



TO: Scott Swisher, Ed.D.
Deputy 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: 1) Additional 2% Budget Growth, 2) Distance Education Courses, 3) Retirement Contribution Increase, 4) Special Supplementary Grant, and 5) Voluntary Termination Agreements.

Proposed Board Action:

- Proposed Board Action 1:
Approve the amount for the Board Vote to Access 2% Additional Growth Expenditure Exclusion for the district shown on the attachment.
- Proposed Board Action 2:
Approve the exclusion amount for Distance Education Courses for the district shown on the attachment.
- 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 grants listed on the attachment as Special Supplementary Grants.
- Proposed Board Action 5:
Approve the exclusion amount for Voluntary Termination Agreements for the district shown on the attachment.

Background Information:

- Proposed Board Action 1: Approve the amount for the Board Vote to Access 2% Additional Growth Expenditure Exclusion for the district shown on the attachment.
- Background Information 1:
Section 79-1028.01(2)(e) provides for the Department to permit a district to exceed its budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures in the amount not to exceed 2% of their 2012/13 Certified Budget Authority with the approval of the district's local school board. 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 2013/14 school district budget.
- Proposed Board Action 2: Approve the exclusion amount for Distance Education Courses for the district shown on the attachment.
- Background Information 2:
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 2013/14 school district budget.
- Proposed Board Action 3: Approve the exclusion amount for a Retirement Contribution Increase for the district shown on the attachment.
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- 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 2013/14 school district budget.

Proposed Board Action 4: Approve the grants listed on the attachment as a Special Supplementary Grants.

Background Information 4:

The State Board, pursuant to State Statute Section 79-1003(20) & (39) and 79-1028.01(1)(k), has designated Special Supplementary Grants from City or County Governments, 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 2013/14 school district budget.

Board Action 5: Approve the exclusion amount for Voluntary Termination Agreements for the district shown on the attachment.

Background Information 5:

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 2013/14 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 2013/14 School Year.

For Additional Information on this item:

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**Recommendation 1
2% Additional Growth Expenditure [Section 79-1028.01(2)(e)]**

County-District Number	School District Name	Amount to be Approved
06-0017	St Edward Public Schools	\$41,826
07-0006	Alliance Public Schools	\$249,055
10-0009	Elm Creek Schools	\$76,994
10-0069	Ravenna Public Schools	\$89,347
12-0056	David City Public Schools	\$146,769
13-0001	Plattsmouth Community Schools	\$285,602
13-0056	Conestoga Public Schools	\$112,002
16-0030	Cody-Kilgore Public Schools	\$41,611
18-0002	Sutton Public Schools	\$99,774
18-0011	Harvard Public Schools	\$55,951
21-0025	Broken Bow Public Schools	\$154,535
27-0001	Fremont Public Schools	\$761,890
28-0015	Douglas Co West Public Schools	\$199,078
28-0066	Westside Community Schools	\$1,162,296
34-0034	Freeman Public Schools	\$85,680
44-0070	Hitchcock County Public Schools	\$82,511
47-0103	Elba Public Schools	\$36,390
48-0008	Fairbury Public Schools	\$202,931
49-0050	Johnson County Central Public Schools	\$121,355
53-0001	Kimball Public Schools	\$123,941
57-0501	Stapleton Public Schools	\$54,418
59-0005	Battle Creek Public Schools	\$101,651
61-0049	Palmer Public Schools	\$56,930
68-0020	Perkins County Schools	\$141,023
77-0046	Springfield Platteview Community Schls	\$214,344
82-0015	Litchfield Public Schools	\$43,672
93-0083	McCool Junction Public Schools	\$71,557

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Recommendation 2

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

County-District Number	School District Name	Amount to be Approved
61-0049	Palmer Public Schools	\$32,130

Recommendation 3

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

County-District Number	School District Name	Amount to be Approved
10-0009	Elm Creek Public Schools	\$54,916
10-0019	Shelton Public Schools	\$57,389
12-0502	East Butler Public Schools	\$63,202
13-0032	Louisville Public Schools	\$79,420
13-0056	Conestoga Public Schools	\$123,552
14-0101	Wynot Public Schools	\$29,742
18-0011	Harvard Public Schools	\$50,578
20-0030	Wisner-Pilger Public Schools	\$91,245
22-0011	So Sioux City Community Schools	\$631,601
26-0024	Newcastle Public Schools	\$27,269
28-0015	Douglas Co West Community Schools	\$144,066
28-0017	Millard Public Schools	\$3,137,829
28-0066	Westside Community Schools	\$986,371
41-0091	Hampton Public Schools	\$36,526
42-0002	Alma Public Schools	\$58,151
70-0002	Pierce Public Schools	\$103,606
71-0005	Lakeview Community Schools	\$127,765
72-0075	High Plains Community Schools	\$60,740
77-0046	Springfield Platteview Community Schls	\$192,070
81-0003	Hay Springs Public Schools	\$32,890
82-0015	Litchfield Public Schools	\$30,360
86-0001	Thedford Public Schools	\$25,541

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Recommendation 4

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
28-0017	Millard Public Schools	Millard Education Foundation Grants	\$1,947,041
		ESU#3 Metro Region Autism Spectrum Disorders Mini Grant	\$5,600
		Autism Action Partnership	\$2,383
		Learning Community Elementary Learning Center	\$167,433
		Region 21 Interagency Planning Teams	\$18,500
		Papio-Missouri NRD	\$1,000
		WalMart Foundation	\$2,000
		Gen Youth Foundation	\$5,607
		Learn and Serve	\$5,607
		MCC Secondary Partnership Office Mini Grant	\$10,000
		Pacific Life Foundation	\$5,000
		Target Foundation	\$5,000
		Positive Behavior Support	\$3,994
44-0070	Hitchcock County School System	PBIS Grant	\$10,100
		Hanson Foundation Grant	\$10,000
45-0007	O'Neill Public Schools	Monsanto's Fund America's Farmers Grow Rural Education	\$10,000
51-0001	Ogallala Public Schools	Alternative Education for Successful Students	\$22,500
		Applegate Foundation Grant	\$40,000
		Ogallala Public School Foundation	\$40,000
74-0056	Falls City Public Schools	Monsanto's Fund America's Farmers Grow Rural Education	\$25,000

Recommendation 5

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

County-District Number	School District Name	Amount to be Approved
01-0123	Silver Lake Public Schools	\$19,750
13-0056	Conestoga Public Schools	\$57,480
14-0101	Wynot Public Schools	\$22,014
22-0011	South Sioux Community City Schools	\$126,759
26-0024	Newcastle Public Schools	\$15,489
28-0015	Douglas Co West Community Schools	\$69,550
28-0017	Millard Public Schools	\$3,604,581
28-0054	Ralston Public Schools	\$343,127
72-0075	High Plains Community Schools	\$32,678
77-0046	Springfield Platteview Community Schls	\$95,505