



TO: Superintendents

FROM: Marsha Thompson, Assistant State Superintendent, Standards and Curriculum
Glen Henry, Director of Arts Education

DATE: March 14, 2014

SUBJECT: District Arts Assessments

We would like to take this opportunity to remind schools that the district arts assessment reporting forms are due **Friday, May 30, 2014**.

As stipulated by Oklahoma law, 70 O.S. § 1210.508, each school district shall administer to each student in the district in Grades 3-8 an assessment designed to assess the student in the fine arts of visual art and general music. This method of assessing the arts in Oklahoma public schools has given school districts greater control and flexibility in integrating and assessing the arts in the classroom.

The arts assessment reporting forms may be downloaded at: <<http://ok.gov/sde/arts#Assess>>. You can also locate the reporting forms on the Oklahoma State Department of Education web site at: <<http://www.ok.gov/sde/>>. Click on "Site Index," then on "A" scroll down and click on "Arts Assessment." The assessment forms are located near the middle of the "Arts Assessment" Web page. The following types of assessments may be utilized: Portfolio (PO), Performance Exam (PE), Written Exam (WE), Class Grade (CG), or Other (please specify).

The forms for Grades 3-8 should be completed and signed by the district superintendent. A digital signature is acceptable. For the Excel spreadsheet, please use */s/*, for example */s/ Vickie Hale*." The PDF format is now writable so please use a digital signature. A **complete set** of district summary forms for **all students** in Grades 3-8 **must be received** in our office no later than **Friday, May 30, 2014**. Please mail, fax, or email Glen Henry or Vickie Hale at:

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