

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Deregulation Application Instructions

The Purpose of Deregulation: To stimulate local **innovation** and **creativity** in all Oklahoma schools by exempting certain State Board of Education regulations which govern school operations and programs. No State or Federal Statutes or Federal Regulations can be waived or exempted under these Deregulation Rules and Regulations. A school district may request a deregulation from any State Board of Education rule not related to: bilingual and special education program, health and safety provisions, school finance, State Aid, pupil formula weights, teacher salary and teacher retirement, the Oklahoma School Testing Program, the Oklahoma Education Indicators Program and the teacher preparation, examination, licensure, certification residency and professional development system.
(70 O.S. § 3-126, 3-127)

The “Why” of Deregulation: Oklahoma School Deregulation is about better local schools, local school improvement and local student results. Deregulation is based on a strongly held belief that rules, standards, and regulations cannot in and of themselves foster improvement in education. The appropriate place for developing innovations and meeting student needs is at the local district and individual school site levels-thus, a fundamental focus of Oklahoma School Deregulation is to ensure that local schools have the necessary **freedom** and **flexibility** to innovate as they continue to strive toward school improvement and student results.

- 1. Submit a cover letter explaining your request for deregulation; this must have the Superintendent’s original signature.**
- 2. Complete entire application.** Every section must be answered in order to process the application. Local board approval and original signatures of the Board President, Superintendent, Principal(s), and notary with a stamp or seal are required.
- 3. Statement of the Regulation/Standard Number to be Deregulated:** The application shall clearly identify/state the regulation(s) from which the school district is proposing to be deregulated.
- 4. Alternative Strategy to Meet Standards:** The Application shall clearly state the alternative strategy/strategies which the school district proposes to utilize. Specific language should be employed to explain the proposed program.
- 5. Resources Needed to Meet Standards:** Specify all resources needed to fully implement the proposed deregulation.
- 6. Student and/or School Site Performance Levels to be Demonstrated:** The application shall specify and describe the expected student and /or school site performance levels to be demonstrated and evaluated as a result of the proposed deregulation.
- 7. Evaluation Procedures and/or Process:** Specify in some detail what procedures will be implemented and how these results will be utilized. Send to the Accreditation Division an end of the year report of progress before the end of the school year.
- 8. Financial Impact to the District of the Proposed Deregulation:** The application shall clearly outline the projected financial impact the proposed deregulation would create.
- 9. Timeline(s):** The application shall clearly delineate the proposed timeline(s) which, if approved will apply to the deregulation, i.e., the date(s) the school district proposes to implement the deregulated status and the date(s) proposed to terminate the deregulation. Include necessary documentation (i.e., class schedules, district calendar, evaluation forms, etc.).

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**SCHOOL SITE DEREGULATION APPLICATION
FOR 20____ - 20____ SCHOOL YEAR**

Name of Site(s): _____

Name of School District: _____

Signature of Principal(s):* _____ Date _____

_____ Date _____

_____ Date _____

Signature of Superintendent:* _____

County Name: _____

I hereby certify that this deregulation application was approved by our
local board of education at the meeting on _____, 20____.

Signature of Board President*

Notary: _____

Date: _____ My Commission Expires: _____

SDE USE ONLY

PROJECT YEARS
_____ of _____

ENROLLMENT

High School _____
Jr./Middle High _____
Elementary _____
District Total _____
Date Received _____

OAC: _____

1. Statement of the Regulation (specify OAC code):

***Original signatures are required.**

2. **Alternate Strategy:** (Clearly state alternative strategy (ies) which the district proposes and what results are to occur.)

3. **Resources Needed:** (Outline materials, supplies, staff, etc. that will be needed for this new approach.)

4. **Student and/or School Site Performance Levels to be Demonstrated:**

5. **Evaluation Procedures and/or Process:** (Outline procedures/process to be followed and submit follow-up report to SDE at the end of the school year.)

6. **Financial Impact to the District of the Proposed Deregulation:**

7. **Timeline(s):** (Please submit class schedule, calendars, assessment forms, and other attachments as necessary.)