

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION State Systemic Improvement Plan

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Spelling

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What are some strategies I can use with my child at home?

Elkonin Boxes helps children hear the sounds that are in the word. Breaking apart the word allows them to focus on the spelling for each sound rather than looking at the entire word at one time. More information on Elkonin Boxes can be found in January's newsletter.

Family Connection

Children have the opportunity to learn spelling patterns and practice them in the school day, but allowing that time at home for additional practice is invaluable and allows them to excel in their spelling ability.

What is my school doing this month with this plan?

K-3 teachers are broadening their knowledge on how to support evidence based spelling instruction in their classroom.

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