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Dear Southeastern Oklahoma Director of Special Services,

ODSS (Oklahoma Directors of Special Services) works to assist directors of special services by providing timely and essential professional development, current legal and State Department of Education information, in order to assist directors and districts in their efforts to provide the most effective and relevant services to their students with disabilities.

Currently ODSS hosts three state wide conferences annually, hosted in the Metro area. In addition, two subsets of the ODSS group, Metro ODSS and Tulsa Area Directors of Special Services (TADSS) meet monthly to address issues related specifically to their area directors.

It has come to our attention that directors in the southeast quadrant of the state are in need of support that is directed toward smaller districts and issues that are related to the specific, yet diverse, challenges of these districts. To this end, we are hosting a meeting to determine the needs of this diverse group and define what assistance ODSS can provide in the way of training, information, and collaborative support.

Our first meeting will be Wednesday, March 27, 2013, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Atoka Technology Center. Please come be part of this important discussion group. Andrea Kunkel, staff attorney to CCOSA, will be available to assist this group. If you have questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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