

**71-1201. Territory attachment; elections, when; limitations and approvals.** Territory may be added to any community college district which has been established under this act either by deemed approval or by election approval by one of the following methods:

(a) The board of education of any unified district a part of which is in the community college district or which touches and adjoins a community college district may petition the state board for attachment of the territory of such unified district to the community college district for community college purposes. Upon receiving any petition under this subsection, the same shall be submitted to the state board. After considering the petition, the state board may approve such attachment. The state board may seek the recommendation of the board of trustees of the community college involved as to such attachment. If such request is made and if such board of trustees recommends such attachment, the same may be approved by the state board. Upon granting any approval for attachment of territory the state board shall so inform the county election officers of counties in which the territory to be attached is located, and such county election officers shall conduct an election for approval for such attachment in the area petitioned for attachment. Such election shall be conducted in accordance with the procedure for approval for establishment of a community college as specified in this act. The question submitted shall be: "Shall the proposed attachment of territory to the \_\_\_\_\_ community college district be approved?", and the blank shall be filled with the name of the community college. The expenses of the election shall be paid by the community college. In the event that such attachment is so approved by such election the state board shall issue an order attaching the same to the community college district. The provisions of subsection (b) of K.S.A. 71-1102, and amendments thereto, shall also apply to this subsection.

(b) Any board of trustees may petition the state board for the attachment of any adjoining territory to the community college district. Such petition shall be processed as set forth in subsection (a). If the state board approves such petition, the state board shall notify the county election officers of counties in which the territory to be attached is located, and such county election officers shall conduct an election for approval of such attachment in the area petitioned for attachment. No attachment of territory shall be made under this subsection unless such attachment has been approved by a majority of those voting in the territory to be attached. Such election shall be conducted in accordance with the procedure for approval of the establishment of community colleges as specified in this act. The question submitted shall be: "Shall the proposed attachment of territory to the \_\_\_\_\_ community college district be approved?", and the blank shall be filled with the name of the community college. In the event that such attachment is so approved by such election the state board shall issue an order attaching the same to the community college district. The expenses of the election shall be paid by the community college.

(c) No territory shall be attached to any community college district within 120 days prior to the general election of members of the board of trustees.

(d) If the community college attaching territory under subsection (a) or (b) has member district method of election, no approval thereof shall be given by the state board and no proposition for approval thereof shall be submitted to any election until new proposed member districts for the community college territory as the same will exist after the addition of territory have been established by the state board.

**History:** L. 1965, ch. 417, § 11; L. 1969, ch. 310, § 51; L. 1980, ch. 207, § 61; L. 1999, ch. 147, § 96; L. 2011, ch. 97, § 22; July 1.