



Application Procedure

Please refer to these procedures as you complete your application.

Responses must be typewritten. Completed applications must be **received** in the office of Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] by **5:00 p.m. on February 19, 2010**. Applications may be faxed or emailed if necessary and followed by delivery of originals; however, all letters of support must be included with faxed or emailed applications. Applications can be downloaded from www.aplusok.org as an interactive Word document or PDF file.

Part I Data Sheet:

This document provides baseline data for our researchers who document the A+ process. **The information on this page is not used to determine eligibility or to rank schools applying to become an A+ School.**

* Please note the request to attach a copy of the *Oklahoma School Accountability Data Report* with API Index.

Part II School Information:

This section has additional basic information about your school, its staff, student population and demographics and your school district.

Part III School Programming Information:

This section provides information to the selection committee about:

- current programming and philosophy in place at your school
- how and when it has been implemented
- how it is conducive to your school's membership in the Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] network.

Please request permission from your district for your school's participation in the research component.

Part IV School Commitment and Readiness:

This section identifies and clarifies the level of commitment from your school to join with the Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] network.

- Questions 1 through 3 establish that you understand the commitments of an A+ School and that you are willing to participate with and contribute to the network of A+ Schools.
- Questions 4 through 7 are designed to allow you to share your passion and vision, clarifying how A+ Schools can help you to achieve your goals.
- Questions 8 through 10 address the tangible school, district and community support in place for using the A+ Essentials[™] as a framework for your school.

Part V Attachments:

This section delineates the attachments to provide the selection committee with documentation of support for your involvement with Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] and gives your supporters an opportunity to tell why your school should be selected as an Oklahoma A+ School, emphasizing their experience with your school.

Part VI Signatures:

Please note that all signatures are required for acceptance of your application.

Decision

Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] is assisted by a selection committee made up of individuals representing Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] and the National A+ Schools Consortium.

The committee evaluates the following considerations:

- Leadership
- Passion for the project
- Evidence of collaboration
- Evidence of commitment
- Opportunity for the school
- Geographic location
- Representation of Oklahoma population
- Sense of community

Notification of schools is done by Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] staff.

The number of schools accepted is determined by the quality of the applications and the resources of Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] to continue support to its current schools and effectively meet the needs of additional schools added to the network.

Schools that are not accepted are encouraged to continue communication with Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] and to request assistance in applying in a future year.

For More Information

The staff of Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] is interested in helping schools apply to the network. **Please contact Rosalynn Wade, Program Director, with any questions at 405-974-3777.**

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