

GRANT-GOODLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Oklahoma's Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Flexibility Waiver is designed to ensure that each student that graduates from an Oklahoma high school is college, career, and citizen ready. This waiver provides Oklahoma with the flexibility it needs to press forward with implementation of reforms, while giving schools room to grow. The final approved ESEA Flexibility Waiver, as well as videos and other helpful information, are available at:

<http://ok.gov/sde/elementary-and-secondary-education-act-esea>.

In 2011, the Oklahoma legislature adopted an A-F School Grading System that makes school performance clear in a manner that is transparent and easily communicated to the public. The A-F Report Card is comprised of three sections each worth one-third of the overall calculation: Performance, Student Growth, and Whole School Performance. The Student Growth section is divided into two sub-categories: growth of all students in the school and growth of the bottom quartile of students. Each category (Performance, Student Growth, Bottom Quartile Growth, and Whole School Performance) is awarded a letter grade of A, B, C, D, or F and subsequently combined to award a final letter grade for a school. For additional information, the A-F Report Card Guide is available on the Oklahoma State Department of Education's Website at; <http://ok.gov/sde/f-grading-system>.

A Priority School is any school that either (1) receives a letter grade of "F" based on the State's A-F School Grading System, or (2) is a Title 1 school in the bottom 5% of Title 1 schools, a school in the bottom 5% of all schools, or (3) is a Title 1-participating high school, Title 1-eligible high school, and/or non-Title 1 high school in the State with a graduation rate below 60% for three consecutive, or (4) is a school that receives School Improvement Grant (SIG) funds to implement a school intervention model.

Grant-Goodland Elementary School has been designated as a Priority School because it is a Title 1 school in the bottom 5% of Title 1 schools, a school in the bottom 5% of all schools. The ESEA Flexibility Waiver requires schools to notify parents/guardians of children in Title 1 Priority schools of the option to transfer their child, with transportation included, to higher-performing schools. This means a parent or guardian may choose to send their child to a higher-performing school that is able to accept students and **transportation costs will be covered by the school district.**

If you would like to transfer your child to another school, please contact the school principal at 580-326-8315.

Sincerely,

Steve Allred

Kathryn Holloway