



## **2008 - 2009 Administrator Appointments**

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Dear Administrators:

United School Administrators of Kansas (USA|Kansas) is often approached by the Kansas State Department of Education, the Kansas State Legislature and other outside organizations to recommend administrators to service on committees and advisory groups. While final appointments are subject to formal action by these outside groups, USA|Kansas works in consultation with its member associations to make recommendations.

There are a number of factors that may impact final recommendations by USA|Kansas, including, but not limited to:

- Contributions to the profession
- Membership in USA|Kansas and appropriate professional association(s)
- Geographic location (some appointments may be made by State Board districts)
- District demographics
- Completion of required paperwork and submission of appropriate support materials

This resource guide includes information about those educational leaders representing USA|Kansas and your professional associations. If you have questions about activities or work that these groups are doing, please contact the USA|Kansas office or your colleagues.

The information included in this guide is subject to change without notice. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Semmel", written in a cursive style.

Cheryl L. Semmel  
Executive Director

Non-USA|Kansas members are denoted with a (+)

**P-20 Education Council**

Brenda Dietrich, Superintendent, Auburn Washburn USD 437  
Appointed by: Governor Kathleen Sebelius  
Representing: USA|Kansas

For a complete listing of members, visit the USA|Kansas website and click on the P-20 Education Council button.

**2008 Special Education Funding Task Force (Legislative)**

Rob Balsters, Deputy Superintendent, Seaman USD 345  
Appointed by: USA|Kansas  
Representing: USA|Kansas and KASBO

Neil Guthrie, Division Director, Special Education and Support Services, Wichita USD 259  
Appointed by: USA|Kansas  
Representing: USA|Kansas, at-large

Bert Moore, Superintendent, West Elk USD 282 and Director, Chautauqua and Elk County Special Education Services Cooperative  
Appointed by: USA|Kansas  
Representing: USA|Kansas and KASEA

**Kansas Council of Mentors**

Cheryl Semmel, Executive Director  
Representing: USA|Kansas

For a complete listing of members, visit the Kansas Mentors website at [www.ksmentors.ks.gov](http://www.ksmentors.ks.gov)

**Kansas Educational Leadership Commission (KELC)**

Duane Dorshorst, Elementary Principal, Oberlin USD 294  
Representing: USA|Kansas – KAESP

Jacque Feist, High School Principal, Dodge City USD 443  
Representing: USA|Kansas – KASSP

Deborah Perbeck, Superintendent, Parsons USD 503  
Representing: USA|Kansas – KASA

Cheryl Semmel, Executive Director  
Representing: USA|Kansas

### **KELC Design Team: Teacher Leadership Blueprint**

Dr. Justin Henry, Superintendent, Southeast of Saline USD 306  
Randal Bagby, Superintendent, Lansing USD 469  
Jan Neufeld, Associate Superintendent (C&I), Newton USD 373  
Beth Reust, Superintendent, Plainville USD 270

### **Design Team: Higher Education Preparation Review**

David Flowers, Superintendent, Hutchinson USD 308  
Gary Sechrist, Secondary Principal, Lyons USD 405  
Mike Gower, Elementary Principal, Phillipsburg USD 325

### **Design Team: Administrative Evaluation**

Chuck Schmidt, Superintendent, Independence USD 446  
Sharon Zoellner, Superintendent, DeSoto USD 232  
Mark Evans, Superintendent, Andover USD 385  
Mary Ellen Welshhon, Superintendent/Principal, Golden Plains USD 316  
Duane Dorshorst, Elementary Principal, Oberlin USD 294  
+ Ed Raymond, Associate Superintendent - HR, Wichita USD 259

### **Design Team: Kansas Education Leadership Initiative**

Dennis Stones, Superintendent, Sabetha USD 402  
+ Leroy Parks, Secondary Principal, Wichita USD 259  
Dennis Burke, Superintendent, Baxter Springs USD 508  
Sue Givens, Superintendent, El Dorado USD 490  
+ Kevin Lunsford, Principal, Leavenworth Virtual School  
Deb Perbeck, Superintendent, Parsons USD 503  
Jacque Feist, Secondary Principal, Dodge City USD 443

