

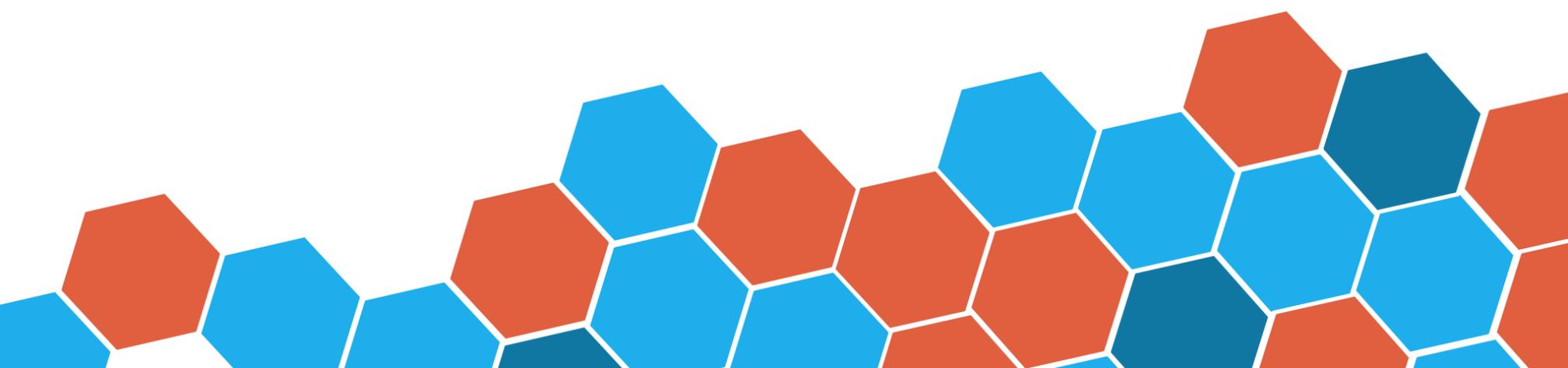
IMPLEMENTATION BRIEF

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While the Oklahoma Academic Standards for English Language Arts and Mathematics await legislative approval, the Oklahoma State Department of Education Curriculum and Instruction team is developing solutions to the most immediate concerns first and anticipate having those completed by late February. Various short- and long-term projects, shown below, are also in process to support teachers as they deepen their content and pedagogical knowledge to ensure all students achieve.

Timeline for Implementation Support

		Math	ELA
1) Crosswalks and Side-by-Sides	Expected Late February 2016	■	■
2) Monthly Webinars/Virtual Meetings	Beginning Late February 2016	■	■
3) Sample Transition Plans (varied by school size and pace)	Expected Early March 2016		■
4) PD on your Plan	Beginning Spring 2016	■	■
5) Summits	Expected Spring and Summer 2016	■	■
6) Curriculum Frameworks	Beginning Summer 2016	■	■
7) Exemplary Tasks and Units	Beginning Summer 2016	■	■
8) Principal Leadership	Beginning Fall 2016	■	■
9) Teacher Leader/Instructional Coaching Network	Beginning Fall 2016	■	



Oklahoma Students Can't Wait (with excerpts from The Bartlesville Examiner-Enterprise)

The new Oklahoma Academic Standards for Mathematics and English Language Arts have received significant attention. On January 28, 2016, they were adopted by the Oklahoma State Board of Education and certified as College- and Career-Ready Standards by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. State Senator Ron Sharp, a retired teacher, told the Bartlesville Examiner-Enterprise that he believes the standards are going to be excellent. "The schoolteachers I've had contact with and the principals are anxious to get them in their hands, are anxious to get started on them," he said. "This is going to be very important for our public school system."

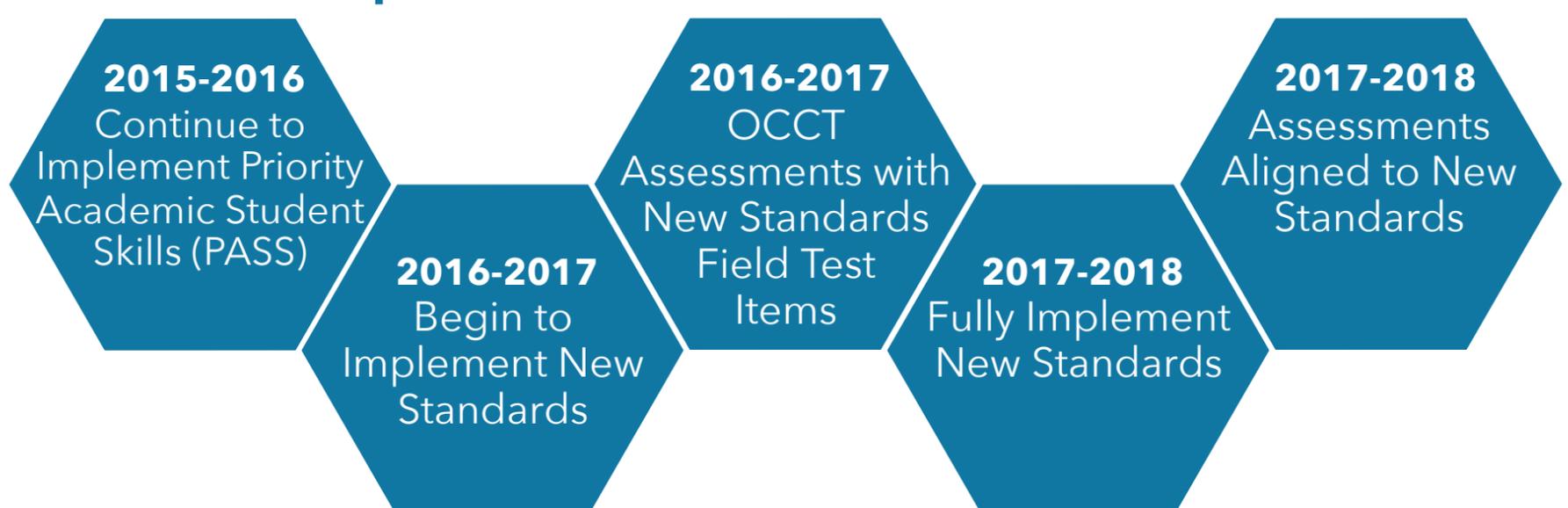
Recognizing the critical importance of beginning implementation efforts, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Joy Hofmeister urged legislators to approve the standards quickly. "Districts and schools have a mountain of work to begin as soon as these standards are approved. Before students arrive for the next school year, districts must align the curriculum framework for both subjects in



every grade level, and teachers will need professional development. We owe it to our teachers to get them finalized and approved as quickly as possible."

With only a few weeks before attention shifts from implementation to testing, districts and teachers are encouraged to contact their local legislators about the standards implementation timeline.

Implementation and Assessment Timeline



<http://sde.ok.gov/newstandards>

