

Public Comment #2

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In the elementary level textbooks for mathematics we found SEL (Social Emotional Learning) imbedded within the curriculum. We feel strongly that embedding SEL into all subjects is not only unnecessary, but takes time away from the actual learning of academics, the very thing children are at school to do. And in this case, it's taking time away from children learning math.

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We appreciate the opportunity to address your concern and for your time in reviewing McGraw Hill's *Oklahoma Reveal Math, K-5 © 2025 program*. At McGraw Hill, we take great pride in the quality of our instructional materials and work hard toward the goal of ensuring that all students achieve academic success through use of our programs. Members of McGraw Hill's local team reside in Owasso, Broken Arrow, Coweta, and Claremore. All are former educators and have children who have graduated from Oklahoma school districts.

McGraw Hill firmly believes that students' success in academics is tied not just to the high-quality content and sound pedagogy found in our programs but to their individual ability to think mathematically and work productively, confidently, and collaboratively with their peers through the rigorous math content they are learning. The student edition offers opportunities for students to explain, support, and share their mathematical thinking as they problem solve through each lesson. The Teacher Edition offers academic explanations for the instructor of these pedagogical areas of focus which align to mathematical actions and processes of learning. These Math Mindset features are intended to facilitate academic content discussions in the classroom if desired by the instructor and district.

Oklahoma Reveal Math is developed around the latest research on effective mathematics teaching and learning practices, and supports instructional strategies designed to unlock the full potential of every student. These include fostering student agency and mathematical confidence to help students build proficiency across grade-level academic concepts and skills, as well as establishing academic thinking habits necessary for proficient mathematical problem solving. These academic habits are embodied in the Oklahoma Mathematical Actions and Processes that are part of the expectations within the OK review rubric for Gateway 2 scoring.

Thank you again for considering McGraw Hill's *Oklahoma Reveal Math*, and please let us know if you have any additional questions.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katie McClarty". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

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