

Approved February 15, 1989
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The meeting was called to order by VICE-CHAIRPERSON SHEILA FRAHM at
Chairperson

1:30 ~~xxx~~ p.m. on Tuesday, February 14, 19 89 in room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Jack Steineger, excused

Committee staff present:

Mr. Ben Barrett, Legislative Research Department
Mrs. Avis Swartzman, Revisor's Office
Mrs. Millie Randell, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Education Update - Preschool Handicapped

Ms. Betty Weithers, Department of Education, State of Kansas
Ms. Carol Dermeyer, Department of Education, State of Kansas
Dr. Virginia Tucker, Department of Health and Environment,
State of Kansas

After calling the meeting to order, Vice-chairperson Sheila Frahm referred the Committee's attention to the main subject of today's meeting, "Education Update - Preschool Handicapped". She introduced representatives of the Kansas Department of Education, Ms. Betty Weithers and Ms. Carol Dermeyer, and Dr. Virginia Tucker of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, who presented an overview of services being provided to preschool handicapped students/children and explained how federal and state laws and funding have influenced services to the preschool handicapped. Reference was made to a new project being developed to identify and service children 0-2 years of age with handicaps or at risk for developmental delays. (Attachments 1, 2, 3, and 4)

Chairman Joseph C. Harder recognized Dr. Stanley Koplik, Executive Director, State Board of Regents. Dr. Koplik requested that the Committee introduce a bill relating to selective admissions. Senator Allen moved and Senator Kerr seconded the motion for the Committee to introduce a bill as requested by Dr. Koplik. The motion carried, and the Chairman announced that the Committee would introduce a bill as requested by Dr. Koplik.

Senator Allen moved and Senator Kerr seconded a motion to approve minutes of the meetings of January 30, January 31, and February 8. The motion carried.

The Chairman referred the Committee's attention to SB 12, establishing the Kansas ethnic minority scholarship program, which had been requested by the Board of Regents and heard previously by the Committee. He asked the Committee if it wished to adopt some proposed amendments which had been recommended to him by Ms. Clantha McCurdy, Director of Financial Aid, Board of Regents, and Mr. Ted Ayres, General Counsel, Board of Regents. The Chairman called upon Ms. Avis Swartzman, revisor of statutes, to identify the language changes which had been requested. Following Ms. Swartzman's explanation of the changes, request was made by the Committee to have the suggested amendments in writing for Committee review before voting upon them. Ms. Swartzman replied that she would provide the Committee with copies of the changes requested.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting.

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

TIME: 1:30 p.m. PLACE: 123-S DATE: Tuesday, February 14, 1989

GUEST LIST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>
Kay Coles	Topeka	K-NEA
Craig Grant	Topeka	H-NEA
Judith Ann Dwyer	Wichita	USD 259
Carol Dwyer	Topeka	KSDE
Virginia L. Tucker, M.D.	Topeka	KDNE
Judy A. Melen	Topeka	Coordinating Council ECDS
Ken Ragg	Topeka	SQ&E
Mike Lechner	Topeka	KACEW/DHR
Mike Ottard	"	"
Ed PRBER	OSAWATOMIE	INDIVIDUAL
Chuck Stuart	Topeka	USA
Jim Youally	Overland Park	USD #512
Pat Miller	Topeka	D.B.
Cindy Kelly	Topeka	KASB
Wm. J. Kuhn	Topeka	Board of Regents
Bill Musick	Mennegolis	St. Bd of Ed
Betty Wuthrus	Topeka	St Bd of Ed
Bill Curtis	Topeka	Ks. Assoc. of School Bds
Deanne Axt	Topeka	gov. office

Infant/Toddler Program Fact Sheet (PL 99-457)
 Services for Children With Special Health Care Needs
 Kansas Department of Health and Environment (Lead Agency)

GOALS Enhance development of children 0-2 with handicaps or at risk for developmental delays. Promote each child reaching fullest potential, greatest independence possible. Reduce need for institutionalization, special education and related services. Enhance the capacity of families. Facilitate coordination for payment for early intervention services.

ACTIVITIES Support of the Coordinating Council of Early Childhood Development Services, the toll free operator (Make A Difference Information Network 1-800-332-6262) and the model demonstration projects. Develop definitions, policies and guidelines for statewide activities. Seven model demonstration projects were chosen for funding by the "request-for-funding" process. These sites will identify and serve children 0-2 years of age with handicaps or at risk for developmental delays.

