



TO: Roger Breed, Ed.D.
Commissioner of Education

FROM: Russ Inbody, Administrator of Finance & Organizational Services

SUBJECT: Consideration of requests relative to budgeting provisions of the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act in the areas of: Data Transmission Networks, Insurance Settlement, Retirement Contribution Increase, Short Term Borrowing, Special Supplementary Grants, and Voluntary Termination Agreements.

Proposed Board Action:

- Proposed Board Action 1: Approve the exclusion amount for Distance Education Courses for the district shown on the attachment.
- Proposed Board Action 2: Approve the Insurance Settlement listed on the attachment as a Special Grant Fund.
- Proposed Board Action 3: Approve the exclusion amount for a Retirement Contribution Increase for the district shown on the attachment.
- Proposed Board Action 4: Approve the Short-Term Borrowing listed on the attachment as a Special Grant Fund.
- Proposed Board Action 5: Approve the grants listed on the attachment as Special Supplementary Grants.
- Proposed Board Action 6: Approve the exclusion amount for Voluntary Termination Agreements for the district shown on the attachment.

Background Information:

- Proposed Board Action 1: Approve the exclusion amount for Distance Education Courses for the district shown on the attachment.
- Background Information 1: Section 79-1028.01(1)(d) provides for the Department to permit a district to exceed its budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures for amounts received from educational entities for providing distance education courses through the Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council to such educational entities. Department Staff have reviewed the request listed on the attachment and recommend approval. If approved, the school district may access additional budget authority. This request is applicable to the 2012/13 school district budget.
- Proposed Board Action 2: Approve the Insurance Settlement listed on the attachment as a Special Grant Fund.
- Background Information 2: The State Board, pursuant to provisions of State Statute Section 79-1003(39) and 79-1028.01(1)(k), has designated Insurance Settlements as a special grant fund for budget limitation purposes. The Insurance Settlement listed on the attachment has been reviewed by Department Staff and appears to qualify as a special grant fund. If approved, the school districts may access additional budget authority. This request is applicable to the 2012/13 school district budget.
- Proposed Board Action 3: Approve the exclusion amount for a Retirement Contribution Increase for the district shown on the attachment.
- Background Information 3: Section 79-1028.01(1)(f)&(g) provides for the Department to permit a district to exceed its applicable allowable growth

percentage for expenditures for a retirement contribution increase. Department Staff have reviewed the request listed on the attachment and recommend approval. If approved, the school district may access additional budget authority. This request is applicable to the 2012/13 school district budget.

Proposed Board Action 4: Approve the Short-Term Borrowing listed on the attachment as a Special Grant Fund.

Background Information 4:

The State Board, pursuant to State Statute Section 79-1003(39) and 79-1028.01(1)(k), has designated Short-Term Borrowings as a special grant fund for budget limitation purposes. The Short-Term Borrowing listed on the attachment has been reviewed by Department Staff and appears to qualify as a special grant fund. If approved, the school district may access additional budget authority. This request is applicable to the 2012/13 school district budget.

Proposed Board Action 5: Approve the grants listed on the attachment as a Special Supplementary Grants.

Background Information 5:

The State Board, pursuant to State Statute Section 79-1003(20) & (39) and 79-1028.01(1)(k), has designated Special Supplementary Grants from Corporations, Foundations, or Other Private Interests as special grant funds for budget limitations purposes. The individual grant listed on the attachment has been reviewed by Department Staff and appears to qualify as a special supplementary grant. If approved, the school district may access additional budget authority. This request is applicable to the 2012/13 school district budget.

Proposed Board Action 6: Approve the exclusion amount for Voluntary Termination Agreements for the district shown on the attachment.

Background Information 6:

Section 79-1028.01(1)(h) provides for the Department to permit a district to exceed its budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures for expenditures for voluntary termination agreements. Department Staff have reviewed the request listed on the attachment and recommend approval. If approved, the school district may access additional budget authority. This request is applicable to the 2012/13 school district budget.

Estimated Cost:

None.

Supporting Documentation Included:

Requests Relative to the Budgeting Provisions of the Tax Equity & Educational Opportunities Support Act for the 2012/13 School Year.

