



OKLAHOMA PARENT LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE LEGISLATIVE GOALS 2020

STANDARDS, GOALS AND REVENUES FOR HIGH-QUALITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN EVERY COMMUNITY

- Attract and retain professionally trained, certified, high-quality teachers.
- Provide safe learning environments that address the well being of ALL children through dedicated counselors, collaboration with mental health providers and other agencies and policies that support families.
- Provide additional funding to lower class sizes in a targeted fashion as determined by each local school board, working toward levels required by HB1017.
- Support choice and innovation within each child's home district including extracurricular activities, the arts and athletics, virtual and blended learning, career development opportunities, AP or advanced coursework and concurrent enrollment.

EQUITY, TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- Protect the equitable distribution of financial resources to all public school districts.
- Identify a new revenue stream dedicated to the Oklahoma Building Equalization Fund and develop policies that would ensure distribution of the fund based on need.
- Develop a separate funding formula allocation for students enrolled in 100% virtual learning that more closely matches the actual costs.
- Tighten policies for virtual, blended and brick and mortar charter schools that protect taxpayer money from fraud and abuse and ensure greater transparency and accountability for academic achievement.
- Ensure greater transparency and accountability for Scholarship Granting Organizations and Educational Improvement Grant Organizations in the distribution and use of contributions.

ENHANCE STATE REVENUES TO ENSURE FISCAL HEALTH

- OKPLAC supports the collection of state revenue to provide vital services to our neighbors and communities, and therefore opposes expanding tax credit programs that effectively funnel taxpayer dollars out of the general revenue fund and into select private and public schools.