September 11, 2026
KSDE Special Education Administrators' Webinar
Agenda

Agenda Item	Presenter
Welcome & Purpose	TASN Coordination
KSDE Special Education Director Updates	Lindsey Graf
Personnel Categorical Aid	Evelyn Alden
Indicator 8: Parent Involvement	Josie McClendon
Indicator 11: Child Find	Teresa Cotton
Early Childhood Special Education Updates: Indicators 6, 7, & 12	Angel Spann
Expiring IDEA Funds Reminders Federal Fiscal File Review	Helen Swanson
IDEA and Gifted File Review and Indicator 13 DLM Updates	Cary Rogers
KASEA Updates	Angie Karraker

Welcome & Items to note

- Purpose of the webinars
- How to access the recordings and materials.
  - KSDE Special Education Webpage
- Related Available Resources- To Consider
  - KIAS Calendar
  - KIAS Contacts
  - 100 Day Checklist
  - Special Education Administrators Guide
  - Access Resources and Request Assistance on TASN



Personnel Categorical Aid (KGRS)

- Access is to Kansas Grants Reporting System (KGRS), then a district administrator gives access to PCA within KGRS.
- I have instructions in an email for granting access within KGRS and in this PDF https://www.ksde.gov/docs/default-source/sets/cataid-pca-accesstoprogram.pdf

PCA – home/summary page

On the home page is a list of the current deadlines

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Personnel Categorical Aid Vacancy Window: 07/13/2022 - 04/15/2023 (219 days left) | Due 04/15/2023 (219 days left)
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Term: Regular			
Number of Professional Positions:	6	Professional Positions Total Claimed FTE:	0.00
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Number of Substitutes:	0		

PCA-# of positions

Also on the home page is a summary showing the total number of positions in ESY and Regular

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PCA-FTE claimed!

There is also a summary of the FTE that is claimed.

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Reimbursement Deadlines

- October 1st–Final day to enter/update before the first payment.

The first payment pays on ALL FTE that is claimed.

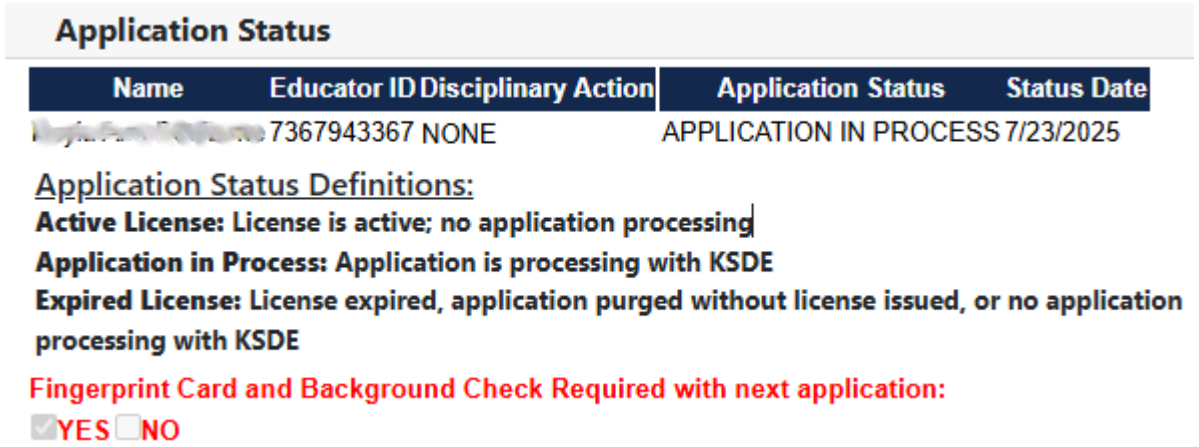
If you don't claim any FTE, you will receive no funds.

Deadlines are in Appendix A of the Reimbursement Guide and in the KIAS calendar

Other Reminders

- Deadline for waivers teaching staff this is November 1. Be sure the waiver area and grades match what the person is doing and what is claimed (which should be the same thing). March 1st is the final waiver deadline.

- Stay on top of KSDE license applications. "In process" applications need to be watched closely. The status date is the last time the file had activity. 90 days and the application can be deleted. KSDE licensed staff can apply for renewal 6 months prior to expiration.



Application Status

Name	Educator ID	Disciplinary Action	Application Status	Status Date
[redacted]	7367943367	NONE	APPLICATION IN PROCESS	7/23/2025

Application Status Definitions:

Active License: License is active; no application processing

Application in Process: Application is processing with KSDE

Expired License: License expired, application purged without license issued, or no application processing with KSDE

Fingerprint Card and Background Check Required with next application:

☑ YES ☐ NO

Authenticated Applications

Problems logging in or creating/removing accounts:
helpdesk@ksde.gov
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Categorical Aid questions/issues:

cataid@ksde.gov or evelyn.alden@ksde.gov
https://www.ksde.gov/policy-and-funding/special-education/categorial-aid-reimbursement

Teacher Licensure

questions/issues (including waivers)
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Changes to Indicator 8

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District Tools

- Family Engagement Survey (FES) is on District Tools
  - Same location as the SY25-26 survey
- Special Education Directors can have access to aggregate data in real time
  - Once each district has at least 5 responses
- If you do not have access to your district's/districts' District Tools page, reach out to districts level administration to add you
  - If you need assistance with this, please reach out to me!

