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KAN-ED AWARDS MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS GRANTS TOTALING OVER \$2 MILLION

Technology Upgrades and Enhancement Projects Assist Kansas Hospitals, Schools, and Libraries

(TOPEKA) – Today Kan-ed, a statewide information network administered by the Board of Regents, named 94 organizations as recipients of Equipment and Technology Grants.

“The grant awards provide Kan-ed members with a tremendous opportunity to obtain the latest technology and equipment available in order to enhance video conferencing services,” said Brad Williams, Executive Director of Kan-ed. “This funding will have direct and positive impacts on the lives of Kansans across the state, as advanced video conferencing technology enables organizations to better serve their communities. Members are bringing together K-12 learning partners around the world, allowing patients to coordinate healthcare needs with providers separated by geography, and facilitating research partnerships at universities. The ability to identify critical member needs and offer opportunities to enhance access through technology contributes to the continued growth of Kan-ed.”

Through this grant program, created in 2004, Kan-ed distributed \$2.1 million in 2008 to its members for upgrades or enhancement of video conference equipment. Any connected Kan-ed member, or member that agreed to connect to the network, was eligible to apply for funding. Currently, Kan-ed has 834 members, with 288 members connected to the network for high-speed access to resources and programs. This program is funded by state appropriations, revenue generated through the E-rate program, and federal sources.

Kan-ed reviewed the 139 proposals that were submitted and granted awards to 94 organizations. Priority consideration was given to proposals that focused on meeting infrastructure development goals and objectives for the Kan-ed network and members. The following table outlines the organizations and award amounts.

<u>Organizations (By Member Type)</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Higher Education Institutions	
Barton County Community College	\$20,000.00
Bethel College	\$14,872.40
Butler Community College	\$40,516.00
Cloud County Community College	\$18,621.23
Dodge City Community College	\$24,930.00
Donnelly College	\$20,290.00
Kansas State University	\$25,214.20
Pittsburg State University	\$33,079.86
University of Kansas	\$30,604.60
University of Kansas – School of Pharmacy	\$74,550.00
Wichita State University	\$13,525.74
Wichita State University-Kansas Kids @ GEAR UP	\$16,248.55

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Hospitals	
Anthony Medical Center	\$12,120.25
Bob Wilson Memorial-Grant County Hospital	\$15,429.55
Edwards County Hospital	\$11,625.25
Harper Hospital District #5	\$11,625.25
Hodgeman County Health Center	\$10,193.55
Horton Community Hospital	\$16,606.21
Kearny County Hospital	\$10,193.55
Lane County Hospital	\$15,689.24
Meade District Hospital/Artesian Valley Health System	\$12,247.23
Phillips County Hospital	\$28,714.28
Pioneer Health Network	\$32,965.73
Russell Regional Hospital	\$28,363.42
Satanta District Hospital	\$11,625.25
Scott County Hospital	\$22,680.10
Southwest Medical Center	\$10,193.55
Stanton County Health Care Facility	\$11,625.25
Stevens County Hospital	\$11,625.25
Stormont-Vail Healthcare Inc.	\$175,300.00
Trego County Lemke Memorial Hospital	\$15,595.00
University of Kansas Hospital	\$74,550.00
Wichita County Health Center	\$11,625.55
K-12 Schools	
Anthony-Harper USD 361	\$15,495.24
Argonia Public Schools USD 359	\$19,724.23
Atchison County Community Schools USD 377	\$18,404.23
Barber County North USD 254	\$16,381.00
Belle Plaine USD 357	\$30,758.43
Bluestem USD 205	\$18,407.23
Burrton USD 369	\$14,468.23
Caldwell USD 360	\$19,168.33
Cedar Vale USD 285	\$19,248.21
Central Heights USD 288	\$13,460.00
Central USD 462	\$19,065.74
Chase-Raymond USD 401	\$48,011.97
Circle USD 375	\$57,453.69
Conway Springs USD 356	\$13,890.23
Dexter USD 471	\$18,407.23
Dodge City USD 443	\$8,925.12
Douglass Public Schools USD 396	\$32,280.66
El Dorado USD 490	\$14,313.23
Ellsworth USD 327	\$17,116.00
Flinthills USD 492	\$24,140.23
Frontenac Public Schools USD 249	\$28,537.97
Galena USD 499	\$19,218.73
Highland USD 425	\$840.88
Inman USD 448	\$14,480.23
Jefferson County North USD 339	\$18,842.23

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Jetmore USD 227	\$42,338.97
Kansas State School for the Blind	\$16,000.00
Kinsley-Offerle USD 347	\$5,761.06
Leavenworth USD 453	\$20,308.73
Little River USD 444	\$11,710.00
Logan USD 326	\$25,416.00
Maize USD 266	\$10,000.00
McLouth USD 342	\$19,771.00
Midway Schools USD 433	\$2,493.66
Nemaha Valley Schools USD 442	\$11,796.00
Northeast Kansas Education Service Center #608	\$19,771.00
Osborne County USD 392	\$10,060.00
Oxford USD 358	\$15,742.23
Palco USD 269	\$33,582.00
Paradise USD 399	\$26,266.00
Perry Public Schools USD 343	\$19,499.23
Pittsburg USD 250	\$47,507.97
Plainville USD 270	\$35,334.00
Prairie View USD 362	\$11,794.00
Quinter Public Schools USD 293	\$10,060.00
Rose Hill Public Schools USD 394	\$18,407.23
Sabetha USD 441	\$22,571.00
Seaman USD 345	\$27,917.23
Smoky Hill/ Central Kansas Education Service Center #629	\$58,955.97
South Brown County USD 430	\$23,676.97
South Central Kansas Education Service Center #628	\$30,392.00
South Central Kansas Education Service Center #628	\$18,407.23
Southeast Kansas Education Service Center #609	\$18,859.00
Sumner County Educational Services Interlocal #619	\$20,657.23
Three Lakes Educational Cooperative #620	\$17,369.77
Thunder Ridge USD 110	\$39,896.00
Udall USD 463	\$18,407.23
Wellington USD 353	\$16,140.33
Wheatland USD 292	\$12,108.00
Libraries	
Northeast Kansas Library System	\$14,949.00
South Central Kansas Library System	\$18,817.23
Stevens County Library	\$15,218.43

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About Kan-Ed

Kan-ed, a program administered through the Kansas Board of Regents, is designed to give Kansans a competitive advantage in the global marketplace by connecting the state's hospitals, libraries, higher education institutions, and K-12 public and private schools with high-speed bandwidth to bring members together through Interactive Distance Learning and the exchange of data. Kan-ed membership benefits include shared databases, video-conferencing, telemedicine, and content otherwise unavailable or available at costs too prohibitive for most schools, libraries and hospitals.

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