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INTEREST RATE ON INVESTMENT
Effective 3/30/2026 through 4/5/2026

Date: March 30, 2026
To: Chief School Administrators
From: Frank Harwood
Deputy Commissioner
Dale Brungardt
Director of School Finance

TERM	CURRENT	PREVIOUS
1 to 89 Days	3.64%	3.64%
3 Months	3.65%	3.63%
6 Months	3.72%	3.67%
1 Year	3.80%	3.70%
18 Months	3.92%	3.77%
2 Years	3.91%	3.75%

[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

Apr 1.....State Foundation Aid, Bond & Interest (Capital Improvement)
Apr 9.....Selected Federal Payments
Apr 10.....SNP, FFVP & CACFP
Apr 15Special Education, KPERS
Apr 24.....SNP, FFVP & CACFP
Apr 27KS Pre-K Pilot (TANF)

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 May payment, Form 240 will be open from April 1st through the 15th. The Federal Cash Management Act 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

Report Due Dates

Apr TBDKansas Parents as Teachers Grant Application FY27
(Will be released in April TBD) [Lisa Williams](#) (785) 296-4964
Apr 1.....State Deaf-Blind Funds (KSA 72-3481) Application for 2026-27 funds
(open April 1-July 31) [Lisa Karney](#) (785) 296-6765
Apr 1.....Special Education Categorical Aid Personnel Report (deadline to update)
[Evelyn Alden](#) (785) 296-3868

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Apr 1-14.....Kansas Pre-Kindergarten Pilot (KPP-TANF) 3rd Quarter Expense Reimbursement Payment Request [Amanda Williams](#) (785) 296-2020

Apr 1-15.....Request May Federal Funds (Form 240) *if funds available* (open April 1-15) [Amanda Williams](#) (785) 296-2020

Apr 3.....Preschool-Aged At-Risk Approval Forms [Natalie McClane](#) (785) 296-5081

Apr 15Special Education State Aid ensures all Medicaid claims for March 1 services are processed and paid [Daniel Kalas](#) (785) 296-3872

Apr 15Special Teacher Vacancy Report due (this is reported in PCA and is different than the teacher vacancy report done in EDCS) [Evelyn Alden](#) (785) 296-3868

Apr 15CTE Pathways Student Data Follow Up (open Feb 1- April 15) [Pathways Helpdesk](#) (785) 296-4908

Apr 15Special Education Transportation Claim Form (Form 308) (open April 15-May 8) [Rose Ireland](#) (785) 296-4973

Apr 30Special Education Catastrophic State Aid Application (current year) and NPE Contracts data is finalized [Mason Vosburgh](#) (785) 296-4945

Apr 30December 1 MIS Child Count – MIS Collection data is finalized [Mason Vosburgh](#) (785) 296-4945

National Stop Arm Violation Count – April 15, 2026

While school buses remain incredibly safe, we all know students who ride buses are most vulnerable when they are outside the bus, in the “**danger zone.**” Kansas is assisting the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services (NASDPTS) in coordinating a national survey to determine the prevalence of illegal passing of school buses. This data will help improve safety countermeasures at the state and national levels.

We are enlisting your assistance in this important project. On **Wednesday, April 15, 2026**, please have your district’s school bus operators observe and report all instances of motorists illegally passing their school buses.



Please ensure your drivers report **only illegal passes** (passes occurring while the school bus is stopped with red warning lights flashing and stop arm(s) deployed).

As always, their primary duty is the safety of the students. If your drivers have questions about what qualifies as a violation, please refer to our information and examples document (link below).

As has been past practice, each district or company will enter data compiled from their collection method directly into our survey.

Survey Link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6QFGYH8>

Please enter your district or company results no later than **Friday, April 24, 2026**.

Driver Report Form (optional):

<https://www.ksde.gov/Portals/0/School%20Bus/Illegal%20Passing%20Survey/stoparm%20violation%20worksheet%202026.pdf?ver=2026-03-24-130008-663>

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Stop Arm Violation Survey Information & Examples:

<https://www.ksde.gov/Portals/0/School%20Bus/Illegal%20Passing%20Survey/Stop%20Arm%20Violation%20Survey%20Examples%202026.pdf?ver=2026-03-24-130008-663>

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Review of Crisis Plan / Emergency Operation Plan (EOP)

It's that time of year to rethink Crisis Plans and Drills (Examples: Active Assailant, Severe Weather, Power Outages, Earthquakes, Winter storms and Pandemics.) Do you have a high-quality Crisis Plan/Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) for those crisis drills that will help answer the Who, What, When, and How?

If you are updating your crisis plan but not sure where to begin, please contact us at the **KSDE Safe and Secure Schools Unit**. We will be more than happy to guide you through the process. We will help with specific plans for your district, share best practices, and even help you with a tabletop exercise which counts as one of your three Crisis Drills for the school year.

If you would like the Safe and Secure Schools Unit to come out and walk through your school district and provide a school safety assessment, we would be happy to come out and visit any district in person!



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Reminder to Purple Up! For Military Kids Day on April 15

Governor Kelly signed a proclamation declaring April as the Month of the Military Child. In honor of this proclamation, we suggest wearing purple on **Wednesday, April 15**, for the Kansas' "Purple Up! For Military Kids" day. Wearing the color purple is a visible way to show support and thank military youth for their strength and sacrifices. **Why purple?** Purple is the color that symbolizes all branches of the military, as it is a combination of Army green, Coast Guard blue, Air Force blue, Marine red, Navy blue, and Space Force blue. Nearly 12,200 Kansas children have at least one parent currently serving in our nation's active-duty, reserve and guard forces.

The 8.5" x 11" poster (illustrated right) can be used to announce what day is chosen for your students to



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"Purple Up". [Click here to Download a Printable PDF](#) poster.

For more information on ideas for schools to recognize military children and celebrate Month of the Military Child, [open the March 16 interest letter](#). *Feel free to choose a different day for your students to celebrate.*



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