SERVICES Services provided may include: (1) identification of developmental delays through assessment of cognitive, physical, language, speech and psychosocial development; (2) family training, speech pathology and audiology, occupational and physical therapy, psychological, case management, nutrition, nursing and social work services.

TIMELINE The program began in September 1987. It is anticipated that through development, implementation, monitoring and training, a high quality, comprehensive statewide coordinated, multidisciplinary, interagency, community based system will be operational in 5 years.

SITES Second year model demonstration project locations and points of contact are:
 Sandra Squibb, ECH Coordinator, Project BRITE Start, Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center, 210 S. Range, Suite 126, Colby, KS 67701; (913) 462-8282 x38.
 Nancie Linville, Project Director, Russell Child Development Center, 714 Ballinger, Garden City, KS 67846; (316) 275-0291.
 Valerie Line, Project Coordinator, Special Beginnings, Early Education Center, 303 E. Bigger, Hutchinson, KS 67504-0399; (316) 663-2671.
 Darrel D. Newkirk, MD, MPH, Kansas City, KS-Wyandotte County Health Department, 619 Ann Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas 66101; (913) 321-4803.
 Mary-Rita Spooner, Program Coordinator, Early S.T.A.R.T. Program, Department of Human Development and Family Studies, Kansas State University, Justin Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506; (913) 532-5510.
 Virginia Walker, Project Director, McKIDS, Hope Preschool, 1106 Hospital Drive, McPherson, KS 67460; (316) 241-7377.
 Phil Rust, Assistant Director, REACH Preschool Developmental Center, RR #1, Box 123, Winfield, KS 67156; (316) 221-1200 x341.

STATE PROGRAM Several Kansas Department of Health and Environment programs offer services to children/families also served by the Infant/Toddler Program:

Program	Contact Name	Tel. #
Services for Children With Special Health Care Needs	Cassie Lauver	296-1313
Healthy Start Program	MaryAnn Humphries	296-1234
Maternal and Infant Program	Rita Kay Ryan	296-1306
Perinatal Program	Jim Heidebrecht	296-1308
WIC Nutrition Program	Roni Beshears	296-1321
Family Planning	Steve McDowell	296-1303
Health & Environment Education:		
1. Films	Alvena Widner	296-1215
2. Literature	Gladys Bloomfield	296-1214
Health Promotion	Jenny Ransom	296-1227
Immunizations	David Miller	296-5593

State Infant/Toddler Program points of contact are:
 Aleta Ash, PL99-457 Infant/Toddler Program Coordinator 296-6136
 Lori Michel, Speech, Language, Vision, Hearing Coord. 296-6134
 Bureau of MCH, Landon State Office Bldg., 10th Floor,
 900 SW Jackson, Topeka, KS 66612-1290.

KANSAS STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

SUMMARY OF APPROVED AND FUNDED
PL 99-457, Title I, Part H, Demonstration Projects, Year Two

1. McPherson County

The county commission serves in the leadership role of the demonstration model which developed at the request of a parent group of an ongoing family program for infants and toddlers with special needs in McPherson County using local multidisciplinary, interagency coordinated services. Activities in year one include development of a coordinating council, development of forms and procedures, purchase of equipment, enrollment of 11 families and activities in public awareness and process evaluation. Activities in year two involve the addition of 19 more infants/children and their families, continuing to refine activities begun in year one and incorporating nutrition screening and consultation. Extension of the program to surrounding counties is anticipated. McPherson is the only grant that requested less money than the previous year as the result of passage of county mil support.

2. Early Education Center/Reno County Health Department

The proposal unites the Reno County Health Department and the Early Education Center in the development and extension of existent services starting with prenatal tracking and intervention in addition to follow-up of at-risk infants and toddlers currently being served by the health department. Accomplishments of year one include a written and signed interagency agreement, hiring of a project coordinator, formation of an interdisciplinary team, establishment of criteria for referrals of infants from the hospital, institution of a case management system, provision of 15 openings for children (served 6) and formalized operation procedures. Intentions for year two include continuation of year one services, completion of an advisory board, development of IFSP protocol, establishment of a longitudinal computerized data system, service to 15 additional children and their families, dissemination of program promotion information in the community and continued pursuit of alternate funding.

