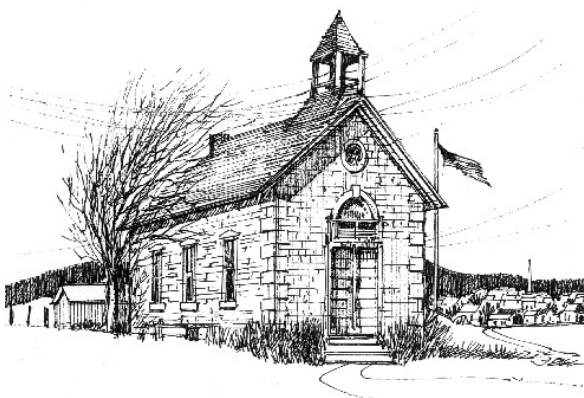


25th Annual

Rural Education and Small Schools Conference

October 12-13, 2003
Holiday Inn-Holidome
Manhattan, Kansas





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Key Conference Issues

The conference program has been designed to highlight exemplary programs and research of all kinds involving rural education and small schools. Key issues throughout this year's conference program include the following areas:

- No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and issues for rural and small schools
- Successful cross-district cooperative agreements and restructuring efforts
- Technology integration for increased learning
- 21st Century Community Learning Centers in Rural and Small Schools
- Assessment of student progress toward meeting NCLB standards
- Successful programs for English language learners in rural and small schools
- Recruitment and retention of teachers and administrators in rural areas
- Leadership for collaboration and change in schools and communities

Conference Program

Sunday

October 12, 2003

Sponsored by Schools for Quality
Education (SQE)

2:00 p.m.

Conference Room IV & V

Speaker: Dr. Sylvia Robinson

Governor's Director of Education Policy

"Governor's Policy Team Report of State
Travels"

Legislative Panel on Rural and Small School
Issues

Senator Janis Lee

Senator Dwayne Umbarger

Representative Bill Kassebaum

Representative Josh Svaty

Moderator: Sherry Taylor, SQE President

4:00 p.m.

Conference Room IV & V

SQE Annual Business Meeting and Election

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Social Hour (Cash Bar)

Holiday Inn Concourse

6:00-9:00 p.m.

General Session

Banquet

Regency Ballroom A

(Co-sponsored with SQE and Center for Rural
Education and Small Schools)

Music: Midnight Blue Jazz Quartet featuring
Greg Carroll

Keynote Speaker:

Deb Patterson, Head Coach

KSU Women's Basketball Program

SQE Essay Contest Winners

Presider: Robert C. Newhouse
Center for Rural Education and
Small Schools
Kansas State University

Monday October 13, 2003

7:30-9:00 a.m.

Registration

Holiday Inn Concourse

7:30-8:35 a.m.

Regency Ballroom

BREAKFAST

SPEAKER:

Mary Conk Kusler

Legislative Specialist

American Association of School

Administrators (AASA)

“Update on Federal Legislation

for Rural Education”

Presider: Barbara Havlicek

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

8:45-9:35 a.m.

Conference Room I

*“Connecting Rural Schools and Communities
Through Place-Based Education: An Overview
of the Rural School and Community Trust”*

Barbara Poore

Rural School and Community Trust

Westchester, IL

Denise Uhlich

USD #284 - Chase County

Cottonwood Falls, KS

Presider: Dru Clarke

Conference Room II

“Achieving Adequate Yearly Progress with Low SES Students”

Debra Edwards
Brandey Nelson
Kathy Huntzinger
Debbie Hodges
Jody Schneider
USD #323 – Rock Creek
St. George, KS

Presider: Frank Spikes

Conference Room III

“Honoring Our Pioneer Mothers: Ideas for Celebrating Rural Women”

Linda Thurston
Jan Middendorf
Mary Kay Seibert
Yoli Gallardo-Nunez
Christina Reyes
Della Perez
Katy Brooks
Cecilia Hernandez
Julie Emslie
College of Education
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS

Presider: Be Stoney

Conference Room V

“Wireless Computer Networking in Schools”

Tweed Ross
College of Education
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS

Presider: Darla Stone

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

9:45–10:35 a.m.

