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# Agenda Tuesday, March 10, 2026

## Kansas State Department of Education, Suite 102 (Board Room)

| TIME | ITEM | DURATION | PRESENTER |
|---|---|---|---|
| 10:00 a.m. | Call to Order and Roll Call<br>Mission Statement, Moment of Silent Reflection or Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance | 10 min | Chair Hopkins |
| (AI) | 1. Approval of February 2026 meeting minutes | | Chair Hopkins |
| (AI) | 2. Approval of Agenda | | Chair Hopkins |
| (AI) | 3. Approval of Consent Agenda | | |
| | a. Receive monthly personnel report and appointments to unclassified positions | | Wendy Fritz, Director, Human Resources |
| | b. Act on Local Professional Development Plans | | Shane Carter, Director, Teacher Licensure |
| | c. Act on recommendations for Licensure Waivers | | Shane Carter, Director, Teacher Licensure |
| | d. Act on Licensure Review Committee recommendations | | Shane Carter, Director, Teacher Licensure |
| | e. Act on Professional Standards Board Nominations: Local School Board member | | Shane Carter, Director, Teacher Licensure |
| | f. Act on adding programs to the Approved List of State At-Risk Evidence-Based Programs | | Julie Ewing, Asst. Director, Career, Standards and Assessment Services |
| | g. Notification of the intention of one scholarship granting organization (Word of Life Ministries and Schools, Inc.) in Wichita, to participate in the Tax Credit for Low Income Student Scholarship Program. | | Dale Brungardt, Director, School Finance |

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| 10:10 a.m. | 4. Presentation: Comprehensive Literacy Plan<br>KSDE Staff and Dr. Cindy Lane, KBOR<br>*Board Goal #1 Quality School Improvement* | 20 min | Dr. Watson<br>Dr. Nugent<br>Dr. Curtis |
| 10:30 a.m. | 5. Citizen's Open Forum | 15 min | |
| 10:45 a.m. | Break | 10 min | |
| 10:55 a.m. | Continue item 4. Comprehensive Literacy Plan<br>KSDE Staff and Dr. Cindy Lane, KBOR | 40 min | Dr. Watson<br>Dr. Nugent<br>Dr. Curtis |
| 11:35 a.m. | *6. Presentation: Cursive Writing*<br>*Board Goal #1 Quality School Improvement*<br>**Board member request* | 25 min | Mary Lonker, English Language Arts Consultant |
| 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. | LUNCH BREAK VOLUNTEER COMMISSION | 90 min | AT THE CAPITOL |
| 1:30 p.m. (IO) | 7. Student Stories of Soaring into Success<br>Seniors who have found a path from struggle to success | 40 min | Denise Kahler, Director, Communications |
| 2:10 p.m. (AI)<br>Suspend rules and act on | 8. Act to approve Kansas Purple Star School designation as military-friendly school: *USD 266 Maize and St. Francis Xavier in Junction City* | 20 min<br>With photos | Dale Brundgardt, Director, School Finance |
| 2:30 p.m. | Break | 10 min | |
| 2:40 p.m. (IO) | 9. *Reading Corner:* Rachel Swearengin<br>5th Grade History Teacher *Olathe*<br>*Board Goal #1 Quality School Improvement* | 20 min | Mary Lonker, English Language Arts Consultant |
| 3:00 p.m. (IO) | 10. Recognition of the 2025 National ESEA Distinguished Schools<br>*Lakeside Elementary, Waconda USD 272 (Cawker City)*<br>*Norwich Elementary, Kingman-Norwich USD 331* | 30 min<br>With photos | Roxanne Zillinger, Coordinator |
| 3:30 p.m. | Break | 10 min | |
| 3:40 p.m. (IO) | 11. Recognition of the Milken Teacher of the Year<br>Lexcee Oddo, *Turner Elementary, USD 202*<br>Teacher of English Language Learners | 20 min<br>With photos | Denise Kahler, Director, Communications |
| 4:00 p.m. (IO) | 12. Presentation: Registered Teacher Apprenticeship Update<br>*Board Goal #1 Quality School Improvement* | 45 min | Shane Carter, Director, Teacher Licensure |
| 4:45 p.m. | Recess until tomorrow | | |



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# Agenda Wednesday, March 11, 2026

| TIME | ITEM | DURATION | PRESENTER |
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| 9:00 a.m. (AI) | 1. Act on Regulations/Rules Review<br><br>*Board Goal #3 Rules and Regulation* | 10 min | Shane Carter, Director, Teacher Licensure |
| 9:10 a.m. (AI) | 2. Act on Innovative Assessment Pilot Project | 20 min | Dr. Renee Nugent, Deputy Commissioner |
| 9:30 a.m. (AI) | 3. Act on contract with Logicalis training services to implement Microsoft Power BI platform | 15 min | Ryan Kurtenbach, Director, IT |
| 9:45 a.m. (AI)<br><br>(RI) | 4. TWO ITEMS:<br>a. Act on Business Education Content Standards Recommendations<br>b. Receive Evaluation Review Committee recommendations for Higher Ed | 15 min | Dr. Catherine Chmidling, Teacher Licensure |
| 10:00 a.m. | Break | 10 min | |
| 10:10 a.m. (IO) | 5. Legislative Update | 30 min | Dr. Frank Harwood, Deputy Commissioner |
| 10:40 a.m. | 6. Committee Reports<br>Chair Report<br>Travel | 10 min | |
| 10:50 a.m. | 7. Board Comments | 10 min | |
| 11:00 a.m. | Recess to LUNCH | | |
| | EXECUTIVE SESSION | | |

# Agenda Thursday, March 12, 2026

| TIME | ITEM | DURATION | PRESENTER |
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| 9:00 a.m. | EXECUTIVE SESSION | | |
| | Recess to LUNCH | | |
| 1:00 p.m. | EXECUTIVE SESSION | | |
| 5:00 p.m. | Adjournment | | |



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