

GIVING KIDS A FIGHTING CHANCE IN KANSAS

Kansas voters want legislative intervention as part of the solution for the low educational achievement in our public schools



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voters believe school funding should follow the child to allow educational options that meet the child's needs

THE MONEY SHOULD FOLLOW THE CHILD

FAMILIES NEED OPPORTUNITIES NOW MORE THAN EVER



Only **24%** believe the money should stay in districts, even if they are closed to in-person learning

600 adults from the state of Kansas were interviewed by SurveyUSA 11/10/20 through 11/16/20, exclusively for the Kansas Policy Institute

> Only **25%** of Kansas 10th graders are on track for college and career in math and only **27%** in English

MORE MONEY IS NOT HELPING STUDENTS ACHIEVE

> Low-income students are more than **two grade levels behind** their peers

VOTERS WANT SCHOOLS TO OPEN



only **12%** of voters feel remote or hybrid learning is providing an education that is just as good as in-person, full-time learning

TOTAL EDUCATION FUNDING IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE BY \$239 MILLION

Per-pupil funding is estimated to be 9% higher than last year at **\$16,216** per-student

Source: Kansas Department of Education

WHAT'S THE SOLUTION FOR KANSAS?

✓ **ACCOUNTABILITY**
Money-follow-the-child programs for students below grade level on the state assessment

✓ **TRANSPARENCY**
A-F Grading of each public school

✓ **CHOICE** Scholarships for low-income & disabled students and a robust charter school system

