

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education
FROM: Janet Barresi
DATE: January 31, 2013
SUBJECT: Achieving Classroom Excellence (ACE) Review Committee Recommendation-Approval Based on acceptance into selective University

On April 18th, 2012, Title 70 O.S. § 1210.523 E.1., was amended to read as follows:

70 O.S. § 1210.523

(E) (1) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules establishing an appeal process for students who have been denied a standard diploma by the school district in which the student is or was enrolled for failing to meet the requirements of this section. A student who has been denied a standard diploma by the school district in which the student is enrolled shall have thirty (30) days after denial of the standard diploma in which to file a petition for an appeal to the Board. The Board shall take action on a petition for an appeal no later than forty-five (45) days after receiving the petition.

Oklahoma Administrative Code 210: 10-13-16

(2) The State Board of Education shall appoint a committee consisting of employees of the State Department of Education to review the appeal and identify the basis for which the standard diploma was denied. The committee shall make a recommendation of action on the appeal to the State Board of Education based on the following criteria:

- (A) Completion and scores of end-of-instruction (EOI) exams;*
- (B) Remediation and retests of end-of-instruction (EOI) exams;*
- (C) Completion and scores of Alternate tests approved by the State Board of Education;*
- (D) Completion of End of Course Projects approved by the State Board of Education;*
- (E) Completion or scores of alternative methods approved by the State Board of Education;*
- (F) The existence of an extenuating circumstance, as defined in section (a) of this rule;*
- (G) The availability of testing opportunities;*
- (H) Other methods identified by the student, which demonstrate mastery of state academic content standards, referenced in section (b) of this rule, not to include completion of the course;*
- (I) The exhaustion of reasonable alternative methods and exemptions and exceptions approved by the State Board of Education, including the existence of extenuating circumstances; and*
- (J) Whether action is appropriate based on the statutory language of 70 O.S. § 1210.523.*

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(9). (e) The State Board of Education delegates authority to the reviewing committee appointed pursuant to section (d)(2) of this rule to approve the petition for appeal of students who have provided evidence of certain extenuating circumstances designated by the Board, including acceptance into a selective college or university as defined by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

The ACE Appeal Committee is recommending approval of the ACE appeal application of following student (s) based upon verified evidence of being accepted into a selective University contained in OAC 210:10-13-16 for granting an exception to ACE graduation requirements.

Sapulpa13-0002 Accepted to University of Central Oklahoma

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