



John Ross Elementary

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Superintendent Joy Hofmeister
State Superintendent of Education
Oklahoma State Department of Education
Oliver Hodge Building
2500 North Lincoln Boulevard
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Dear Superintendent Hofmeister:

It is our pleasure to write a letter in support of the Oklahoma Math Standards that have been written by a committee of Oklahoma mathematics educators. John Ross Elementary believes these clear and concise standards will help the students of Edmond Public Schools to become college and career ready.

After close inspection, the new standards have more rigor and visible vertical alignment and connections among grade levels than our current standards. As math educators, this is a fresh change for the future of Oklahoma education. The vision and guiding principles for the standards ensure that our students will be mathematical thinkers and communicators. We also appreciate the transparent process and the ability for Edmond teachers to be a part of the development by having opportunities to comment on the various drafts.

In conclusion, we fully support the efforts of the math standards writing committee and the Oklahoma Math Standards. These math standards are just what Edmond public school students need to be college and career ready.

Sincerely,

The Teachers of John Ross Elementary

Christa C. Ellis, Principal
Cindy Roofers, Assistant Principal
Angie Smith, 4th grade teacher
Neilson, 5th grade teacher
Nancy Black, 5th grade teacher
Michelle, 5th grade teacher
Michelle Key, 5th grade teacher
Krista Gias, Kindergarten teacher
Janie Meserve, 4th grade teacher

Amelia Angeli, 3rd
Gregory, 3rd
Meagan Kite, Special Ed Teacher
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Saul Rich, K
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Brenda, 1st
Kayla Selbertson, 2nd gr
Jennifer Cummiller, 4th gr
Kristin Lovejoy, 1st gr
Allyce Blyden, 1st gr
Allyce Brock, 3rd
Dawn Boudin, Kindergarten
Cari Sebra, 1st gr
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