



# 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 Commissioner of Education***

Pam Coleman – KSDE Director Teacher Education & Licensure

Brad Neuenswander – KSDE Deputy Commissioner, Learning & Innovative 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

– 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 –

School Finance - Brad Neuenswander

Title Programs –

MTSS Core Team Academics – James Baker

MTSS Core Team (Facilitator) - Kevin Davis

Information Technology – Linda Smith

PTI - Connie Zienkewicz

MTSS Core Team School wide PBIS –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 –

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	Deb McVey
Denise Brown	Vincent Omni
Kevin Davis	Judy Rockley
Misty Goosen	Susan Sipe
Sandy Guidry	Mary Veerkamp
Jason Jones	Todd Wiedemann
Laura Jones	

## **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](http://www.kansasmtss.org)