

72-1926. Same; initial term; renewal application. (a) The authority to operate as a public innovative district shall be effective for a period of five school years. At least 90 days prior to the expiration of such five-year period, the board of education of a public innovative district may submit an application for renewal of its authority to operate as a public innovative district. Such renewal application shall be submitted in such form and manner as prescribed by the state board.

(b) A renewal application submitted pursuant to this section shall include:

(1) Evidence that such public innovative district has met the standards on the math and reading state assessments, or the alternative assessment adopted by the board of education, during the period of operation as a public innovative district;

(2) evidence that such public innovative district has shown improvement in its completion percentage during the period of operation as a public innovative district;

(3) demonstrated progress that such public innovative district is achieving the goals and outcomes described in its application for authority to operate as a public innovative district; and

(4) a description of compliance with the provisions of K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 72-1921 through 72-1930, and amendments thereto.

(c) (1) Within 60 days after such renewal application is submitted, the state board shall review the renewal application to determine compliance with this section. If the renewal application is in compliance with the provisions of this section, the state board shall grant the renewal of the authority to operate as a public innovative district for a subsequent five-year period and notify the board of education of such public innovative district within 10 days after such decision.

(2) If the state board determines the renewal application is not in compliance with this section, the state board shall hold a hearing on the issues in controversy. Representatives of the public innovative district shall be provided the opportunity to present information refuting the basis upon which the noncompliance is premised. At least 30 days' notice shall be provided to the board of education of the public innovative district prior to the hearing. Within 60 days after the hearing, the state board shall determine whether to not renew the grant of authority, renew the grant of authority contingent upon compliance with specified conditions or renew the grant of authority without conditions. Notification of such decision shall be sent to the board of education of the public innovative district and shall specify the reasons therefor.

(3) If a grant of authority is not renewed, the board of education of such school district may apply for a grant of authority to operate as a public innovative district in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 72-1921 through 72-1930, and amendments thereto.

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