

# 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 **28%** in Reading

### 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

