



Kansas Multi-Tier System of Supports

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Kansas MTSS Leadership Structure

MTSS Leadership Team

Role & Responsibility

To provide leadership and facilitate policy-level changes to support implementation of effective educational practices including the following tasks:

- Ensure alignment of KSDE policies and practices and MTSS
- Review Transformation Team work and documents to ensure alignment
- Ensure communication within their respective teams about alignment of all efforts

Membership

Diane DeBacker – (chair) KSDE Interim Commissioner of Education

Pam Coleman – KSDE Director Teacher Education & Licensure
Diane DeBacker – KSDE Deputy Commissioner, Learning Services
Dale Dennis – KSDE Deputy Commissioner, Fiscal & Administrative Services
Julie Ford – KSDE Director Title Programs & Services
Tom Foster – KSDE Director Standards & Assessment Services
Kathy Gosa – KSDE Director Information Technology
Brad Neuenswander – KSDE Director School Finance
Ron Nitcher – KSDE Fiscal Services & Operations
Colleen Riley – (facilitator) KSDE Director of Special Education Services

MTSS Transformation Team

Role & Responsibility

To ensure consistency and support for the statewide MTSS effort by:

- Chair responsible for ensuring communication with Leadership Team
- Ensure communication between their respective groups about the State MTSS effort
- Establish alignment of all efforts
- Establish and support workgroups to complete specific time limited tasks
- Identify topics to be addressed by advisory group

Membership

Leadership Team (Chair) – Colleen Riley

MTSS Core Team Early Childhood – Margy Hornback
Improvement & Innovation – RJ Dake
KPIRC- Jane Groff
Research & Evaluation – Gay Parish
School Finance - Brad Neuenswander
Title Programs – Laura Jones
Special Education - Deborah Matthews

MTSS Core Team Academics – James Baker

MTSS Core Team (Facilitator)- Kevin Davis

Information Technology – Linda Smith

PTI - Connie Zienkewicz

MTSS Core Team School wide PBS –Jason Jones

Standards & Assessment – Joyce Huser

Teacher Education & Licensure – Kathy Boyer

MTSS Advisory Team

Role & Responsibility

The membership provides ongoing stakeholder input to Leadership and Transformation Teams. Input includes giving feedback on actions of Transformation Team as well as suggestions for actions to be taken by Leadership and Transformation Teams. Partners provide input and leverage resources to support the State MTSS efforts.

Membership

James Baker (Chair and facilitator) – MTSS Core Team [Academics/Leadership]

Pat Anderson – Geary County Schools, Assistant Superintendent

Shonda Anderson – KIPBS, High School Special Education and Behavior

Denise Brown – Smoky Hill Service Center, MTSS Recognized Facilitator & Elementary Special Education

Gillian Chapman – Shawnee Mission, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Schools

Diane DeBacker – Deputy Commissioner, MTSS Leadership Team

Stan Dodds – Geary County Schools, Principal Middle School

Duane Dorshorst – Oberlin, Superintendent

Kelli Dossett – McPherson, Reading Specialist & MTSS Recognized Facilitator

Samantha Glover – Haysville, Principal High School

Misty Goosen – MTSS Core Team [Early Childhood]

Neil Guthrie – Wichita, Director of Special Education

Heath Hogan – Garden City, Principal Elementary School & Reading First

Rick Johnson – Salina, Counselor and Behavior

Brian Jordan – Emporia, District Administration

Pam Leiker – West Elk, Principal Elementary and Recognized MTSS Facilitator

Dawn Miller – Shawnee Mission, MTSS Coordinator

Linda Proehl – Parsons, Assistant Superintendent

Denise Seguire – Wichita, Assistant Superintendent

Curt Squire – Southeast (Cherokee), Principal Elementary

Christi Whitter – Gardner, Principal Elementary

Partners

Cambian Learning/Sopris- Steve Kukic

Jones Institute for Educational Excellence – Larry Clark

Kansas National Education Association – Terry Forsyth

Kansas State University Equity Center – Katherine Sprott

Keystone Learning Service Center – Linda Aldridge

Mountain Plains Regional Resource Center/Mid-Continent Comprehensive Center – Wayne Ball

National RtI Center/University of Kansas – Melinda McKnight

National Association of State Directors of Special Education – Bill East

Pittsburg State University – Ann George

Southwest Plains Regional Service Center – Kelly Gillespie

Kansas State Department of Education State Professional Development Grant (SPDG)

Kansas State Department of Education Safe and Drug Free Schools

MTSS Core Team

Role & Responsibility

Builds and supports capacity within the statewide system of Recognized MTSS Facilitators. This is done through:

- Training and Coaching of all Recognized MTSS Facilitators.
- Development of materials to support Recognized MTSS Facilitators and schools during structuring and implementation.

Membership

James Baker	Tracie Kalic
Crystal Davis	Melanie Manares
Kevin Davis	Deb McVey
Misty Goosen	Judy Rockley
Margy Hornback	Susan Sipe
Jason Jones	Mary Veerkamp
Laura Jones	Todd Wiedemann

Recognized MTSS Facilitators

Role & Responsibility

Provide training, facilitation, and ongoing support to schools across Kansas during structuring, implementation, and refinement of MTSS within their schools.

Membership

Current list of Recognized MTSS Facilitators is at www.kansasmtss.org