Conference Room I

“Connecting Rural Schools and Communities Through Place-Based Education: Using Place Based Education to Meet Standards”

Barbara Poore

Rural School and Community Trust

Westchester, IL

Denise Uhlrich

USD #284 – Chase County

Cottonwood Falls, KS

Presider: Dru Clarke

Conference Room II

“Diagnostic Reading: Making a Difference One Reader at a Time”

Linda Zeigler

Tina Walt

USD #293 – Quinter Public Schools

Quinter, KS

Presider: Be Stoney

Conference Room III

“Classrooms and Curriculum Come Alive with Music”

Lanette Sharp

Weber School District

Ogden, UT

Kirk Parker

Independence High School

San Jose, CA

Presider: Ken Hughey

Conference Room IV

“No Teacher Left Behind: A Mediated Approach to Professional Development for Classroom Teachers”

Barbara Newhouse
Rusty Taylor
Educational Communications Center
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS

Barbara Havlicek
College of Education
Kansas State University

Presider: Jan Middendorf

Conference Room V

“Mass Media III – How to Utilize Digital Technology to Produce and Market School Sports”

Brad Starnes
Matt Renk
USD #378 – Riley
Riley, KS

Presider: Tweed Ross

10:35–10:50 a.m.

BREAK/EXHIBITS

Concourse

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

10:50–11:40 a.m.

Conference Room I

“Ensuring High Standards for Every Student Through Access to the Curriculum: A Study of Rural Schools in Three States

Glenda Hernandez
Elizabeth Caron
University of Maryland
College Park, MD

Presider: Jackie Spears

Conference Room II

“Connecting Kansas Kids, Crops, Critters and Conservation”

Barbara Oplinger
Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in
the Classroom
College of Education
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS

Presider: Be Stoney

Conference Room IV

“Restructuring the Small System – Practical Considerations”

Dee McKee
USD #383 – Manhattan
Manhattan, KS

David Self
Hugoton, KS

Presider: Ken Hughey

Conference Room V

“The Robotics League: Using Technology to Engage Learners Across the Curriculum”

Kevin M. Kramer
William Rust
College of Education
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS

Presider: Cindy Shuman

11:45 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
LUNCH
REGENCY BALLROOM

SPEAKER:

Dr. John Lawrence, Superintendent
Troy County R-III School District
Troy, MO
President, American Association
of School Administrators (AASA)

Rural Education Awards
G. Kent Stewart
Awards Committee Chair

Presider: Barbara Havlicek
Center for Rural Education and Small
Schools
Kansas State University

<p>CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1:40–2:30 p.m.</p>
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Conference Room I

“No Child Left Behind: A Rural Perspective”
Al Eads
National Rural Education President
Summerville, SC

Presider: Warren White

Conference Room II

“Team Work = Kindergarten Success”
Konne Rife
Susan Dillinger
Jean McCool
Stacy Rempe
USD #322 – Onaga-Havensville-
Wheaton
Onaga, KS

Presider: Marilyn Kaff

Conference Room III

“Rural Schools, Technology and Future”

Howard Pitler

Director of Educational Technology

McREL

Aurora, CO

Presider: Tweed Ross

Conference Room V

“Digital Citizenship: A Leadership Model for Educating Students in the 21st Century”

Gerald Bailey

Mike Ribble

College of Education

Kansas State University

Manhattan, KS

Presider: John Dalida

2:30–2:45 p.m.

BREAK/EXHIBITS

Concourse

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

2:45–3:30 p.m.

Conference Room I

“The Wheels of Learning: Robots in the Classroom”

Lori Atkins Goodson

College of Education

Kansas State University

Manhattan, KS

Cassie Sturgeon

USD #308 – Hutchinson

Hutchinson, KS

Presider: Trudy Salsberry

Conference Room II

“Developing Community Education Programs”

Charlene Brownson
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS

Presider: Jan Middendorf

Conference Room III

“Meeting the Mandates: Adjusting the Infrastructure”

Teresa Northern Miller
College of Education
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS

Joan Spiker
USD #383 – Manhattan
Manhattan, KS

Presider: John Dalida

Conference Room V

“Electronic Charter School... A Virtual School at Elkhart, KS”

G. Kent Stewart
College of Education
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS

Scott F. Myers
USD #218 – Elkhart
Elkhart, KS

Presider: Warren White

3:35-4:30

Conference Room IV & V

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