



Blue Valley School District 2021 Legislative Positions **PRIORITY POSITIONS**

Fund Special Education at Statutory Amounts and Expand Def of At-Risk

The current school finance system should be modified to achieve the following: a) fund the excess cost of special education to the 92 percent statutory limit; and b) broaden the definition of at-risk to include not only poverty factors, but other indicators such as ELL, student academic performance data, attendance data and homelessness.

Enhance Student Mental Health

The Blue Valley School District urges expanded support for community-based behavioral and mental health initiatives. Further, the Blue Valley School District supports measures aimed at eliminating the possession, distribution and use of vaping products among school-aged students.

Eliminate Tax Credits and Vouchers for Private Schools

Opposes public funding of private schools, including offering public tax credits that decrease state revenue, that do not comply with the same standards and requirements of public-school districts, including governance by an elected local school board.