3. Russell Child Development Center

The project demonstrates a model of an expanded private, nonprofit organization serving birth through two year olds with special health care needs and their families. During year one they developed professional training, created or updated interagency teams in two area cities, developed IFSP forms, provided services and public awareness activities. During year two the grantee proposes to expand the tracking and identification process, provide services to 80 additional children with the IFSP, track 60 at risk children for potential need, continue professional training and public awareness activities.

4. REACH Preschool Developmental Center

REACH Preschool serves both at risk and diagnosed developmentally delayed infants and toddlers to age three and their families as an expansion of established services located on the campus of Winfield State Hospital. Services will be extended to 35 new children during year two. Through utilization of the case manager/Community Service Coordinator hired in year one concerted effort will be made to implement a community awareness campaign and an early identification system. Evidence of community investment in the project has been demonstrated in year one through purchase of furniture. Establishment of a lending library of equipment, books and toys as a family resource will combine community and grant support in year two. A parent involved advisory council and transition plan within the project exists.

5. Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center

The program serves 11 counties in Northwest Kansas. During year one, activity has focused on development and implementation of the DAKOTA (home-based family centered program developed in Minnesota) and CAP (computer assisted match of materials and methods in individual child's needs) for families living a long distance from the center. Since the proposal is an extension of an existing educational program, during year two further attempts will be made to increase medical and ancillary community awareness and participation to achieve early identification and intervention of special need infants, toddlers, and their families. The family oriented program utilizes unique program methodology to extend services to a very rural, geographically scattered population. Local and regional hospitals will be encouraged to increase referrals so that at risk infants and infants identified with special health care needs will receive services from the project.

6. Kansas State University/Riley County

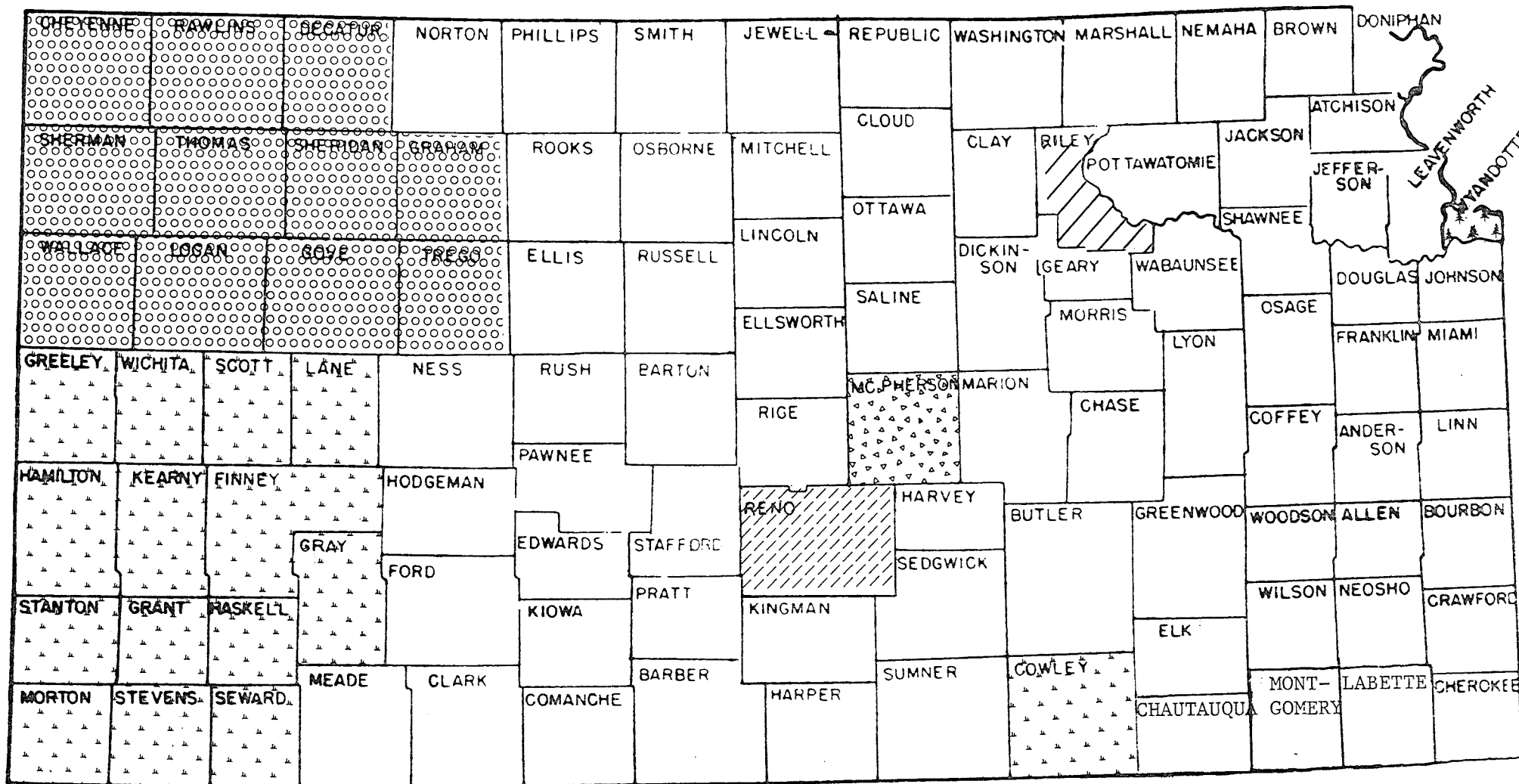
The project proposes early identification and follow-up of high risk newborns. A standardized reporting form is used. Comprehensive, multidisciplinary evaluations and development of an individual family support plan (IFSP) will precede intervention and parent training activities. A professional interagency council both advise and provide voluntary professional team services to the monthly evaluation clinics. In addition to comprehensive routine evaluation provided all children and their families, the group will be divided to test the value of in-depth developmental and nutritional guidance training to parents. Medical input will come from two private pediatricians and the health department. The projected number of infants to be served in year two is 100. Computer database information can be linked to KSU mainframe for statistical analysis.

