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Mr. Ben Proctor 150 N. Ridge Road, P. O. Box 2000 Hesston, KS 67062

Dear Ben,

Four years ago, the Kansas State Board of Education launched its new vision for education – Kansas leads the world in the success of each student – and identified key outcomes Kansans said they valued. These outcomes include social-emotional growth, kindergarten readiness, Individual Plan of Study, civic engagement, high school graduation and postsecondary success.

Today, we are pleased to announce the launch of the Kansans Can Star Recognition program, designed to recognize districts for success achieved in the individual outcome areas.

For this inaugural year of the program, we are recognizing districts in these areas:

- Commissioner's Award: Exceeding predicted postsecondary effectiveness rates
- Kansans Can Star Recognition (Gold, Silver, Bronze, Copper)
  - o Academically Prepared for Postsecondary Success
    - o High School Graduation
    - o Postsecondary Effectiveness

On behalf of the State Board of Education and the Kansas State Department of Education, we are pleased to present USD 460 Hesston the following recognition for the 2019-2020 school year:

Postsecondary Effectiveness: Silver Graduation Rate: Silver Academically Prepared for Postsecondary Success: Copper Commissioner's Award

## To download your district's certificate and banner files, please login to your district's AMOSS account at https://apps.ksde.org/authentication/login.aspx.

We hope this recognition is celebrated throughout your district and provides valuable information to help guide your strategic focus in the coming year.

Congratulations to everyone at USD 460 Hesston for their exceptional work toward achieving the state board's vision for Kansas education.

Sincerely,

Dr. Randy Watson Kansas Commissioner of Education

Kathy Busdh Chair, Kansas State Board of Education

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