OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION JANET C. BARRESI

COMPLIANCE REVIEW: SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

SCHOOL DISTRICT/AGENCY:

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DATE OF REVIEW:

May 5, 2011

I. INTRODUCTION:

Local educational agencies (LEAs) must adopt policies and procedures consistent with State and federal requirements and are responsible for implementing programs that comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B. General supervision of LEAs is carried out at the state level. The Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE), Special Education Services (SES) conducted an on-site concern specific compliance review on May 5, 2011. The OSDE-SES reviewed the following area(s): Financial records. The compliance review consisted of IDEA Part B Financial record reviews, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) IDEA Part B Financial record reviews, and personnel interviews.

Tonkawa Public School District is an independent school district serving 103 children with disabilities, ages three through 21, as reported on their October 2010, Child Count Report.

II. AREAS THAT REQUIRE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS AND IMPROVEMENT:

1) Area of Noncompliance:

None

OSDE Findings:

None

Improvements Required:

None

III. ASSURANCE STATEMENT:

Assurance Statement with superintendent's signature required.

Within 30 days of the receipt of this report, Tonkawa Public School District must submit a signed, written assurance statement to this office.

Content: "This district will continue to be in compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B and applicable State and federal regulations and assist in developing strategies to improve results for children with disabilities. Improvements and remedies will include examination of the LEA's existing policies, practices, and procedures necessary to properly address the financial requirements of the IDEA Part B."

IV. OTHER INFORMATION:

Subsequent monitoring activities may be initiated as necessary to ensure the LEA's compliance is consistent with policies, procedures, and regulations and in accordance with the state educational agency's responsibilities required by 34 CFR § 300.149.

Under the Open Records Act, it may be necessary for the LEA or the OSDE to provide access to this public document upon request. In the event that the OSDE receives such a request, it will seek to protect, to the extent provided by law, personally identifiable information, which, if released, could constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy and confidentiality.

In accordance with 34 CFR § 300.212, Public Information, the LEA will make such public documents, relating to the eligibility of the agency under IDEA Part B, available to the parents of children with disabilities and to the general public, as necessary.