7. Wyandotte County Community Based High Risk Infant Identification and Follow-up Project

A demonstration project administered through the Kansas City-Wyandotte County Health Department in collaboration with CRU/KUMC and Wyandotte County Special Education will develop health services and follow-up of high risk medically fragile infants, toddlers and their families. Development of an effective interagency interdisciplinary, family centered system will provide a linkage to provide services to identified needs within the local community. Education of health professionals concerning the child's needs and empowering families with the responsibility for continued care will be given top priority. Whereas year one grants were rural, this grant was selected as a demonstration model project in an urban setting (>30,000 population).

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

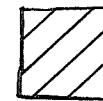
LOCATIONS OF YEAR TWO INFANT/TODDLER PROGRAM
 PL99-457 MODEL DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS, 1988/89



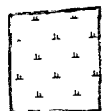
County Commission (McPherson)



Education Service Center (Colby)



Kansas State University (Manhattan)



Developmental Centers (Garden City, Winfield)



Health Department (Kansas City)



Early Educational Center (Hutchinson)

Fiscal Year 1988 Part B Education of the Handicapped Act Projects for Preschool Handicapped

Project #8603 provided services to 93 preschool handicapped students in center based classrooms and to 17 students in a home based program. Three hundred eighty-six (386) children were screened by a Developmental Screening Clinic. Prior to the project, only 160 children were screened annually and there were no early intervention programs.

The Developmental Screening Clinic component of **Project #8604** made a home based program available to all area hearing impaired children ages birth to six. The program was designed to develop the skills for maximum hearing, to stimulate speech and language, to promote assimilation of the child into the family unit, and to provide a number of support services to families. Nineteen (19) Hearing impaired infants, toddlers, and preschool students and their families received direct services.

Project #8608 provided an on going preschool program for 16 developmentally delayed students. Follow-up of children served by the project in the 1986-87 school years showed that of the five students who "graduated" into the LEA's kindergarten, three are functioning successfully without the aid of special education services.

Evaluation of the students served through **Project #8702** was accomplished by an analysis of IEP objectives. Thirty-five percent (35%) of the students' objectives were met successfully and 60% of the objectives indicated that improvement had been made. The LEA plans to follow their preschool handicapped through 4th grade to determine the extent of change resulting from the early intervention.

Project #8612 was funded in support of a goal of the State Plan for Early Childhood Developmental Services, i.e. to establish regional services coordination capabilities throughout the state. This project promoted collaborative interagency action planning, regional compliance with state initiatives regarding registry and tracking systems, and cross agency referral for needed services. A 30 county area of western Kansas was provided services by two coordinators. Nine hundred twenty (920) children and their families were served.

