

## Educating All Children in Kansas – Political Action Committee (E-PAC)

Contributor's full name \_\_\_\_\_

Contributor's address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of contribution

monthly

one-time only

payroll deduction

(\*Please provide your payroll department with a copy to process payroll deductions.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Check (enclosed)

\_\_\_\_\_ Mastercard/Visa/Discover/Am Ex (circle one) # \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date (MM/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_

Name (as it appears on card) \_\_\_\_\_

Contributor's occupation (if over \$150 donation) \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to E-PAC and mail to: E-PAC, 515 S. Kansas Avenue, Suite 201, Topeka, Kansas 66603**

-----Detach and return card with contribution.-----

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*Affiliated with United School Administrators of Kansas  
and the Kansas Association of School Boards*

### ***The E-PAC Challenge***

*E-PAC encourages each administrator and board member to  
contribute at least \$25 this election cycle.*

*Contributions can be made via check, credit card  
or payroll deduction. Use the form on the back of this page or  
visit [www.usakansas.org/epac.php](http://www.usakansas.org/epac.php)*

## **Educating All Children in Kansas Political Action Committee (E-PAC)**

United School Administrators of Kansas (USA|Kansas) and the Kansas Association of School Boards (KASB), two organizations committed to improving Kansas public education, have a nonpartisan political action committee (PAC).

The purpose of the PAC is to endorse and support candidates who realize the importance of public education and will support efforts to improve it. Specifically, E-PAC:

- promotes and strives for the improvement of government by individuals interested in the education of Kansas school children by encouraging them to take a more active and effective part in governmental affairs.
- encourages individuals interested in public schools to understand the nature and actions of their government as to important political issues and to be aware of the qualifications of elected officials and candidates for elective office in Kansas.
- protects, encourages and supports the public education enterprise system by encouraging members and others to participate in the political process.
- encourages qualified candidates to seek elective office.
- assists public school patrons, educators and boards of education members to be more involved in effective political action and in carrying out their civic responsibilities.
- receives contributions and expends the monies so contributed to assist, by means of direct financial contributions, candidates for elected offices, political action committees and others whom it is believed are in general agreement with the objectives and purposes of this committee.
- solicits funds for these purposes by mail, by personal contact and by any other lawful means.
- does any and all things necessary or desirable for the attainment of the purposes stated above.

## **E-PAC Candidate Endorsements**

During each election cycle, Legislative and State Board of Education candidates are invited to complete a questionnaire about their positions on public education and funding. A volunteer committee comprised of executive board members from USA|Kansas and KASB is responsible for reviewing candidate responses and voting records, if applicable, and determines whether an endorsement is appropriate.

E-PAC endorses candidates in one of two ways:

- a letter of support with a campaign contribution or
- a letter of support with no campaign contribution

The level and number of contributions is directly related to the financial resources available to E-PAC at the time the endorsement is made.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

Why should I donate to a PAC?

*PACs are able to leverage resources from multiple donors to support candidates and are able to deflect attention from individual contributors at the local level and*

How much money does E-PAC need?

*EPAC is allowed, by law, to contribute up to:*

- \$500 per State Board of Education candidate
- \$500 per Kansas House of Representatives candidate
- \$1,000 per Kansas Senate candidate

In 2010, there are 5 seats up for election on the State Board of Education and 125 seats in the Kansas House of Representatives. **If E-PAC wanted to make the maximum allowable contribution in all Kansas State Board of Education and House of Representative races, we would need \$65,000** -- that does not include money that could be used for advertising endorsements or administrative costs.