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## SUMMARY OF THE SEPTEMBER 2021 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MTG

### Action

- Accepted recommendations of the Commissioner's Task Force on ESSER and approved school district expenditure plans and change requests for federal COVID-19 relief funds as presented. (36 district plans; 30 change requests)
- Accepted recommendations of the Accreditation Review Council to award the status of Accredited to USD 290 Ottawa, USD 333 Concordia, USD 335 North Jackson, USD 337 Royal Valley, USD 340 Jefferson West, USD 345 Seaman, USD 413 Chanute, and from the Kansas City Archdiocese - Sacred Heart, Sts. Peter and Paul, Holy Name, Holy Rosary, Holy Family, Mater Dei and St. Rose Philippine.
- Approved the new educator preparation program standards for School Psychologist birth through third grade, PreK-12.
- Adopted amendments to Accreditation regulations K.A.R. 91-31-31 through 91-31-43.
- Re-appointed Jim McNiece to serve on the National Forum Planning Committee for the Education Commission of the States.
- Members **did not** vote on the Legislative Priorities this month as anticipated on the agenda, but continued discussions on what will be labeled as the State Board's Legislative Positions.

### Presentations

- Staff and students from Piper USD 203 and DeSoto USD 232 described their respective methods for implementing Individual Plans of Study. Through the IPS process, students engage in career exploration, awareness and preparedness. The process includes reflection, goal setting and examination of strengths/passions.
- Members learned about a new partnership effort to develop individual leadership traits of school principals in their first years as building administrators. *Elevate Leadership* takes a balanced approach to both the art and science of leadership.

### Joint Meeting with Kansas Board of Regents

- The Kansas State Board of Education and Kansas Board of Regents conducted a joint meeting virtually to discuss areas that impact their work together. Topics included ways to improve students' postsecondary success, increasing FAFSA completion and tuition-free college classes in high school.

Next Meeting – Oct. 12 and 13 at the Landon State Office Bldg.

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