

August 2020

Dear Students, Parents, and Patrons:

Please find below the annual notifications required by law. You need to read and be aware of the policies on inoculations, directory information, asbestos, drug free schools and communities, parents' right to know and annual discrimination statement.

POLICY ON INOCULATIONS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING USD 496

Health Assessments – As required by current law all students shall submit evidence that they have undergone an appropriate health assessment prior to entering kindergarten or before enrolling in the district for the first time.

Students who fail to provide documentation that they have completed a health assessment as required by law may be excluded from school by the Superintendent until legal requirements are satisfied. Notice of exclusion shall be given to the parents/guardians as prescribed by law. Parents/guardians shall also be given notice that they may request a hearing on the issue.

KANSAS LAW

- (a) The school board of every school affected by this act may exclude from school attendance, or by policy adopted by any such school board authorize any certificated employee or committee of certificated employees to exclude from school attendance, any pupil who has not complied with the requirements of K.S.A. 72-5209. The policy shall include provisions for written notice to be given to the parent or guardian of the involved pupil. The notice shall (1) indicate the reason for the exclusion from school attendance, (2) state that the pupil shall continue to be excluded until the pupil has complied with the requirements of K.S.A. 72-5209, and (3) inform the parent or guardian that a hearing thereon shall be afforded the parent or guardian upon request therefore.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

Traci Nuckolls is the custodian of educational records that gives annual public notice of the class of records USD 496 has designated as directory information.

ASBESTOS

USD 496 has an asbestos management plan. The plan is located at USD 496 District Office and is accessible to parents, students, and employees upon request.

DRUG FREE SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES

The information and mandatory compliance laws are printed in the USD 496 Student Handbook.

REMINDER – PARENTS RIGHT TO KNOW

Parents may request information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers, including, at a minimum, the following:

- Whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
- The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree; and
- Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualification

ANNUAL DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

Elementary and secondary school student, employees, applicants for admission and employment, and sources of referral of applicants for admission and employment are hereby notified that Unified School District 496, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap/disability, age, or religion in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities. Any person having inquiries concerning USD 496's compliance with the regulation implementing Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI), Title IX of the Education amendments of 1972 (Title IX), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504) or Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) is directed to contact the ADA and Section 504 Coordinator, Mr. Casey Robinson Supt. PO Box 98 Rozel, KS 67574; 620-527-4212.