### **Design Team: Learning Focused Leadership Initiative**

Jim Lentz, Superintendent, Augusta USD 402  
Dayna Richardson, Associate Superintendent of Instruction, Buhler USD 313  
+ Walter Carter, Director Professional Development, Blue Valley USD 229  
Jannette Luthi, Director Curriculum, Independence, USD 446  
+ Darren Dennis, Assistant Superintendent, Garden City USD 457  
+ Ed West, Secondary Principal, Lawrence USD 497  
Rob Sattler, Elementary and Middle School Principal and Test Coordinator, Oakley 274  
Diana Wieland, Director Curriculum and Instruction, Colby USD 315

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## **Teaching in Kansas Commission**

Susan Scherling, Superintendent, Stanton County USD 452  
Alan Cunningham, Superintendent, Dodge City USD 443  
Tom Petz, Executive Director for Human Resources, Kansas City USD 500

### **Subcommittee: Teacher Preparation**

Clarence Horn, Adjunct professor, Friends University  
Judy Welter, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum Director, Paola USD 368  
Matt Meek, Middle School Principal, Paola USD 368

### **Subcommittee: Working Conditions**

Susan Scherling (co-chair), Superintendent, Stanton County USD 452  
+ Brad King, Association professor, Mid America Nazarene University  
Jim Lentz, Superintendent, Augusta USD 402  
Tom Vernon, Superintendent, Great Bend USD 428  
Bart Goering, Superintendent, Spring Hill USD 313  
Marvin Estes, Superintendent, Winfield USD 465  
Tim Brady, Secondary Principal, USD 231

### **Subcommittee: Salary and Benefits**

Alan Cunningham (co-chair), Superintendent, Dodge City USD 443  
Duane Dorshorst (co-chair), Elementary Principal, Oberlin USD 294  
Deb Perbeck, Superintendent, Parsons USD 503  
Greg Mann, Superintendent, Norton USD 211  
Gary Sechrist, Secondary Principal, Lyons USD 405  
+ A.J. D'Angelo, Deputy Superintendent, Salina, USD 305

### **Subcommittee: Regulations/Requirements/Data**

Tom Petz (co-chair), Executive Director Human Resources, Kansas City USD 500  
Dick Harlan, Superintendent, Twin Valley USD 240  
John Heim, Superintendent, Emporia USD 253  
Terrel Harrison, Superintendent, Colby USD 315

### **Subcommittee: Image and Promotion**

John Morton, Superintendent, Newton USD 373  
Denise O'Dea, Superintendent, Wellsville USD 289  
+ Phil Clark, Secondary Principal, Olathe USD 233  
Martha Darter, Elementary Principal, Garden City USD 457  
Jacque Feist, High School Principal, Dodge City USD 443

**Subcommittee: Regulation/Teacher Leader**

Marvin Estes, Superintendent, Winfield USD 465

**Kansas Department of Education Professional Standards Board**

*Please note: Appointments are made by the Kansas State Board of Education, upon recommendation by USA/Kansas, in consultation with the appropriate member association*

The Professional Standards Board was created by statute K.S.A. 72-8502. The Professional Standards Board meets four times per year and is composed of 21 members who are appointed for up to two three-year terms of office by the Kansas State Board of Education. This includes 7 public school classroom teachers, 1 chief public school administrator, 3 building level public school administrators, 1 area vocational school teacher, 1 public school special education administrator, 1 accredited non-public school teacher, 1 accredited non-public school administrator, 1 Board of Regents university dean of the school of education, 1 faculty or administrative representative from a private teacher education institution, 1 member of a parent-teacher association, and 1 member of a local board of education. The Professional Standards Board is responsible for developing and recommending for adoption rules and regulations for professional standards governing educator preparation and admission to and continuance in the profession of teaching and school administration, including the requirements for continuing education for educators.

