

USD 347 Enrollment & Projection & Nonresident Enrollment Report

Per K.S.A [72-3123](#), [72-3124](#), and [72-3126](#), before May 1st of each year, the superintendent of schools or designee will develop and submit a recommendation to the board of education declaring the projected enrollment and number of open seats available to nonresident students. By June 1 of each year, the district will publish on its website, at a minimum, the number of students expected to attend the district in the next school year and the number of open seats available to nonresident students. Included in this report are recommended actions the board of education is asked to take to fulfill such a statutory requirement.

Enrollment Projection Determination

Outlined in this report is a collection of data and considerations used to prepare a recommendation to the board of education to approve enrollment projections and the number of seats available to nonresident students.

Table 1.1-Current Student Enrollment based on September 20th Official Data

School	TTL	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Pre-K	34													
KOES	120	20	19	17	20	23	21							
KJSHS	151							18	21	24	27	20	19	22
TOTAL	305	20	19	17	20	23	21	18	21	24	27	20	19	22

Table 1.2-Historical Student Enrollment based on September 20th Official Data

	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26
Pre-K	40	31	18	34	26	20	19	16
Kindergarten	20	26	22	20	16	20	18	22
1st Grade	21	20	24	19	17	19	17	17
2nd Grade	24	20	19	17	20	17	15	16
3rd Grade	20	25	15	20	24	20	13	16
4th Grade	27	21	23	23	19	23	18	15
5th Grade	18	28	19	21	17	21	19	15
6th Grade	24	21	26	18	21	18	22	26
7th Grade	26	27	19	21	22	21	14	21
8th Grade	25	28	22	24	30	24	19	17
9th Grade	27	22	24	27	23	27	24	21
10th	23	26	17	20	21	20	22	24

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Grade								
11th Grade	22	23	25	19	23	19	19	22
12th Grade	25	18	20	22	17	22	15	16
Total Bldg Cnt	342	336	293	305	296	291	254	264
Total Difference		-6	-43	12	-9	-5	-37	10
% Difference		-1.79%	-14.68%	3.93%	-3.04%	-1.72%	-14.57%	3.79%

Other Enrollment Considerations

It is critical that the district maintains a student-teacher ratio that maximizes learning while remaining fiscally responsible. Additionally, the district must maintain appropriate physical space to efficiently and effectively educate students. The physical spaces may include, but are not limited to classrooms, hallways, commons areas, dining, playground, parking, and offices. District goals for the appropriate student enrollment range for each district school is outlined in Table 1.3.

Table 1.3-District Enrollment Goals

		Student-Teacher Ratio Goal (PK-5)/Grade Cohort Goal (6-12)												
School	Recomm. Capacity	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Pre-K	15 per class x 2 (30)													
KOES	129	20	20	20	23	23	23							
KJSHS	189							27	27	27	27	27	27	27
TOTAL	382	20	20	20	23	23	23	27	27	27	27	27	27	27

Student Enrollment Projections and Capacity

Enrollment projections incorporate all of the data identified in this report to the best of our ability and in order to operate at maximum effectiveness and efficiency.

Table 1.4 - 2026-2027 Enrollment Projections

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KOES	102	16	22	17	16	16	15							
Middle School	62							15	26	21				
High School	84										17	21	24	22
TOTAL	263	16	20	16	15	19	23	20	13	21	25	24	19	19

Table 1.5a 2026-2027 Nonresident Student Enrollment Capacity (with limited capacity)

		Grade Level												
School	TTL Cnt	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Pre-K	15- 4yo 15-3 yo													
KOES	180	30	30	30	30	30	30							
Middle School	90							30	30	30				
High School	120										30	30	30	30
TOTAL	420	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30

Table 1.5b 2026-2027 Nonresident Student Enrollment Capacity (with open capacity)

		Grade Level												
School	TTL Cnt	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Pre-K	UNL													
KOES	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL							
Middle School	UNL							UNL	UNL	UNL				
High School	UNL										UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL
TOTAL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL	UNL

Recommendation

The superintendent of schools recommends the USD 347 board of education adopt the student enrollment projection in Table 1.4 and decide the nonresident enrollment seats in the grades and schools identified in Table 1.5a or 1.5b in this report.

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To be posted on the website:

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Table 1.4 - 2026-2027 Enrollment Projections

		Grade Level												
School	TTL Cnt	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Pre-K	11-4yo 4-3yo													
KOES	102	16	22	17	16	16	15							
Middle School	62							15	26	21				
High School	84										17	21	24	22
TOTAL	263	16	20	16	15	19	23	20	13	21	25	24	19	19

Nonresident Student Enrollment Capacity

USD #347 will have limited capacity to accept nonresident students for the 2026-2027 school year. Based on the projected enrollment and capacity to operate effectively, USD #347 will accept nonresident students as outlined in the table below. The district reserves the right to assign nonresident students to a school and the process for selection is outlined below. Students living outside of the USD #347 boundary must formally apply for nonresident enrollment and use the application linked below which will be available on or before June 1, 2026. The completed application must be received by no later than June 30, 2026. Applications may also be picked up and returned to the USD #347 District Office at 120 W. 8th in Kinsley. All questions about nonresident enrollment shall be directed to Dr. Lori Amaro, 620-659-3646, or lamaro@usd347.org.

Selection Process

by May 1 District capacity determined
by June 1 District capacity posted on website
June 1-30 Nonresident Application Forms made available and accepted

Between July 1st and July 15th of each year:

1. The superintendent or representative will sort and select nonresident student applications that match the approved and published nonresident student enrollment available in the district.

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2. The superintendent or representative will ensure that all eligible nonresident student applications are included in the lottery selection process.
3. The names of each nonresident applicant will be entered into the lottery and selected randomly by grade level.
4. All students entered into the lottery *shall* be drawn and listed in order of selection.
5. The superintendent or designee will review and confirm each student drawn qualifies for nonresident enrollment.
6. Each student selected for enrollment will be assigned to a school as determined by the superintendent or designee.
7. The parent or guardian of each student selected for enrollment will be notified of their acceptance as nonresident students and of the school placement.
8. The parent or guardian *must* acknowledge receipt of acceptance and student placement within *five (5)* business days from the date of notification or the nonresident enrollment will be denied.
9. The superintendent or designee will confirm that nonresident students have filled all approved open seats until the applicant list for each grade level is exhausted.
10. Applicants not selected for nonresident enrollment will be notified and provided the reason for non-selection.
11. The district *may* maintain a “waiting list” of nonresident students who were not selected for enrollment but may be eligible for a seat if one becomes available.

[<LINK TO NONRESIDENT ENROLLMENT APPLICATION>](#)

Table 1.5a 2026-2027 Nonresident Student Enrollment Capacity (with limited capacity)

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