

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,

I am writing this letter to show my support for the Oklahoma Academic Standards for Math and ELA. I have been involved with the standards writing process. The ELL team at my school has 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 my opinion as a ELA and ELL teacher that these will benefit the students of Title 1 At Risk Schools which includes most schools in the Oklahoma City district.

I am very excited about several area. I had a chance to discuss this with representatives from several schools during the fall OABE meeting. We found the areas the most promising for ELL students to be the following:

- User- friendly format
- Research based
- Emphasis on both content and process
- Critical/independent reading and writing, speaking and listening
- Rigor
- Developmentally appropriate

I am proud to endorse these new standards. They are a demonstration that we can lead as educators and not simply blindly follow a trend.

Sincerely,

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