TITLE 210. STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CHAPTER 10. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION AND INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES SUBCHAPTER 13. STUDENT ASSESSMENT

210:10-13-2. Oklahoma School Testing Program (OSTP) scope and general administration

(a) **Definitions.** In this Section, the words and terms shall have the following meaning: "**Proficient/Satisfactory**" means achieving at least the minimum score for demonstrating mastery as defined by the State Board of Education on an academic achievement test of the Oklahoma School Testing Program (OSTP).

(b) All public school districts shall administer the state mandated academic achievement tests of the OSTP to all students enrolled in the designated grades. The series of tests shall be field-tested/implemented by the amended schedule in 70 O.S. § 1210.508, or federal law.

(1) Students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) shall have an appropriate statement on the IEP with regard to the type of assessment in which the student will participate (e.g., Oklahoma Core Curriculum Test (OCCT) with or without accommodations, or the Oklahoma Alternate Assessment Program (OAAP) Portfolio). The OCCT and OAAP Portfolio are all a part of the Oklahoma School Testing Program (OSTP). Any state approved accommodations must be documented in the student's current IEP. Current documentation for each student shall be on file in the local school prior to test administration. (2) All students who have been determined to be limited English proficient (LEP) as the term is defined at 20 U.S.C. § 7801, also known as English language learners (ELL), shall be included in all of the state-mandated academic achievement tests of the OSTP. ELL students are those who have been appropriately identified, through English proficiency screening by the local school districts, as requiring specialized instructional services designed to increase their English proficiency and academic performance. For every student identified as ELL, the local district shall have on file verification that the student is receiving special instruction designed for the specific purpose of improving the ELL student's English proficiency. Any State Department of Education approved and adopted English proficiency assessment shall be considered an official assessment of the OSTP, and will be subject to the same security, privacy, and administration measures accorded to all other OSTP assessments.

(A) Students identified as ELL shall be assessed in a valid and reliable manner with the state academic assessments with acceptable accommodations as necessary and, to the extent practicable, with alternate assessments aligned to the state assessment provided by the local school district in the language and form most likely to yield accurate data on what such students know and can do in these content areas; these alternate assessments will continue until such students have achieved English language proficiency with the exception noted in paragraph (2)(B) of this subsection.

(B) If ELL students are administered the state-mandated reading and language arts achievement tests in a language other than English, this will be allowed only during their first three consecutive years of school attendance in the United States (not including Puerto Rico). After these first three years these tests must be administered in English, except that if the local school district determines on a case-by-case basis, that a student has not yet reached a level of English language proficiency that will allow valid and reliable information to be obtained, even with testing accommodations, in which case individual waivers will be allowed by the local district for up to two additional consecutive years, according to federal law.

(3) All End-of-Instruction assessments must be taken once the corresponding course of instruction has been completed. In order to meet the Federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation requirements, all students prior to graduating from high school must take the Algebra I, Biology I, and English II assessments regardless of whether instruction has been taken, unless otherwise exempt.

(c) On an annual basis, school superintendents or their designees shall provide a copy of the State Board of Education Rules, OAC 210:10-13, for all school personnel responsible for receipt, inventory, distribution, or return of tests documents, and/or for administration of tests within the Oklahoma School Testing Program.

(d) Districts may request special reports beyond those provided by state contract with the testing company at their own cost (i.e., individual student records on CD or disk, District Title I Report, District Alpha Order Report, etc.).

(e) Test results of all students not enrolled in a district for a full academic year shall be disaggregated and shall not be used to determine the progress of the district, according to federal law. Test results of all students not enrolled in a school site for a full academic year shall be disaggregated and shall not be used to determine the progress of the school site, according to federal law. For purposes of the OSTP, a student shall be considered a "Full Academic Year" (FAY) student if the student is enrolled within the first twenty (20) instructional days of the school's instructional year through and including the date of administration of the exam, without an enrollment lapse of ten (10) or more consecutive instructional days.

(f) For purposes of the annual reports of the OSTP, test results of all students who have been placed in a state juvenile facility by state law or court order, or students placed in a full time residential facility providing educational services to students by joint agreement with one or more school districts shall not be used to determine the progress of the site or the district of residence of the students. Instead their scores will be used in accountability calculations in one statewide "virtual" district".

(g) Each public school student who does not score at least at the satisfactory level on state criterion-referenced tests in reading and mathematics by the end of the student's seventh grade year shall be provided remediation for the purpose of assisting the student in performing at least at the satisfactory level on the eighth-grade criterion-referenced tests in reading and mathematics, subject to the availability of funding. Each public school student who does not score at least at the satisfactory level on state criterion-referenced tests in reading and mathematics by the end of the student's eighth grade year shall be provided remediation for the purpose of assisting the student in performing at least at the satisfactory level on the end of instruction tests administered in high school. Each public school student who does not attain at least a satisfactory or proficient score on the state end-of-instruction tests shall be provided remediation for the purpose of assisting the student in attaining at least a satisfactory or proficient score on the Algebra I, English II, and two of the remaining five end-of-instruction tests, in order to graduate from an Oklahoma accredited public high school.

(1) Districts and/or schools may provide remediation through extended instructional time during the school day, a summer academy, tutoring, online coursework, or other supplementary services. Remediation is not limited to these practices.

(2) Remediation provided shall be under the supervision of a highly qualified teacher certified in the appropriate content area.

(3) The State Department of Education shall provide information about best practices for remediation and interventions on the State Department of Education website.

(4) Each district shall submit an annual remediation plan to its local board of education at a regularly scheduled meeting prior to November 15 of each school year. The remediation plan shall be for those students who do not attain at least a satisfactory or proficient score on the tests listed in this section. The plan should include how remediation funds will be spent, when and where remediation will be provided, what content will be addressed, how instruction will be delivered, and who will provide the instruction, including the highly qualified status of the instructor.

(5) Funds for remediation shall be disbursed by the State Department of Education to the local school districts by September 1 of each year in accordance with the requirements of 70 O.S. § 1210.526. Funds for each fiscal year shall be based on the most recent OSTP test results available for each student from the previous school year or summer test administration.

(65) Funds for remediation shall be utilized to provide intervention and remediation for qualifying students as described in this section. Allowable expenditures include salaries and stipends for highly qualified teachers and tutors under the supervision of highly qualified teachers; instructional materials such as textbooks, workbooks, teacher-made materials, computer assisted instructional software, manipulatives, and classroom instructional tools necessary to provide remediation; assessments designed to monitor the progress of students in remediation programs; transportation to and from tutoring sessions held outside of the school day; and training in best practices for providing remediation. Funds for remediation may not be used for salaries, materials, or administrative services not directly related to remediation or for students who do not qualify for remediation as described in this section. School districts shall report the use of remediation funds and the results of the (76)remediation, as measured by periodic progress assessments and district student performance on state assessments. Districts shall submit an online report annually to the State Department of Education through the Oklahoma School District Reporting Site (SDRS). The district shall also submit the annual report to its local board of education at a regularly scheduled meeting. Remediation results shall be presented by a designated public school principal for each site.