

Guiding Principles

The school finance discussion is rooted in the guiding principles developed by the participants and by the Kansas State Board of Education's new vision statement- *Kansas Can* and mission statement. Guiding Principles were written at the first meeting and have been revisited at each statewide meeting to check for agreement.

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Every public school student in Kansas will have an equal opportunity to be college and career ready, as defined by the Rose Standards;

Some students will require greater supports to meet standards;

Funding to districts must be directly related to what it costs to educate each individual student;

Any formula must meet constitutional requirements for equity and adequacy;

The formula should recognize local control and provide funding of educational services; and,

The Legislature and school districts need budgeting predictability.