



Staking A Claim in Our Students' Future

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Guthrie Public Schools A-F Grades Released by Oklahoma State Department of Education

The Oklahoma State Department of Education released the report cards for all school districts today. Guthrie Public Schools grades are as follows:

Elementary Consolidated Grade	C
Junior High	B
High School	C-

The results reflected an increase in the Elementary grade by 6% and the Junior High Grade by 2% from the 2013-14 school year. The High School Grade dropped from a 76% to 71%. The elementary grade for Guthrie Public Schools includes Cotteral, Central, Fogarty and Guthrie Upper Elementary Schools. Due to the configuration of the district's grade centers, this measure allows the district to be more fairly evaluated.

According to Guthrie Superintendent, Dr. Mike Simpson, "I'm encouraged with the results. Realistically, over two years, the elementary grade has risen by 18% while the grade at the Junior High has risen by 20%. The drop at the High School would be of greater concern to me if our ACT scores correlated with the drop. I consider the ACT test a much more reliable measure of student learning and our results indicated improvement when the statewide average went down. I'm thankful that State Superintendent Hofmeister is putting in place a mechanism where all high school students can take the ACT free of charge.

The continued improvement is evidence that many of the reforms we have put in place locally are working. Those reforms are only as effective as our staff wants them to be. This is why I am so proud of our students and staff for their accomplishments as we work every day to make ourselves better than we were the day before."

Superintendent Hofmeister's press release can be found with the following link:
<http://www.ok.gov/sde/newsblog/2015-10-22/osde-releases-f-report-cards-schools>

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