MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education
FROM: Janet Barresi
DATE: September 27, 2012
SUBJECT: 2013 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year

On September 18, 2012, Ms. Elaine Hutchison, an Algebra II, Trigonometry, Pre-Calculus, and AP Calculus teacher at Fairview High School, Chamberlain Middle School, and the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics Regional Center, was named the 2013 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year. Ms. Hutchison will spend the next school year as Oklahoma’s Ambassador of Teaching, speaking at various events across the state and nation.

The Oklahoma State Department of Education would like to present a resolution to Ms. Hutchison, as well as her superintendent, Rocky Burchfield and principal, Brian Hamar to honor this prestigious accomplishment.

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Attachment
Elaine Hutchison
Fairview Public Schools
Fairview High and Chamberlain Middle Schools

■ 2013 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year

“A teacher’s enthusiasm ignites greatness! If we want our students to be excited about learning, they must feed on our passion. We must work as though our daily contributions are what make or break our students’ success.”

Educational Preparation
B.S. in Secondary Mathematics Education from Oklahoma State University
National Board Certified Teacher

Current Teaching Position
Algebra 2; Trigonometry; Pre-Calculus; AP Calculus at the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics Regional Center; and High School Assistant Girls Basketball Coach

Years of Experience
10 years in present position
19 years total

Philosophy of Teaching
“I believe that teacher quality is the most essential ingredient in determining student achievement. Great teachers have high expectations, are passionate about the content they teach, continuously strive to improve their teaching, and enthusiastically model life-long learning.”

Oklahoma Teacher of the Year Message
“Teachers have an incredible, purpose-driven mission that merges the responsibility and power to shape the future in ways impossible to other professions. Changing education’s future is up to us!”