Distribution

- All parents in all districts will be receiving the Family Engagement Survey!
  - This means responsibility is not solely on Special Education Directors and your teams
  - Communication to Superintendents and other district leadership has been to make sure Special Education and Title are at the table for conversations regarding the Family Engagement Survey and its distribution
  - With all parents receiving the survey, there is no longer a requirement to send distribution information to Josie at KSDE



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Indicator 11- Child Find

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Agenda

- **Defining Indicator 11**
- **Why Indicator 11 is important**
- **File Selections-Monitoring**
- **Updated Indicator 11 dates**

What is Indicator 11-Child Find?

Why is Indicator 11 important?

File Selections for Indicator 11 Monitoring Stand-alone LEAs

- Stand-alone LEAs

Child Count Populaiton (ages 3-21 w/federal disability categories)	**Indicator 11** (number of records to select)	**Indicator 12** (number of records to select)
<50	1	1
50-99	2	2
100+	3	3

File Selections for Indicator 11 Monitoring Interlocals and Cooperatives

- Interlocals and Cooperatives

Child Count Populaiton (ages 3-21 w/federal disability categories)	**Indicator 11** (number of records to select)	**Indicator 12** (number of records to select)
<40	1	1
40-79	2	2
80+	3	3

Updated Indicator 11 Dates

Event	Date Open	Date Closed
Notice of Initial Data Collection	September 28, 2026	
Data Collection Window	September 28, 2026	November 1, 2026
Reminder #1	October 15, 2026	
Notice of Clarification	November 16, 2026	

Contact Information



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Early Childhood Special Education

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Updating Early Childhood Special Education Contact Information

- The Early Childhood Special Education Part B Contact List for Indicators 6, 7 & 12 supports local agencies' collaboration when families move between districts.
- Please review to confirm your agencies' information is up to date, and email changes to angel.spann@ksde.gov.

Indicator 6:
Preschool Environments

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- **The Projected Indicator 6 Report is available for review in SPEDPro**
  - To request individual support in reviewing data or planning to improve, contact angel.Spann@ksde.gov.
  - **See the KSDE TASN site: Indicator 6 for resources.**

Indicator 7:
Early Childhood Outcomes

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- **OWS is open for data correction July 1 through September 15.** Run the Missing Entry / Exit report to identify potentially missing data.
- **See the KSDE TASN site: Indicator 7 for resources.**

Indicator 12:
Part C to Part B Transitions

New Electronic System for Transitions

- As of August 13th, the new EI Hub system is active
- All CBER users should have received an email from **HUSData@pcgus.com** with your username and temporary password
- **If you did not receive an email or your temporary password has expired, please reach out to kdhe.ksits@ks.gov for support**

Part C's New Opt Out Policy

- As of July 1, KDHE's Part C program has adopted an **"Opt Out" Policy**
- This policy serves as a way for Part C to continue providing services for children in Part C up until the age 3 whose families do not wish to have a referral sent to Part B
- Families must choose to opt out 135 days before their child turns 3
- Opting out means no referral will be sent to their local district and these children should not show up in Indicator 12 data
- If families do wish to opt in, it will be as a "community referral" and the family will have to adhere to the 60-day timeline for an evaluation



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Expiring IDEA Funds

- Federal Fiscal Year 2024 (SFY25)
  - 27-month period of performance: July 1, 2024- September 30, 2026
    - 90-day liquidation - September 30 – December 30
    - Reminder - To receive December payments, funds must be requested on Form 240 in November

*KSDE review of Form 240: All LEAs have zero balances for FFY24

- Looking Ahead
  - FFY 2025 (SFY26) Period of Performance: July 1, 2025 - September 30, 2027
  - FFY 2026 (SFY27) Period of Performance: July 1, 2026 - September 30, 2028
  - FFY 2027 (SFY28) Period of Performance: July 1, 2027 – September 30, 2029

Monitoring

IDEA & Gifted File Review

- LEA level monitoring
  - SSIDs are pulled from member districts and documentation is submitted in KIAS
- Risk based selection
- 2026-2027: 14 LEAs
- Resource: IDEA and Gifted File Review Toolkit
- Contact: File.Review@ksde.gov

Federal Fiscal File Review

- District level monitoring
  - Member districts may consult with cooperative/interlocal
- 3-Year Monitoring Cohort List
- 2026-2027: 100 districts/organizations
- Resource: Federal Fiscal File Review Supplement
- Contact: fiscalfilereview@ksde.gov

Federal Fiscal File Review

- Self-Assessment: September 1-October 1
  - All LEAs in Cohort 3 complete the self-assessment
- Clarification: October 2-15
  - LEAs with self-reported noncompliance
  - LEAs selected for clarification – 20% of compliant LEAs
- District Corrective Action Plans: Mid-January
- Corrective Documentation: Mid-March

