



Unified School District 232

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NOTICE OF HEARING PURSUANT TO SENATE BILL No. 40

April 20, 2021

Unified School District No. 232 will hold a hearing pursuant to a new Kansas law known as Senate Bill No. 40. The hearing is scheduled for **8:30 a.m.** on **Thursday, April 22**, at the USD 232 Administrative Office, 35200 West 91st Street, De Soto, KS.

Only individuals participating in the hearing will be allowed to attend in-person. The hearing will be live streamed and available for public viewing on the district's YouTube channel:
<https://bitly.com/usd232youtube>.

The Kansas Legislature passed Senate Bill No. 40 giving Boards of Education sole authority to take actions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The legislation also provides that employees, students, or parents or guardians of aggrieved students, may request a hearing to challenge an action, order, or policy of the Board of Education. The law also allows Boards of Education to adopt rules of procedure to efficiently respond to requests for hearings.

The hearing is in response to an individual who is seeking to contest the Board of Education policy requiring masks be worn at school. The hearing will be conducted by administrative hearing officers appointed for such purpose under rules adopted by the Board of Education.

A decision regarding this matter will be made by the Board of Education within seven days after the hearing.

Questions regarding this hearing should be directed to the Clerk of the Board of Education (913/667-6200, ext.3303 or wdenham@usd232.org).

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Clerk, Board of Education

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