



EDMOND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Superintendent Joy Hofmeister
State Superintendent of Education
Oklahoma State Department of Education
Oliver Hodge Building
2500 North Lincoln Boulevard,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Dear Superintendent Joy Hofmeister,

Edmond Public Schools is writing this letter to show our support for the Oklahoma Academic Standards for Math and ELA. As a school district, we have been extremely involved with the standards writing process. Our content specialists, administrators and teachers have also had numerous opportunities for reviewing the standards. Many of our stakeholders have participated in the opportunities that have been provided by the state and through content consortiums. It is our determination that these standards are a quality product and will benefit the students of Edmond and Oklahoma.

We are very excited about several areas. To name a few:

- Vertical/horizontal progression as well as grade- by- grade alignment
- User- friendly format
- Research based
- Emphasis on both content and process
- Critical/independent reading and writing, speaking and listening
- Increased alignment to ACT and NAEP
- Rigor
- Developmentally appropriate

Edmond Public Schools is proud to endorse these new standards as they are being presented. We commend the State Department of Education and all of the participants across the state who gave of their time in developing these standards.

Sincerely,

Tara L. Fair
Associate Superintendent