Updated Supplement

- Federal Fiscal File Review Supplement

Federal Fiscal File Review Supplement

Area of Compliance	Acceptable LEA Evidence	Resources	Notes
Question 31: If services were performed by the private school personnel, were they outside of the regular duty hours and under the supervision of the LEA? *__NOTE__ – outside of the regular duty hours does not mean outside the school day. Does staff separate their time by duty to the private school and duty to provide services (i.e. FTE)? • Which private school personnel provided the services? • What are the normal duty hours for these private school personnel? • When were the services provided (dates and times)? • Were the services provided before, after, or during the staff member's regular private school hours? • Is there documentation (e.g., time logs or schedules) showing services occur outside regular duty hours? Reference: 34 CFR 300.142(b))	☐ LEA policy ☐ LEA written procedure(s) ☐ Agreement/communication between LEA and private school staff ☐ Staff listing with FTE amounts ☐ Personnel activity reports (PAR)	• Title Services for Non-Public Schools • Time & Effort Form (PAR)	

Optional Office Hours

- Register on TASN

https://ksdetasn.org/event_groups/a4WZvA

September 1-October 1: Self-assessment window

- August 26 – Overview of Federal Fiscal File Review
- September 9 – Overview of Federal Fiscal File Review
- September 23 – Q&A session

October 2-15: Clarification window

- October 7 – Overview of clarification
- October 14 - Q&A session

Mid-January: District corrective action plans due

- November 18 – Overview of district corrective action plans
- December 2 – Overview of district corrective action plans
- December 16 - Q&A session
- January 6 - Q&A session

Mid-March: Corrective documentation due

- February 3 - Q&A session
- February 17 - Q&A session
- March 3 - Q&A session



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IDEA and Gifted File Review

Cohort 2 – Continued Non-Compliance Updated Data -10/8/26-10/23/26

- SSIDs will be pulled for IEPs completed between August 21st and October 7th.
  - Small districts - 2 IDEA and 1 gifted file
  - Medium districts - 4 IDEA and 1 gifted file
  - Large districts - 6 IDEA and 1 gifted file
- Answer yes/no to non-compliant question(s) and upload documentation for that question(s).

File Review and Indicator 13 SY2026-2027 Identified LEAs

- Initial data collection closes September 14th
  - Documentation must be uploaded for all 11 questions for each student for IDEA and gifted file review.
  - Documentation must be uploaded for all 10 questions for each student on indicator 13.
- KSDE review of documentation – September 15th – October 30th
- LEA Clarifications – November 2nd -16th
  - Opportunity to submit additional clarifying documentation

File Review Training

In-Person training around IDEA and gifted File Review and Indicator 13

- October 5th- Topeka: TASN Events | KSDE TASN
- October 6th- Hays: TASN Events | KSDE TASN
- October 7th- Wichita: TASN Events | KSDE TASN

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Dynamic Learning Maps

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Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Alternate State Assessment

DLM Dates	Date open	Date closed
Required training	August 5. 2026	April 23, 2027
Fall testing window	September 14, 2026	December 18, 2026
Spring testing window	February 1, 2027	April 23, 2027

ELA and Math – Grades 3-8, and 10th required to meet blueprint requirement fall and spring test window.
Science – Grades 5, 8, and 11 no testing available in the fall; required in the spring test window
HGSS – Grades 4, 7 and once in HS; required 1 time per year (results submitted through KEDS)

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DLM webinars for 2026-2027

ALL WEBINARS BEGIN 3:00 P.M. CENTRAL STANDARD TIME

Register for the entire DLM Webinar Series at once

Content is subject to change at any time due to current events
August 27, 2026: What do I need to do to get ready for the fall test window?
September 10, 2026: How do I write instructional plans?
October 8, 2026: DLM ELA and math instructional resources. Register
November 5, 2026: DLM science instruction aligned with the new science EEs. Register
December 10, 2026: DLM fall test window wrap-up – What needs to be finished by Dec 18? Register
February 4, 2027: DLM spring window. Register
April 8, 2027: DLM wrap-up – What needs to be finished by April 23? Register

Join Zoom Meeting
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Kansas Alternate Literacy Screener Changes

KSDE Dyslexia Screening Protocol Reporting,

- Screening data will be received via the KEDS platform. The deadline for fall is **October 10, 2026**. Deadline for spring is **May 28, 2027**.
- The scoring guide will be used to determine high risk, some risk, or at benchmark based on the student's overall score on the score sheet for the student's grade – refer to the score sheet and scoring guide for the specific grade.
- Due to the changes in reporting for fall and spring, **8th grade comprehension will not be reported during the 2026-2027 school year**.
- KSDE is in the process of building out the Alternate Literacy Screener for grades 4th through 8th grade which will be used for the 2027-2028 school year.

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Thank you for Joining us today!!!

The next webinar is scheduled for October 9th, 2026