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*INTEREST RATE ON INVESTMENT*
*Effective 10/26/2026 through 11/1/2026*

| TERM | CURRENT | PREVIOUS |
|---|---|---|
| 1 to 89 Days | **3.88%** | 3.88% |
| 3 Months | **4.18%** | 4.18% |
| 6 Months | **4.29%** | 4.29% |
| 1 Year | **4.55%** | 4.55% |
| 18 Months | **4.70%** | 4.70% |
| 2 Years | **4.78%** | 4.78% |

**Date:** October 26, 2026

**To:** Chief School Administrators

**From:** Frank Harwood
Deputy Commissioner

Dale Brungardt
Director of School Finance

*Minimum investment rates banks must offer to secure public funds as prescribed by K.S.A. 75-4210. Maximum length of investment term is two years.*

## Payments

Oct 26 .....KS Pre-K Pilot (TANF)
Oct 30..... State Safety, Driver Education
Nov 2.....State Foundation Aid
Nov 5.....Selected Federal Payments
Nov 6.....SNP, FFVP & CACFP
Nov 20.....SNP, FFVP & CACFP

Payment amounts for each district/LEA will be posted near the date of deposit: Payment Information.

**State Aid Payments**: Rose Ireland (785) 296-4973

**Federal Aid Payments/Form 240**: Amanda Williams (785) 296-2020
Refer to Form 240 (Federal Aid Payment request form) for a list of federal program funds. To request a December payment, Form 240 will be open from November 2nd through the 15th. The federal Cash Management Improvement Act (CMIA) requires that federal funds must be spent by the end of the month they are received. LEAs cannot carry over federal funds to the following month.

**Child Nutrition Program (CNP) Payments**: Dessa Gifford (785) 296-4965

- SNP = School Nutrition Programs
- FFVP = Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program
- CACFP = Child & Adult Care Food Program
- SFSP = Summer Food Service Program

## Child Nutrition & Wellness (CNW) Monthly Updates

For important details surrounding the Child Nutrition Programs (CNP), please be sure to check out the Monthly Updates provided from Child Nutrition & Wellness (CNW) leadership each month and posted to the CNW website at https://cnw.ksde.gov/ for each of the following under their respective menu: SNP - SNP Monthly Updates; CACFP - CACFP Monthly Updates; or SFSP - SFSP Monthly Updates.

## Report Due Dates

Oct 31 .....Dropout/Graduation Summary Report (DGSR) (all USDs - open Oct 1-Oct 31) DGSR Helpdesk (785) 296-4924

Oct 31 .....At-Risk Accountability Plans (All USDs – Includes Cohort Selection and Financial Reporting, due Oct 31) At-Risk Accountability Plan Application Questions - Brooke Wells (785) 291-3574 Financial Reporting – Dale Brungardt (785) 296-3872

Nov 2-15.....Request December Federal Funds (Form 240) *if funds available* (open Nov 2-15) Amanda Williams (785) 296-2020

Nov 6.....2028 Kansas Teacher of the Year (accepting KTOY nominations via web app - deadline Nov 6) Kira Williams (785) 296-4950

Nov 9-13.....Request for State Foundation Aid for December (all USDs - open Nov 9-13) Rose Ireland (785) 296-4973

Nov 14.....IDEA Maintenance of Effort and Excess Cost Report (all USDs) (open Nov 14-Jan 14) Helen Swanson (785) 296-1712

Nov 15.....Accreditation Licensure Waiver (Form 16) (first semester applications due) Shane Carter (785) 296-2289

Nov 15.....Career (CTE) Pathway Programs of Study - Application & Maintenance (open Nov 15, 2026 - Mar 1, 2027) Pathways Helpdesk (785) 296-4908

Nov 15.....Mill Rate by Fund submission for all USDs (open Nov 15-Dec 15) Marica Ricklefs (785) 296-4209

Nov 15.....Prior year EOY MIS collection – data is finalized Mason Vosburgh (785) 296-4945

Nov 16-Jan 15 Kansas Preschool Pilot Grant Request for Proposals Natalie McClane (785) 296-5081

Nov 17.....Juvenile Detention Center Application due (select LEAs) (Open Nov 17-Dec 1) Amanda Williams (785) 296-2020

## Dropout Graduation Report closes Oct 31

Four days left until submitting the Dropout Graduation Summary Report (DGSR). Districts should validate data across all K-12 levels to ensure accurate reporting for the DGSR. The report will be closed on Friday, Oct. 31. This is a hard deadline.

Be sure to check all exit records and ensure they are uploaded to KIDS. You can do this by running either the graduate report or exit status report in KIDS collection.

If this is your first time submitting this report, visit the DGSR webpage here. Many resources, including the Sample Remove from Cohort Explanations, will help troubleshoot any issues. The accompanying information will ensure data quality. Contact the KIDS Helpdesk or the DGSR Helpdesk, with questions.

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## SAM.gov Renewal Registration

Be aware that SAM.gov accounts expire annually and must be renewed. Establishing a new account or re-activating an existing account that has expired takes time.

When updating your SAM registration, the district must include the 4-digit extension on the zip code (ex. 66612-1212). SAM.gov confirms the zip code with the Congressional District, on where the district resides. If you don't know your 4-digit extension, there is a zip code lookup by address on USPS.com: ZIP Code™ Lookup | USPS Please carefully review all information and assure it agrees with what is on the W-9 as well as in the KSDE Directory. Discrepancies must be rectified.

Questions? Contact Rose Ireland or 785-296-4973.

## Early Retirement Survey is NO LONGER REQUIRED

For those of you that may have this on your annual calendar of "*Things To Do*", you may remove this survey from your list. HB 2628 removed this requirement and K.S.A 72-2291 no longer exists and therefore the Early Retirement Survey is no longer required.

## School Bus Safety Poster Contest

The annual Kansas School Bus Safety Poster Contest is underway! Students across Kansas are encouraged to showcase their creativity while promoting the importance of school bus safety. The Kansas School Pupil Transportation Association (KSPTA) coordinates the contest, including entry submission, judging, selection of state winners, and advancement to the national competition.

Complete contest guidelines can be found on www.ksde.gov, the KSPTA website at www.kspta.net. Please share this opportunity with teachers and students in your district and help keep school bus safety front and center throughout the school year.

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