

To learn more about Smoky Hill Education Service Center or get in touch to visit further, please use one of the following:

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Mission: *"In partnership with school districts, we promote success for learners by providing superior services."*

What is Smoky Hill?

History...

Smoky Hill Education Service Center was founded on July 1, 1990, in Salina, Kansas, to benefit member school districts and educational institutions with **services and cost savings**. In 2004, SHESC expanded to 9th Street in the former Franklin Elementary School building. Today, the center also maintains a satellite location in Hays, Kansas. The center serves more than **50 school districts** today across **25 counties**, serving **2,700 teachers and administrators** responsible for the education of more than **31,000 Kansas students**.



How We Work...

Membership or participation in SHESC is voluntary, but the Kansas State Department of Education encourages contacting service centers for assistance.

The service center can do work for Kansas school districts that is simply too expensive or difficult for them because of limitations in time, expertise, or personnel. Sometimes, it may still be faster, easier, or less expensive to have the service center do work currently completed by individual districts.

But Smoky Hill Education Service Center does more than serve member school districts.

Any non-profit organization or government agency is eligible to participate in service center programs and services to save money, time, and resources!

Benefits and Services...

- **Volume Purchasing Discounts** on science equipment, supplies, technology, athletic gear, food, and more!
- **Continuing Education** including workshops on English Language Learners, Rule 10 coaches, mental health, personalized learning, character development, and classroom management.
- **Planning and Guidance** for curriculum development, technology review, E-Rate, crisis management, and overall institutional strategy.
- **Specialized Classes** including defensive driving, ArtsAnywhere online, teacher mentoring, administrator support, and Adult Diploma Completion (for no tuition fee!)
- **Resource Library** including books, curriculum, videos, games, puppets, and science activities - including egg incubators and STARLAB astronomy kits (additional fee).
- **Environmental Services** including asbestos awareness; mold inspection; playground safety; and basic training in First Aid, CPR, and AED.
- **Reading and Writing Programs** including Rosetta Stone foreign language, Fast ForWord, Achieve 3000, and LETRS.
- **Online Learning Resources** from Odysseyware, Edmentum and Learn 360.
- **Social Emotional Learning Programs** including bullying prevention, Bridges Out of Poverty, and trauma-informed schools.
- **Team-Building Ropes Challenge Course** at our Hays location.
- **Meeting Room Reservation.**
- **ACT Test Prep.**
- **Classroom Assessment Tools.**