For Additional Information on this item:

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**Requests Relative to the Budgeting Provisions
of the Tax Equity & Educational Opportunities Support Act
For the 2012/13 School Year**

Recommendation 1

Distance Education Courses [Section 79-1028.01(1)(d)]

County-District Number	School District Name	Amount to be Approved
06-0006-000	Cedar Rapids Public Schools	\$7,224
10-0069-000	Ravenna Public Schools	\$25,000
39-0010-000	Greeley-Wolbach Public School	\$3,568

Recommendation 2

Insurance Settlement [Section 79-1003(39) and 79-1028.01(1)(k)]

County-District Number	School District Name	Amount to be Approved
74-0056-000	Falls City Public Schools	\$10,000

Recommendation 3

Retirement Contribution Increase [Section 79-1028.01(1)(f)&(g)]

County-District Number	School District Name	Amount to be Approved
<i>See attached list</i>		

Recommendation 4

Short Term Borrowing [Sections 79-1003(39) and 79-1028.01(1)(k)]

County-District Number	School District Name	Amount to be Approved
13-0056-000	Conestoga Public Schools	\$750,000

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of the Tax Equity & Educational Opportunities Support Act
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**Recommendation 5
Special Supplementary Grants [Sections 79-1003(20)&(39) and
79-1028.01(1)(k)]**

County-District Number	School District Name	Project Name	Amount to be Approved
20-0001-000	West Point Public Schools	Green Facility – Nebraska Municipal Power Pool (NMMP)	\$15,800
28-0017-000	Millard Public Schools	Millard Education Foundation Grants Autism Minigrant Autism Action Partnership ESU #3 Metro Region ASD Mini Grant Learning Community Elementary Learning Center Region 21 Interagency Planning Teams Papio-Missouri NRD WalMart Foundation Midwest Dairy Association Qwest Foundation Sam's Club Pacific Life Foundation Target Foundation ING Unsung Hero Seldin Corporation Total Corporations, Foundations & Other Private Interests	\$1,918,700 \$7,620 \$2,500 \$7,550 \$118,823 \$18,500 \$4,000 \$2,000 \$10,000 \$4,000 \$4,000 \$5,000 \$5,000 \$4,000 <u>\$3,536</u> \$2,115,229

**Recommendation 6
Voluntary Termination Agreements [Section 79-1028.01(1)(h)]**

County-District Number	School District Name	Amount to be Approved
<i>See attached list</i>		

2012/13
Retirement Contribution Increase Expenditure Exclusion Requests
79-1028.01(1)(f) & (g)

State Board of Education Approval
October 10, 2012

Co/District	District Name	Retirement Contribution Increase
10-0019-000	SHELTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	57,719
10-0069-000	RAVENNA PUBLIC SCHOOLS	78,416
12-0502-000	EAST BUTLER PUBLIC SCHOOLS	68,603
13-0032-000	LOUISVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS	76,735
13-0056-000	CONESTOGA PUBLIC SCHOOLS	116,117
18-0002-000	SUTTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	67,755
19-0039-000	LEIGH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	34,477
19-0058-000	CLARKSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	36,710
20-0030-000	WISNER-PILGER PUBLIC SCHOOLS	82,474
22-0031-000	HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	68,085
24-0004-000	OVERTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	45,540
25-0025-000	CREEK VALLEY SCHOOLS	50,646
28-0017-000	MILLARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS	3,075,329
28-0059-000	BENNINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	205,566
30-0054-000	SHICKLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS	36,248
34-0034-000	FREEMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS	59,150
38-0011-000	HYANNIS AREA SCHOOLS	30,773
41-0002-000	GILTNER PUBLIC SCHOOLS	39,547
41-0091-000	HAMPTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	36,255
54-0505-000	SANTEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	54,016
66-0111-000	NEBRASKA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS	208,129
69-0055-000	LOOMIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS	40,213

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Retirement Contribution Increase Expenditure Exclusion Requests
79-1028.01(1)(f) & (g)

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Co/District	District Name	Retirement Contribution Increase
70-0002-000	PIERCE PUBLIC SCHOOLS	100,933
72-0019-000	OSCEOLA PUBLIC SCHOOLS	46,515
72-0075-000	HIGH PLAINS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	58,897
76-0068-000	FRIEND PUBLIC SCHOOLS	51,460
77-0046-000	SPRINGFIELD PLATTEVIEW COMMUNIT	180,677
82-0001-000	LOUP CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS	52,144
85-0070-000	THAYER CENTRAL COMMUNITY SCHS	51,592

2012/13
Voluntary Termination Agreement
Expenditure Exclusion Requests
79-1028.01(1)(h)

State Board of Education Approval
October 10, 2012

Co/District	District Name	Voluntary Termination Agreement
01-0090-000	ADAMS CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS	125,000
28-0017-000	MILLARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS	3,240,015
28-0066-000	WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	2,241,566
54-0505-000	SANTEE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	35,000
59-0080-000	ELKHORN VALLEY SCHOOLS	13,500
67-0069-000	LEWISTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS	15,842
70-0002-000	PIERCE PUBLIC SCHOOLS	187,191
71-0001-000	COLUMBUS PUBLIC SCHOOLS	240,117
72-0075-000	HIGH PLAINS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	11,500
76-0068-000	FRIEND PUBLIC SCHOOLS	57,390
77-0046-000	SPRINGFIELD PLATTEVIEW COMMUNIT	144,000