

**REVISED FURTHER
TENTATIVE
AGENDA***

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

November 30 – December 1, 2021

**Tuesday, November 30
All Day Session
Room 112-N—Statehouse**

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- 10:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
- 10:05 a.m. Presentation on Article 6: The Education Article
- Nick Myers, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
- 10:30 a.m. Examining the Relationship Between School Finance and Student Achievement
- Norma Volkmer, Fiscal Analyst, Kansas Legislative Research Department (KLRD)
 - State Aid Increases
 - Ten-Year Review
 - *Gannon* Increases
 - Academic Achievement Across the State and by Student Cohort
 - Longitudinal Reports 2015 to 2021
 - Funding and Statewide Achievement
 - Craig Neuenswander, Deputy Commissioner of Fiscal and Administrative Services, Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) and Brad Neuenswander, Deputy Commissioner of Learning Services, KSDE
 - Dave Trabert, Kansas Policy Institute (KPI)
- 11:50 a.m. Understanding the Needs of At-Risk Students
- Nick Myers, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
 - Recent Legislative Changes
 - Norma Volkmer, Fiscal Analyst, KLRD
 - School Finance Formula
 - Craig Neuenswander, Deputy Commissioner of Fiscal and Administrative Services, KSDE and Brad Neuenswander, Deputy Commissioner of Learning Services, KSDE

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- 12:20 p.m. Lunch
- 12:35 p.m. Understanding the Student Needs Assessment and its Impact on Student Achievement
- Norma Volkmer, Fiscal Analyst, KLRD
 - Budget Process
 - Nick Myers, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
 - The *Rose* Capacities and Recent Legislation
 - Mark Tallman, Kansas Association of School Boards (KASB)
 - Mike O'Neal, O'Neal Consulting, LLC
- 1:30 p.m. Examining Skills for Student Success Post-Graduation
- Dr. Randy Watson, Commissioner of Education
 - Key Takeaways of the 50-Stop Success Tour
 - Importance of Soft Skills
 - Mike Gibson, Contractors Association
 - Importance of Hard Skills
- 2:10 p.m. KSDE Rules and Regulations Changes and How Those Changes Impact Student Achievement
- Norma Volkmer, Fiscal Analyst, KLRD
 - Jim Porter, Chair, State Board of Education
 - Committee Discussion on Regulations
- 2:45 p.m. Impact of COVID-19 on Student Achievement
- Norma Volkmer, Fiscal Analyst, KLRD
 - Learning Loss
 - Federal Funding for Supplemental Learning Opportunities
 - Representative Adam Thomas
 - Commissioner's Task Force Approved Expenditures for Supplemental Learning Opportunities
- 3:15 p.m. Student Achievement Post-Graduation: The Cost of Remedial Learning
- Justin Stowe, Legislative Post Auditor
 - Evaluating the Need for Developmental Education Courses (Limited Scope)
 - Dr. Blake Flanders, President and Chief Executive Officer, Kansas Board of Regents
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

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- 9:00 a.m. Improving Student Achievement and Outcomes
- Terrell Davis, Executive Director of Public Affairs and Special Projects, USD 259 Wichita
 - Dr. Renee Nugent, Superintendent, USD 409 Atchinson
 - Dr. Anna Stubblefield, Superintendent, USD 500 Kansas City
 - Chuck Knapp, Jobs for America's Graduates – Kansas (written-only)
- 10:00 a.m. Contributing Factors Influencing Student Achievement
- Is the application of Critical Race Theory finding its way into the classroom?
- Ann Mah, State Board of Education
 - Representative Patrick Penn
 - Denise Roberts, private citizen
 - Amy Thomas, private citizen
 - Josiah Enyart, private citizen
 - Dave Trabert, KPI (written-only)
- Improving Parent Partnerships
- Mark Tallman, KASB
 - Tamara James, private citizen
- Mental Health and Its Impact on Student Achievement
- Elaine Cluff, private citizen
 - Linda Highland, private citizen
 - Craig Neuenswander, Deputy Commissioner of Fiscal and Administrative Services, KSDE
- Impact of Masks on Student Achievement
- Lauren Watson, private citizen
- 11:40 a.m. 2021 HB 2134: Remote Learning and Quarantine
- Nick Myers, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
 - Remote Learning Definitions
 - Quarantine Statutes
 - Craig Neuenswander, Deputy Commissioner of Fiscal and Administrative Services, KSDE
 - Impact of HB 2134 on School Districts
- 12:10 p.m. Committee Discussion
- 12:25 p.m. Lunch
- 12:40 p.m. Recent Shifts in Educational Delivery Methods
- Norma Volkmer, Fiscal Analyst, KLRD

- Kansas Student Enrollment: Ten-Year Review
- Home Schooling in Kansas and Nationwide
- Trends in School Choice
- Virtual Learning in Kansas

1:10 p.m.

Virtual Schools

- Cassandra Barton, Head of School, Insight School of Kansas
- Craig Neuenswander, Deputy Commissioner of Fiscal and Administrative Services, KSDE

2:10 p.m.

Committee Discussion

- If the Legislature and the State Board joined together to accomplish a common goal to improve student achievement in Kansas, what would that one goal be?
- How would its success be measured?

3:10 p.m.

Adjourn