Project #8703 served 22 preschool students. The program is 80% center based and 20% home based with the staff doing home visits one day a week to work directly with parents on IEP objectives. Six students will be returning to the program in FY 1990. Three "graduates" will enter Regular kindergarten; eight will require some special education support. The remaining three students left the district.

Project #8704 provided services for 63 preschool children. Referrals by community agencies and physicians have increased as a result of the project. Periodic appraisal of students growth was provided regularly to parents. Parents also were encouraged to participate in a support group which was given information and training regarding the needs of handicapped children.

Nineteen students received services through **Project 8804**. All of these children received comprehensive evaluations and met criteria for placement. Fourteen students attended a special class while five others received speech therapy at their local attendance centers. Follow up of the students receiving preschool services during the 1986-87 school year showed that all nine placed in regular kindergarten remained in that setting without further special education intervention.

Eight students were served by **Project #8813**. The program is now an established part of the Marshall County Education Cooperative and is fully funded by local effort and traditional special education funding sources. A classroom in an elementary building currently under construction has been designated as the future site for the preschool.

Project #8815 served 27 preschool age students. Three center-based public school programs were established and a fourth site was located and equipped for the 1988-89 school year. A fifth half day program has been established since grant funds were terminated.

FISCAL YEAR 1988 PROJECTS FOR PRESCHOOL HANDICAPPED

8603	USD 500	Wyandotte County	Improvement of Preschool	67,000
8604	USD 259	Wichita	Preschool Hearing Impaired	14,400
8608	USD 405	Rice County	Preschool Handicapped	14,890
8612	INT 602	NKEC	Western Ks. Regional Coord	35,126
8702	INT 616	Doniphan County	Preschool Handicapped	16,900
8703	INT 619	Sumner County	Interagency Preschool	19,800
8704	INT 607	Tri County	Project REACH	23,068
8813	USD 364	Marysville	Marshall County Preschool	19,200
8814	USD 379	Clay Center	Project EXTEND	55,000
8815	USD 325	Phillipsburg	R-COPE	52,500
			Total	\$317,884

PART B, E.H.A.

FISCAL YEAR 1989 PROJECTS FOR PRESCHOOL HANDICAPPED

PO189	INT 605	South Central KS Coop	Interagency Preschool Project	24,240
PO289	USD 259	Wichita	Preschool Project	41,100
PO389	INT 608	Atchison/Jefferson Coop	Preschool Start-Up Project	35,500
PO489	USD 349	Stafford County	Child Development Center	16,340
PO589	USD 273	Beloit	Preschool Handicapped	42,010
PO689	USD 453	Leavenworth	Early Childhood Handicapped Program	50,000
8901	USD 500	Wyandotte County	At Risk Infant/Toddler Program	<u>30,000</u>

TOTAL \$239,190

PRESCHOOL SERVICES FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN 1988-89

Served 1988-89

	<u>P.L. 99-457</u>	<u>P.L. 89-313</u>
3 year olds	361	217
4 year olds	761	259
5 year olds	<u>1,890</u>	<u>206</u>
Total	2,967	682

To Be Served

	<u>Total Population</u>	<u>In Need</u>	<u>Served PL 99-457</u>	<u>Served PL 89-313</u>	<u>Unserved</u>
3 year olds	39,000(4%)	1,560	336	217	1,007
4 year olds	<u>39,000(4%)</u>	<u>1,560</u>	<u>690</u>	<u>259</u>	<u>431</u>
	78,000	3,120	1,026	476	1,438

PROGRAMS PROVIDING EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION
 FY89 PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAMS

