

The Kansas Department of Education and Smoky Hill Education Service Center are recognizing schools and districts that are implementing new initiatives or are enhancing existing initiatives that will strengthen the social, emotional and character development skills in their students and school climate. Initiatives can be a curriculum, program, practice, activity, and/or interventions. Initiatives must support at least one of the SECD Standards strands (Character Development, Personal Development, or Social Development) AND support one or more of the 5R's (Responsive Culture, Relationships, Relevance, Rigor, or Results) from the Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (KESA) or one or more of the Four Principles of Redesign (Student Success Skills, Community Partnerships, Personalized Learning or Real-World Applications).

A Promising Practice or Shifting School Culture initiative may not be used for this application.

Was this initiative implemented in an individual school or district wide? _____

Student enrollment in your school or district as applicable to this initiative: _____

Grade levels targeted: _____

% of student population in the school or district that is eligible for free or reduced lunch: _____

1. Identify the SECD Standard(s) your school is currently supporting through your initiative.
 Character Development Personal Development Social Development
2. Identify the theme(s) in the 5R's Framework that this initiative supports.
 Responsive Culture Relationships Relevance Rigor Results
Or, Identify which of the Four Principles of Redesign this initiative supports.
 Student Success Skills Community Partnerships Personalized Learning Real-World Applications
3. Describe your initiative in 200-500 words. Attach an additional page with the description including your name and school. Please include how long the students were engaged with this initiative and how frequently. How many students participated? Why and how was the initiative implemented? How are you measuring and evaluating student change or growth?
4. Was there any community involvement? If so, how were they involved (financially, directly with students, initiative planning)? What was the frequency of community engagement with students? Did you measure or evaluate community response or satisfaction?

Contact Name and Position: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

School: _____ USD Name & #: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Principal or Superintendent Signature:

Email your application to Noalee McDonald-Augustine at nmcdonald@smokyhill.org.

The Application Fee is \$25. Make checks payable to Smoky Hill Education Service Center – 605 E. Crawford - Salina, KS 67401.

Deadline for submission is March 26, 2021.