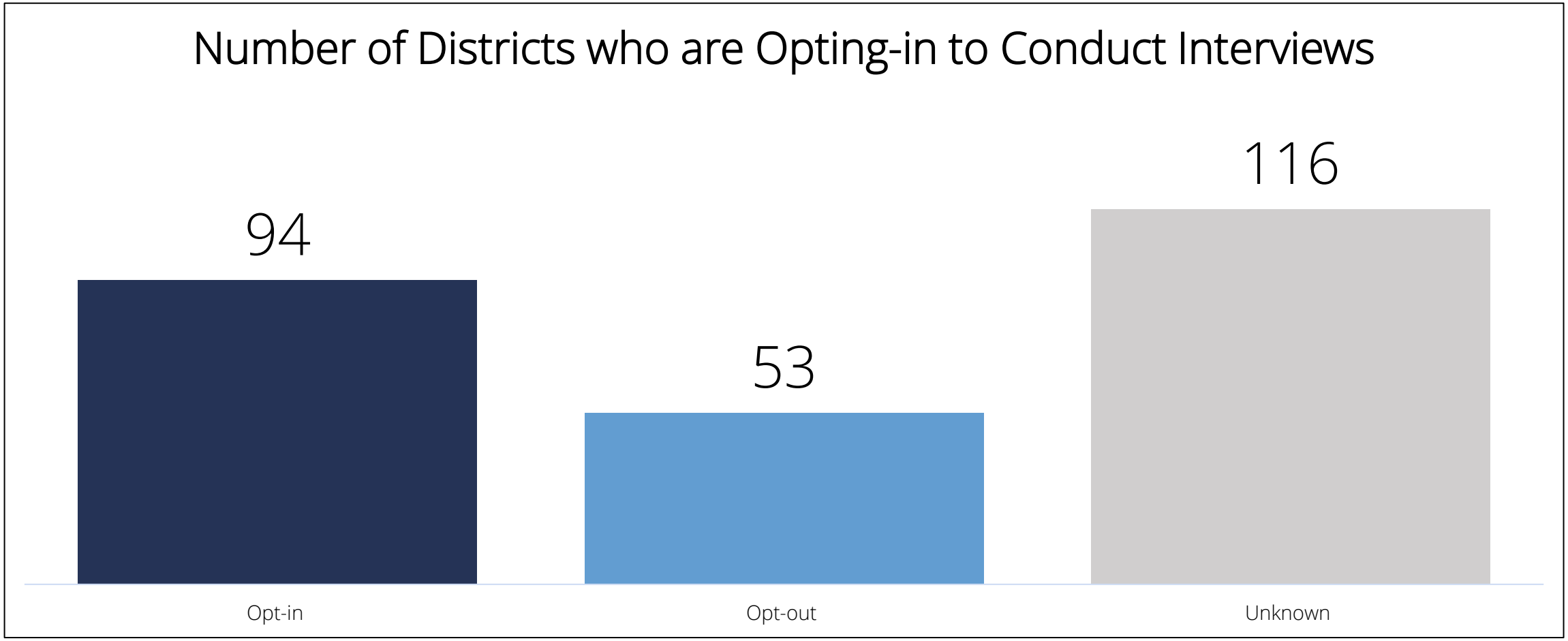
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Opt-in Status Update



Indicator 14 Opt-in Portal

Indicator 14: Post School Outcomes Opt-in Instructions
Districts can opt-in through any one of the following options:

Districts can opt-in using this QR code:

Districts can opt-in using this link:

https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7192460/KSI14-Opt-in

Districts can opt in when submitting verification data.

Summer Interview Schedule

May 29: Contact Info Uploaded to KS Indicator 14 Portal

June 9-13: Emails/Text Messages to all exiters

June 23-26: Contact lists sent to all Opt-in Districts

June 25-26: SETS Leadership Conference

July 1 – 31: Call window is open

Indicator 14 Contact

For any Indicator 14 questions

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KSDE Early Childhood Special Education Updates

Angel Spann, Early Childhood SPED Coordinator

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Indicator 6:
Preschool Environments

Updates/Reminders

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Indicator 6 Updates/Reminders

- The 2025-2026 Final Indicator 6 Report is now available in SPEDPro

- To request individual support for Indicator 6 as you plan for next school year, contact Angel Spann- angel.spann@ksde.gov

Indicator 7:
Preschool Outcomes

Updates/Reminders

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Indicator 7 Reminders:

- All children entering IDEA Part B services must have child outcome entry summary rating data entered in the OWS if they can be in the program for at least six months.
- All children exiting IDEA Part B services must have child outcome exit summary rating data entered in the OWS
- A ***permanent exit*** is considered when:
  - Transitioning from preschool services to kindergarten.
  - A child is in IDEA Part B preschool program and turns age 6.
  - Child has exited and no longer requires IDEA services.
  - Moved out of state.
  - Child is withdrawn by parent or guardian.
  - Child is deceased.

Timelines for Entering Child Outcome Data in OWS

- **<u>June 30</u>:**
  - Last date for submitting child outcome entry summary rating data to KSDE for all newly identified children entering IDEA Part B services.
  - Last date for submitting child outcome exit summary rating data for children permanently exiting IDEA Part B services between July 1 and June 30 of the current year.
- **<u>July 1 – Sept. 15</u>:**
  - Data verification occurs during this period.

Indicator 12:
Preschool Transition

Updates/Reminders

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Indicator 12 Reminders

- Review your local Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Part C and Part B
- Prepare for students turning three years old this summer
  - Make sure you have a system in place for:

    completing evaluations

    completing COS forms

Updates on Early Intervention Hub (EI Hub)

- The CBER site is back in use until the EI Hub is ready for use
- Please continue to use CBER to accept/reject Part C to B Referrals
- Continue to communicate with our Part C partners if you have questions about referrals
- As soon as information is made available, I will be sure to keep you informed as we navigate through the upcoming changes for our electronic referral sites
- Most importantly, **thank you for your patience and flexibility**.

Contact for Early Childhood Special Education



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KASEA Calendar:

- Exec Board Meeting-May 11 @ 3:30
- Membership Meeting-May 18 @ 3:30

KASEA Updates:

- Lobbyist Discussion
- CASE Focus on State Unit Advocacy and new Director of Government Relations
- SELS Conference July 19-22
- CASE SELI Application Open

Thank you for Joining us today!!!

Webinars for the next school year will occur.

Register for the entire Series at once

FY26-27 KSDE Special Education Administrators Webinar Schedule

- September 11, 2026
- October 9, 2026
- November 6, 2026
- December 11, 2026
- February 5, 2027
- March 5, 2027
- April 2, 2027
- May 7, 2027