AGENCY

CITY/STATE/ZIP

ANW Special Education Cooperative	Humboldt, KS 66748
Atchison-Jefferson Education Coop	Oskaloosa, KS 66066
Barton County Coop Program of Sp.Serv.	Great Bend, KS 6753
Butler Co. Sch. Board Council Ed. Coop	El Dorado, KS 67042
Central KS Coop. in Education	Salina, KS 67401
Comprehensive Special Ed. Coop.	Hays, KS 67601
Comprehensive Special Services Coop.	Olathe, KS 66061
Coffey Co. Coop Program for Sp.Serv.	Burlington, KS 66839
Cowley County Special Ed. Coop.	Winfield, KS 67156
Doniphan County Education Coop	Bendena, KS 66008
East Central KS Coop in Education	Baldwin City, KS 66006
Flint Hills Special Education Coop.	Emporia, KS 66801
Harvey County Special Ed. Coop.	Newton, KS 67114
High Plains Educational Coop.	Ulysses, KS 67880
Holton Special Education Coop	Holton, KS 66436
Kansas State School for the Deaf	Olathe, KS 66061
Kaw Valley Special Services	Rossville, KS 66533
Learning Coop. of North Central Kansas	Concordia, KS 66901
Marion County Special Ed. Coop.	Marion, KS 66861
McPherson County KS Coop. Special Ed.	McPherson, KS 67460
Northwest Kansas Educational Coop.	Colby, KS 67701
N. Central KS Special Education Coop.	Glade, KS 67639
Reno County Ed. Coop., INT Dist.#610	Hutchinson, KS 67501
Rice County Special Services Coop	Lyons, KS 67554
Sedgwick Co. Area Spec. Ed. Coop	Goddard, KS 67052
So. Central KS Special Education Coop	Iuka, KS 67066
Southeast KS Regional Ed. Serv. Center	Girard, KS 66743
Southeast KS Special Education Coop.	Pittsburg, KS 66762
Southwest KS Area Cooperative District	Dodge City, KS 67801
Special Services Coop. of Wamego	Wamego, KS 66547
Stafford Co. Child Development Ctr.	St. John, KS 67576
Sumner County Education Serv.,INT 619	Wellington, KS 67152
Three Lakes Special Education Coop.	Lydon, KS 66451
Tri-County Special Education Coop	Independence, KS 67301
Twin Lakes Educational Cooperative	Clay Center, KS 67432
Wyandotte County Special Ed. Coop.	Kansas City, KS 66101

PROGRAMS PROVIDING EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION
 FY89 PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAMS

AGENCY	CITY/STATE/ZIP
USD 229 Special Education Services	Stanley, KS 66223
USD 234 Special Education Services	Fort Scott, KS 66701
USD 259 Special Education Services	Wichita, KS 67202
USD 261 Special Education Services	Haysville, KS 67060
USD 273 Special Education Services	Beloit, KS 67420
USD 290 Special Education Services	Ottawa, KS 66067
USD 308 Special Education Services	Hutchison, KS 67501
USD 345 Special Education Services	Topeka, KS 66608
USD 364 Special Education Services	Marysville, KS 66508
USD 383 Manhattan Special Education	Manhattan, KS 66502
USD 389 Special Education Services	Eureka, KS 67045
USD 407 Special Education Services	Russell, KS 67665
USD 453 Early Childhood Handicapped	Leavenworth, KS 66048
USD 457 Special Education Services	Garden City, KS 67846
USD 497 Special Education Services	Lawrence, KS 66046
USD 501 Special Education Services	Topeka, KS 66611
USD 512 Special Education Services	Shawnee Mission, KS 66204

Additional Non-Public Preschools:

		Cooperating District
Chikaskia Area Training Center	Medicine Lodge, KS 67104	#605
Developmental Services of NW KS (Kids-Link)	Stockton, KS 67669	#325
Futures Unlimited	Wellington, KS 67152	#619
Parsons Regional Early Education Program	Parsons, KS 67357	#607
REACH Preschool	Columbus, KS 66725	#607
Tri-Valley Developmental Center	Chanute, KS 66720	#603 & #234

February 13, 1989

Status of Special Education Mandate for Preschool Age Children with Handicapping Conditions

KSA 72-933 and 72-966 require the board of every school district to provide special education for all exceptional children. *Exceptional children* means persons who are school age, to be determined by the state board in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the state board (KSA 72-962).

The regulation now in effect defines school age as beginning at *the age at which the local board of education provides educational services for non-exceptional children* (KAR 91-12-22). Because all school districts provide kindergarten, The special education mandate applies to students who are five years old as of September 1 of the school year. Although equalization aid is generated by handicapped students who are three and four years old, special education services for this age group currently are not mandated.

The Education of the Handicapped Act was amended in 1986 by PL 99-457. One of the provisions of this amendment (Section 619) authorized the payment of incentive funds to states to provide services to handicapped children ages three to five. Any state which does not have in effect a policy requiring the provision of these services by 1991 will not be eligible for any federal monies targeted at the three to five year old handicapped population.