USD 409 enrollment down sharply

(KAIR)--USD 409 Atchison Public Schools has seen a significant drop in enrollment compared with last year.

That's according to Superintendent Renee Scott.

Scott tells MSC News that she gave a report detailing the decline to board members at their meeting earlier this week.

"I did give an update on our enrollment numbers, and those are down. They're mirroring numbers across the state. We're seeing a huge drop in enrollment across the state. Quite a few people are choosing to home school, as well as people are just moving based on where they can find employment."

Scott says there are a hundred fewer students enrolled this year compared to last year. She says the drop is fairly even across all grades.

According to meeting agenda packet information, this year's headcount is 1,615 for the district.

That number is subject to state audit, which usually occurs after the first of the year.

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