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Kansas Department of Education 900 SW Jackson St Topeka, KS 66612

Subject: Public Service Announcement Contest

To Whom it May Concern,

The Kansas 911 Coordinating Council is updating our statewide public service announcement regarding Text-to-911. This public service announcement is shared across the State and posted on our website for Emergency Communication Centers to utilize or for the public to view and learn about this technology.

The Kansas 911 Coordinating Council would like to invite Kansas High School video, technology or the like classes to participate in creating the updated Public Service Announcement. Those who chose to participate will submit a video to the Council by December 20, 2019 where each video will be voted on. The winner will receive a \$500 donation to the High School's technology department and the runner up will receive a \$250 donation to the High School's technology department. Announcements of the winner and runner up will be announced the by March 1, 2020.

The Council is asking the Kansas Department of Education to disseminate this opportunity to the Kansas High Schools. We invite all entries to visit <a href="https://www.kansas911.org/public%20education/">https://www.kansas911.org/public%20education/</a> to review our current PSA for an idea of where we have been. It is the Council's goal to show success stories of Text-to-911 and how this technology has helped citizens and responders alike.

Attached is a list of 911 call summaries from 911 centers across the state who have taken successful text-to-911 calls. These stories are shared for an idea of what type of calls we have taken, but not necessarily required for use in the video. We request this video be no more than 45 seconds long.

The Kansas 911 Coordinating Council is looking to convey it's message of "Call if You Can, Text if You Can't" while updating the visual content of our video and outlining some of our success stories since the inception of this new technology.

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