October 16, 2014

Dr. Janet Barresi
State Superintendent of Public Instruction
Oklahoma Department of Education
2500 N. Lincoln Boulevard
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Dear Superintendent Barresi:

Re: PASS Standards Certification

Pursuant to the provisions of H.B. 3399, faculty committees of subject matter experts in English language arts (ELA) and mathematics were assembled to review the high school Priority Academic Student Skills (PASS) standards for college and career readiness “as defined in the Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Flexibility document issued by the United States Department of Education and referenced in Option B of Principle 1: College and Career-Ready Expectations for All Students.”

I am pleased to report that the review has been completed, independently reviewed by Southern Regional Education Board consultants, and approved by the State Regents. In the enclosed report, please note the following:

- The English language arts (ELA) and mathematics PASS standards were reviewed by committees of higher education faculty who were recommended by the state system colleges and universities.
- Facilitators and consultants experienced in standards development and review assisted in this review process.
- The ELA and mathematics committees each unanimously determined that the PASS standards are college and career-ready, and that these PASS standards, if mastered, will prepare students for the first-year courses in English and mathematics without remediation.

Please do not hesitate to call me or Dr. Blake Sonobe, (405) 225-9175, if you have questions about this report.

Sincerely,

Glen D. Johnson
Chancellor
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Enclosure