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I am writing in support for the bond issue in Kansas City Kansas Pubic Schools USD 500. As a citizen and Pastor in County, nothing is more important to me in our County than the education of our children. In order for our children to be successful now and later in life, a strong foundation and the best tools to build upon that foundation are essential.

Schools are as good as the administrators, teachers, parents and most importantly, the children are. Therefore, in order to be most effective, they must have the necessary basics to start, and then any additional tools to help them be even better. School facilities need to meet modern standards for safety and must be capable of supporting technological advancements, all of which is included in this bond.

As a parent, I support the bond issue for all the benefits, such as, but not limited to: two new elementary schools, two new middle schools, upgrades in existing buildings, playground enhancements; in addition, to stay on the cutting edge of the 21st Century Learning, and demands for education.

Education is one of the best gifts we can give our children and, as citizens, parents future and past, we owe it to the dedicated administration, teachers and most of all our children. President Abraham Lincoln said, "You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today." Good reason to vote **yes**. Therefore, now is the time to act on the **Zero** Tax Increase bond issue on November 8th.

Thank you, and let's make it happen for our kids.
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"Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations...." Matthew 28:19

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