<b><u>Administrator</u></b>	<b>Term expires</b>
+ Deborah Haltom, Special Education, Shawnee Mission USD 512 <i>(to be replaced by David Myers, Director of Special Education, Atchison USD 409)</i>	June 30, 2009
John Heim, Superintendent, Emporia USD 353 <i>(to be replaced by Denise O'Dea, Superintendent, Wellsville USD 289)</i>	June 30, 2009
Rick Henry, Secondary Principal, Kingman-Norwich USD 331	June 30, 2011
+ Lori Martin, Elementary Principal, Manhattan USD 383	June 30, 2010
Alice Morris, Middle School Principal, Coffeyville USD 445	June 30, 2010

**Regulations Committee**

The Regulations Committee meets as needed and is composed of ten members appointed for up to two three-year terms of office by the Professional Standards Board. This includes three each from classroom teachers, school administrators, higher education, and one AVTS vocational educator. The Committee receives input from the field, and presents recommendations on licensure and teacher education regulations to the State Board.

Michael Maurer, Middle School Principal, Haysville USD 261  
Alice Morris, Middle School Principal, Coffeyville USD 445  
Tom Trigg, Superintendent, Blue Valley USD 229

### **Evaluation Review Committee**

The Evaluation Review Committee (ERC) is composed of 13 members, four each representing higher education, school administrators, and teachers and one at-large member. The ERC reviews and evaluates on-sites and program reviews to determine accreditation status of the Kansas teacher education institutions and the teacher education programs which they offer. The committee conducts hearings upon the request of a teacher education institution to appeal the ERC's recommendation regarding the unit or program accreditation status. The ERC submits its final recommendations regarding accreditation and program approval status to the Kansas State Board of Education.

Rick Henry, Secondary Principal, Kingman USD 331  
+ David Hofmeister, Southwestern College  
+ Shirley Meissner, CO – Interim head – The Independent School, Wichita  
Scott Myers, Superintendent, Jefferson West USD 340  
Greg Rasmussen, Assistant Superintendent, Wichita USD 259  
Martin Straub, Assistant Principal, Hays USD 489

### **Policies and Procedures Committee**

The Policies and Procedures Committee meets four times per year and is composed of seven members appointed for up to two three-year terms of office by the Professional Standards Board. This includes two each representing higher education, school administrators and teachers, and one member at-large. The Policies and Procedures Committee has the responsibility to develop all policies and procedures which relate to the evaluation of teacher education units and the teacher education programs which they offer.

David Brax, Superintendent, Buhler USD 313  
*(to be replaced by Tony Frieze, Supt., Chapman USD 473)*  
+ Lori Martin, Elementary Principal, Manhattan USD 383

<b>Kansas State Department of Education Licensure Review Committee (LRC)</b>
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The Licensure Review Committee was created under S.B.R. 91-1-28 and meets every other month. It is composed of 7 members appointed for up to two three-year terms of office by the Kansas State Board of Education. This includes one elementary classroom teacher, one junior/middle school classroom teacher, one senior high classroom teacher, one special education classroom teacher, one chief school administrator, one building level school administrator, and one chairperson of a department of education of a teacher education institution. The Licensure Review Committee reviews the qualifications of the applicants who desire to be licensed in the State of Kansas but who do not satisfy all the requirements for licensure as specified in (State Board) regulations.

Mike Mathes, Superintendent, Seaman USD 345  
*(to be replaced by Randy Rivers, Superintendent., Bluestem USD 205)*  
Ed Raines, Principal, Washburn Rural USD 437

**Kansas State Department of Education Professional Practices Commission (PPC)**

The Professional Practices Commission was created under K.S.A. 72-8503 and meets four times per year and is composed of 9 members appointed for up to two three-year terms of office by the Kansas State Board of Education. This includes 5 classroom teachers, (with at least one elementary teacher, one junior high or middle level teacher, and one senior high teacher), one chief public school administrator, one public elementary school principal, one public junior high or middle level principal, and one public senior high principal. The Professional Practices Commission shall exercise disciplinary and advisory functions and shall hear cases arising under rules and regulations adopted by the State Board of Education involving the issuance, suspension, revocation, or reinstatement of teacher' and school administrators' licenses and render initial orders for disposition thereof.

Susan Myers, Superintendent, Atchison USD 409  
Rick Riffle, Middle School Principal, Phillipsburg USD 325  
+ David Webb, Secondary Principal, Pioneer Ridge USD 231