



IMPROVING
STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT
BY CHANGING ADULT BEHAVIORS

Kansas School Board Resource Center | First Annual Conference
November 8, 2023 | Hyatt Regency Hotel in Wichita

7:30 AM	Breakfast	
8:00 AM	Welcome	Ward Cassidy
8:10 AM	Student Achievement Update	Dave Trabert
8:30 AM	Why School Boards Fail & How Yours Can Succeed	AJ Crabill
10:30 AM	Break	
10:45 AM	You Don't Need a Majority to be Successful	Dr. Kelly Kohls
11:15 AM	KOMA and KORA for School Board Members	Matt Bingesser
Noon	Lunch	
12:30 PM	Meet SEL Requirements by Building Character	Dr. Troy Pitsch
1:15 PM	Reading Failure is Solvable with the Science of Reading	Dr. David Hurford
3:15 PM	Break	
3:30 PM	Teacher Preparation Among Kansas Universities in the Science of Reading	Shannon Holston
4:00 PM	How to Hire a Superintendent	Bob Merritt
4:30 PM	How can KSBRC Help?	Ward Cassidy
5:00 PM	Adjourn	

SESSION TOPICS

WHY SCHOOL BOARDS FAIL, HOW YOURS CAN SUCCEED



AJ CRABILL

The author of *Great on Their Behalf* will discuss why most school boards fail at improving student achievement and take the audience through a training session to help them become more successful.

YOU DON'T NEED A MAJORITY TO BE SUCCESSFUL



DR. KELLY KOHLS

When Dr. Kohls joined the Springboro Schools Board of Education, the majority of the board had a different focus. She explains how she helped other board members shift their orientation to improving student achievement.

MEET SEL REQUIREMENTS BY BUILDING CHARACTER



DR. TROY PITSCH

The superintendent, staff, and students of USD 329 Wabaunsee explain how they have improved outcomes by building character with lessons from "The Leader in Me" curriculum.

READING FAILURE IS SOLVABLE WITH THE SCIENCE OF READING



DR. DAVID HURFORD

The executive director of the Center for Research, Evaluation, and Awareness of Dyslexia (Center for READING) at Pittsburg State University explains why teachers must understand how to teach students to read using the science of reading.

HOW TO HIRE A SUPERINTENDENT



BOB MERRITT

A lifelong educator helps school board members understand how to select a superintendent who will improve student achievement.

TEACHER PREPARATION IN THE SCIENCE OF READING AMONG KANSAS UNIVERSITIES



SHANNON HOLSTON

The Chief of Policy and Programs for the National Council on Teacher Quality reviews the findings of their study of universities in Kansas and other states on teacher preparation in effective literacy instruction.

KOMA AND KORA FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

MATT BINGESSER

A representative of the Kansas Attorney General's office discusses what school board members need to know about the Kansas Open Meetings Act and the Kansas Open Records Act.

HOW CAN KSBRC HELP YOU



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The executive director of the Kansas School Board Resource Center leads an audience discussion to examine what school board members need to be more effective in their role.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT UPDATE



DAVE TRABERT

A recap of the 2023 results from ACT and the Kansas state assessment from the CEO of Kansas Policy Institute.