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Monday hours begin Sept. 9 at Mission, Olathe, Wichita, Andover and Topeka driver licensing offices

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TOPEKA – Starting Sept. 9, the state's Mission, Olathe, Wichita, Andover and Topeka driver licensing offices will be open Mondays year-round.

The move comes after the second successful year of summer Monday hours in two of the state's busiest offices.

"Almost 6,000 people took advantage of summer Mondays during the eight weeks that our Mission and Wichita offices were offering the additional hours this year," said Vehicles Director Donna Shelite. "We hope that year-round Mondays will be equally as successful."

The state switched to four-day work weeks in 1984.

The five offices will be open Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., tests will not begin after 4 p.m.

When Sedgwick County's new Derby office opens this fall, it will also be open Monday through Friday.

Starting in the fall, the Mission and Olathe offices will also roll out an evening-hours pilot project where the two offices will be open 7 a.m. until 7:45 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

To help manage the lines at the state's largest offices, the Kansas Department of Revenue has also installed a line management system that allows people to secure a place in line without first coming into the office.

To join the line people can use their cell phone to text 714-333-1234 or 626-609-1234 with Mission DL, Olathe DL, Topeka DL, Andover DL, or Wichita DL. They can also sign in online from a web browser from http://ksrevenue.org/qless.html.

Once they have a place in line, people can roam freely while they wait, allowing them to stay at work or run errands instead of having to sit and wait in the office. The system will send them updates via text alerting them as their number progresses to the front of the line.